

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

As a licensed marriage and family therapist (MFT) in the state of Texas, 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 Texas MFTs in order to renew their license each year.

Licensee Requirements for Texas Marriage & Family Therapists

In the state of Texas, licensed marriage and family therapists must complete a total of 30 hours of continuing education every two years (within 60 days of their personal expiration date). Of the 30 hours required, six hours need to be specifically regarding ethics. As an additional requirement, licensees must also submit proof of their completion of the required human trafficking prevention course, of which approved trainings can be found <u>here</u>. Note: 5% of licenses are selected for an audit of continuing education certifications, so it's best to maintain your personal records for a couple of renewal periods.

Key Takeaways:

- Texas MFTs must fulfill the requirement of 30 continuing education hours every 24 months.
- Six of the hours must be on ethics, specifically, and proof of completion of a human trafficking prevention course is also required upon renewal.

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 30 or more certificates throughout the course of two years). 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 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!

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 Texas, MFTs can clarify anything about their license by contacting the Texas Behavioral Health Executive Counsel at the number (512) 305-7700.

Reference Link:

https://www.bhec.texas.gov/online-license-renewal-system/index.html