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

As a licensed professional counselor (LPC) in the state of Oklahoma, 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 Oklahoma LPCs in order to renew their license every cycle.

Licensee Requirements for Oklahoma Licensed Professional Counselors

Licensed professional counselors in Oklahoma are required to renew their license every year before June 30. As part of a licensee's renewal application, they must include proof of completion of 20 hours of continuing education related to counseling. The required 20 hours should include at least three face-to-face hours in pre-approved counseling ethics education. Any hours a licensee obtained through online or self-study programs must also be pre-approved, up to the ten hour maximum for distance learning. To gain better insight into whether a particular course or program is fit for continuing education credit, review the details outlined in this state document. As a final note, approved LPC supervisors must also complete three, pre-approved, face-to-face hours of counseling supervision training.

Key Takeaways:

- LPCs in Oklahoma must complete 20 hours of continuing education annually.
- Licenses need to be renewed by the June 30 expiration date each year.
- At least three hours have to be on ethics, taken face-to-face.

Given licensed professional 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 20 or more certificates throughout the course of the year). As proof is required when you apply for renewal, 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!

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Reference Links:

https://www.ok.gov/behavioralhealth/Renewal_-_LPC_-_Annual.html

https://www.ok.gov/behavioralhealth/documents/C.E.%20APPROVAL%20-%20REQUIREMENTS.pdf