

## Counseling Licensure Requirements: Tennessee

Licensed Professional Counseling	Marriage and Family Therapy
<p><b>Educational Requirement:</b> <b>LPC/MHSP</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In addition to, or as part of the graduate degree – completion of 9 graduate semester hours of coursework related to diagnosis, treatment, appraisal, and assessment of mental disorders.</li> </ul> <p><b>LPC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>60 graduate semester hours in professional counseling or a related field from an institution accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges &amp; Schools, CACREP, or a comparable accrediting body, which includes a master's degree in professional counseling and a supervised 500 hour practicum or internship (300 hours of which must be completed in a clinical setting).</li> </ul> <p><b>Experiential Requirements:</b> <b>LPC/MHSP</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 years of post-master's professional experience consisting of 3,000 hours of direct clinical experience (not less than 10 hours per week) 1,500 hours have to be direct client contact and 1,500 hours need to be clinically based. Must have 150 hours of supervision</li> </ul> <p><b>LPC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 years of post-master's professional experience consisting of 3,000 hours of direct clinical experience (not less than 10 hours per week)</li> <li>*As of January 31, 2013, Supervisors had to be licensed for 5 years, conform to section F of the <i>ACA Code of Ethics</i>, and have at least 12 clock hours of supervision training</li> </ul> <p><b>Exam Required:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>LPC/MHSP NCE NCMHCE, and TN Jurisprudence Exam LPC NCE and the TN Jurisprudence Exam</b></li> </ul> <p><b>WEBSITE:</b> <a href="http://tennessee.gov/health/topic/pcmft-board">http://tennessee.gov/health/topic/pcmft-board</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete a master's degree</li> <li>Accumulate 1000 hours of work experience and 200 hours of supervision</li> <li>Pass a written examination by the Association of Marital and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards</li> <li>Pass a state administered oral exam</li> <li><a href="http://tennessee.gov/health/topic/pcmft-board">http://tennessee.gov/health/topic/pcmft-board</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>State of Tennessee Dept. of Health Bureau of Related Boards</b> 665 Mainstream Dr., Nashville, TN 37243 615/532-5088 615/532-5369 (fax) <b>Executive Director:</b> Teddy Wilkins <b>CONTACT:</b> <a href="mailto:James.a.hill@tn.gov">James.a.hill@tn.gov</a> <b>LPC with/without MHSP designation: \$200</b> <b>MHSP Upgrade fee: \$85</b> <b>Temporary License: \$150</b> <b>State Registration fee: \$10</b> <b>Background Fingerprint Check: \$56</b></p>	<p><b>Tennessee Board of Professional Counselors and Marital and Family Therapists</b> 665 Mainstream Dr. Second Floor Nashville, TN 37243 <b>Phone:</b> (615) 532-3202 <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:tn.health@tn.gov">tn.health@tn.gov</a> <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://tn.gov/health/topic/pcmft-board">tn.gov/health/topic/pcmft-board</a> <b>License Categories:</b> Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist</p>