Continuing Education Requirements for South Dakota Marriage & Family Therapists (And How to Stay on Track)

As a licensed marriage and family therapist (MFT) in the state of South Dakota, 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 South Dakota MFTs in order to renew their license every cycle.

Licensee Requirements for South Dakota Marriage & Family Therapists

Marriage and family therapists in the state of South Dakota have a responsibility to renew their license every two years (on November 30 in even-numbered years). As a renewal requirement, licensees are expected to complete 40 hours of continuing education ahead of the November 30 license expiration date. Within the 40 hours required of South Dakota MFTs, at least four need to be on the topic of ethics in specific. Additionally, all 40 hours must be earned through approved continuing education programs, which can be found in point 20:71:06:25 here.

Key Takeaways:

- South Dakota MFTs must complete 40 hours of continuing education every two years.
- · Four hours need to be on ethics in the field.
- All 40 hours must be from approved sponsors or programs.
- Licenses expire on November 30 in even-numbered years.

Given marriage and family therapists 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 when you apply for renewal, and should be maintained for four years, 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 therapists. 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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