



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

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

Licensee Requirements for Tennessee Licensed Professional Counselors

Tennessee licensed professional counselors have the exact same continuing education requirements as their MFT colleagues. They must fulfill a requirement of 10 hours of continuing education annually if they wish to renew their license for another year. Should a licensee hold more than one license, they can expect their continuing education requirement to increase and the licensing period to change. If a licensee holds two licenses, they need to earn 30 hours of continuing education every two years. If they hold three, that increases to 40 hours every two years. Within the continuing education requirement, licensees are also expected to complete at least ten hours related specifically to their area of practice (professional counseling, as an example) as well as three hours in any of the following: professional ethics, the Official Compilation, Rules and Regulations of the State of Tennessee (Chapter 0450-2), or the Tennessee Code Annotated (Title 63, Chapter 22). As a final note, licensees are required to keep record of their continuing education certificates for at least four years, should they be selected for an audit.

Key Takeaways:

- **LPCs in Tennessee are required to complete 10 hours of continuing education annually.**
- **Three hours need to be on professional ethics or the Tennessee chapters listed previously.**
- **Ten hours must be specially related to their field.**

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 10 or more certificates throughout the course of the year). 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 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 Tennessee, LPCs can clarify anything about their license by contacting the Tennessee Department of Health via email at tn.health@tn.gov.

Reference Link:

<https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/pcmft-board/pcmft-board/continuing-education.html>