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

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

Licensee Requirements for West Virginia Marriage & Family Therapists

Licensed marriage and family therapists in West Virginia must renew their license every year, but they only need to report their continuing education credits every two years. Within the two-year reporting period, licensees are expected to obtain 35 hours in continuing education. Of the required 35 hours, three must be in ethics (which is required to include training in AAMFT Code of Ethics) and another two hours need to be on mental health conditions common among veterans and veteran family members. The Board does allow up to 20 hours to be earned through online or home study programs, though all 35 hours need to be offered by an approved provider.

Key Takeaways:

- MFTs in West Virginia need to earn 35 hours of continuing education every two years.
- Three hours must be in ethics and two hours in veteran mental health conditions.

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 35 or more certificates throughout the course of the 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 West Virginia, MFTs can clarify anything about their license by contacting the West Virginia Board of Examiners in Counseling at the number (304) 558-5494.

Reference Links:

https://www.aamft.org/Advocacy/State_Resources/West%20Virginia.aspx

https://wvbec.org/contact/