

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

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

Licensee Requirements for Virginia Marriage & Family Therapists

The continuing education requirements for Virginia marriage and family therapists are 20 hours annually, ahead of the June 30 renewal date. Of the required 20 hours, three hours of education must be in ethics, standards, or laws. There is no limit to how many of a licensee's continuing education hours can be earned online, so long as the course or program is Board approved. A list of sponsors approved by the Board can be found in point 20 <u>here</u>. Additionally, in point 19 of the same link, you can find a list of the recommended continuing education topic areas for MFTs.

Key Takeaways:

- Virginia MFTs need to complete 20 hours of continuing education annually.
- Licenses must be renewed on June 30.
- At least three hours need to be on ethics, laws, or standards.

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 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 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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Reference Link:

https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/counseling/counseling_faq.htm