

Massage Therapy Summary of Rules for License Renewal in Michigan

The following is an abbreviated version of the Administrative Code for Licensed Massage Therapists. The emphasis is on those who are renewing their licenses. If you are a student, please see the Code for details on your educational requirements. If your license has lapsed, please see R338.738, Admin Code page 8.

For License Renewals/Relicensure R338.739, pages 8-9

Beginning with the 2018 renewal cycle:

If you have been licensed for the 3 year period immediately preceding the expiration date, the following applies. (This does not apply to a licensee during initial licensure cycle, which is 1 year or less.)

If you renewed your license on November 1, 2018, and it expires on October 31, 2021.

You must accumulate no less than 18 hours of education in activities approved by the board during that 3 year time period. You must maintain documentation for at least 4 years after you apply for renewal (that would mean to keep your records until October 31, 2025.)

- If you are to renew on November 1, 2019, expiration will be October 31, 2022.
- If you are to renew on November 1, 2020, expiration will be October 31, 2023.
- And so on.....

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Limitations

Not more than 12 hours can be earned during a 24 hour period

Licensee cannot earn credit for a program or activity already earned *during that renewal period*.

Licensee cannot earn credit for program or activity with primary focus on practices excluded from license (ex: reflexology, shiatsu, etc.)

Requirements

At least 1 hour in Pain and Symptom Management

At least 2 hours in Professional Ethics or Boundaries

Acceptable courses

Pages 9-13 provide 14 specific examples of what is allowed as approved Continuing Education

*NOTE: CPR (up to 4 hours) can be included in the 18 hours. It is NOT a requirement.

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Training Standards for Human Trafficking R 338.732, pages 5 & 6 of Admin Code

All LMTs are required to take a 1 time Human Trafficking Course.

These requirements are in effect for all license renewals beginning with the 2017 renewal cycle and for initial licenses issued after March 14, 2011.

Content:

- Understanding types and venues of human trafficking
- Identifying victims of HT in health care settings
- Identifying warning signs of HT in health care settings for adults and minors
- Identifying resources for reporting the suspected victims of HT

Acceptable providers or methods of training (any of the following):

- Training offered by nationally recognized or state-recognized health-related organization
- Training offered by, or in conjunction with, a state or federal agency
- Training obtained in an educational program approved by board for initial licensure, or by a college or university
- Reading an article related to identification of victims of HT that meets requirements above and is published in a peer review journal, health care journal, or professional or scientific journal

Acceptable modalities of training (any of the following):

- Teleconference or webinar
- Online presentation
- Live presentation
- Printed or electronic media

Please see Admin Code for details on completion certificates.