Counseling Licensure Requirements: West Virginia

Licensed Professional Counseling	Marriage and Family Therapy
Educational Requirement: **LMHC/LMHCA** • Master's degree or higher from a program accredited by CACREP or CORE, or a comparable accrediting body, that includes 60 graduate semester hours (or 90 quarter hours) and a practicum and internship. • Acceptable graduate degrees include a specialization in community agency counseling, mental health counseling, pastoral counseling, rehabilitation counseling, school counseling, and substance abuse or addictions counseling. • Similar degrees that include the word "counseling" and include specific coursework, and are determined by the board to be a closely related field, are also acceptable. **Experiential Requirements:** **LMHC** • Must already possess provisional license • 2 years/3,000 hours of postmaster's Supervised professional counseling experience. • If obtained a doctoral degree: 1 year/1,500 hours of postdegree supervised professional counseling experience. • At least 50% of the supervised counseling experience must be in the direct provision of counseling services to clients. • A minimum of 1 hour of direct individual supervision is required for every 20 hours of practice. • Supervision must be under a board approved professional. **Exam Required:** NCE, CRCE,or NCMHCE **WEBSITE:** www.wvbec.org	• Earn a graduate degree • Complete 3000 hours of supervised work experience • Take the marriage and family examination • http://www.wvbec.org/images/Series_8_MFT_Licensure_-July_1,_2010.pdf http://www.wvbec.org/
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