



Continuing Education Requirements for North Carolina Licensed Professional Counselors (And How to Stay on Track)

As a licensed clinical mental health counselor (LPC) in the state of North Carolina, it is your responsibility to adhere to continuing education requirements each period in order to renew your license. Beyond license renewal being key to you maintaining your practice, continuing education is essential to stay abreast of what is happening in your field – something your clients will always appreciate you taking seriously. Education is how we all continue to learn and further hone our skills and expertise, so it's certainly something to be celebrated. Though education is fantastic, keeping on track with the many hours you need to fulfill can be a challenge. Thankfully, there is a fantastic resource available to help you with that. Before we dive into the resource, let's start by outlining what is required of North Carolina LPCs in order to renew their license each year.

Licensee Requirements for North Carolina Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselors

Licensed clinical mental health counselors in North Carolina have an obligation to complete 40 hours of continuing education every two years, ahead of the June 30 expiration date in their renewal cycle. Within the required 40 hours, three of which need to be specifically on ethics in the field. In order for a training or course to be accepted, it must be offered by one of the following (or an affiliate or approved vendor through one of the organizations): American Counseling Association, National Board for Certified Counselors, American Association of State Counseling Boards, or the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification. Up to 15 hours can be earned through organizations outside of those previously mentioned, so long as they are included in the list in section two under "Approved Providers (Rules .0603 (c and d))" [here](#).

Key Takeaways:

- North Carolina LPCs are required to complete 40 hours of continuing education every two years.
- Licenses expire on June 30 in a licensee's renewal cycle.

Given licensed clinical mental health counselors are likely to achieve their continuing education certificates in increments, from various workshops, conventions, agencies, and institutions, there is a lot of documentation to keep track of (potentially 40 or more certificates throughout the course of two years). As proof is required if you are selected for an audit, it's imperative you keep all of those certificates in a safe place – easily accessible and easy to track your progress. CE Hub is the safe place you need to work through your continuing education with ease.

What is CE Hub?

CE Hub is an app built specifically for counselors. Recognizing the difficulty that is storing continuing education certificates and keeping track of your hours, CE Hub was created to take the stress out of continuing education requirements. Instead of worrying throughout the period that you may not be on track, or perhaps that you may have lost a document or two, CE Hub provides you the peace of mind you need to enjoy the learning process. Using the platform is simple: you sign up, upload your continuing education certificates as you obtain them, then CE Hub handles the rest. All of your continuing education credits are tracked for you, and you even receive a reminder when it's time to renew your license. Alleviate the stress of continuing education requirements by taking advantage of CE Hub today!

Disclaimer: this content is for informational purposes only. Licensees should always confirm their continuing education requirements with their respective governing agency. In the state of North Carolina, LPCs can clarify anything about their license by contacting the North Carolina Board of Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselors at the number (844) 622-3572 or by email at LCMHCinfo@ncblcmhc.org.

Reference Link: <https://www.ncblpc.org/Licensure/Current/Renewal>