

MICHIGAN CHIROPRACTIC LICENSING GUIDE

OVERVIEW:

The chiropractor license type allows a licensee to engage in the practice of chiropractic.

NOTE: The content contained below is a general overview of licensing requirements. Links to access the Public Health Code and Administrative Rules for this profession can be found at the end of this guide.

LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

(Listed below are the minimum requirements needed to obtain a chiropractic license.)

APPLICATION AND FEES

- ☐ Online Application For a Michigan Chiropractor License - Complete all fields, answer all questions, and upload any supporting documentation. Online application can be completed by visiting www.michigan.gov/miplus.
- ☐ Application Fee (Must be paid by Visa, Mastercard, Discover, or American Express credit or debit card.):
 - Chiropractor – By Endorsement – \$237.10
 - Chiropractor – By Exam – \$237.10
 - Chiropractor – Relicensure – \$257.10

THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO ALL APPLICANTS (EXCEPT RENEWAL)

- ☐ Criminal Background Check – Once the online application is completed and submitted you will be emailed an Application Confirmation letter containing instructions to complete the Criminal Background Check (except those applicants seeking relicensure, if the license expired within the last three years).
- ☐ Good Moral Character Questions – Documentation will be required if you answer “yes” to either question to show at the current time you have the ability to, and are likely to, serve the public in a fair, honest and open manner, that you are rehabilitated, or that the substance of the former offense is not reasonably related to the occupation or profession for which you are seeking a license.
- ☐ Human Trafficking – Individuals seeking licensure must have completed training in identifying victims of human trafficking that meets the standards in Administrative Rule 338.12031 prior to being issued a license. The training must only be completed one time.
- ☐ Implicit Bias Training – Individuals seeking licensure must have completed a minimum of 2 hours of implicit bias training within the 5 years immediately preceding issuance of the license as established by the department in R 338.7004 of the Public Health Code – General Rules.

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- ☐ Social Security Number – An individual applying for licensure is required to provide his or her social security number at the time of application. If exempt under law from obtaining an SSN or do not have an SSN, the SSN affidavit form will be required to be uploaded at the time the application is submitted.
- ☐ Verification of Licensure – Verification of licensure must be sent directly to our office by the licensing agency of any state of the United States or country in which you hold or ever held a license. The verification must show that disciplinary proceedings are not pending against the applicant, and sanctions are not in force at the time of application. Verification can be emailed to bpldata@michigan.gov or mailed to the Bureau of Professional Licensing, PO Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.
- ☐ English Language Proficiency – An individual applying for licensure must demonstrate a working knowledge of the English language. This can be established if either the applicant's required health professional educational program was taught in English, a transcript establishes the applicant earned not less than 60 college level credits from an English-speaking graduate or undergraduate school, or that the applicant obtained a passing score on an approved English proficiency exam as established by the department under [R 338.7002b\(2\)](#) of the Public Health Code – General Rules.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE BY EXAM **(These are in addition to the requirements stated above that apply to ALL applicants)**

- ☐ Official final transcripts confirming having received a degree in chiropractic submitted directly to this office from a chiropractic educational program accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE).
- ☐ Certification of your examination scores submitted directly to this office from the examination agency. Contact the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) to have the results of Parts I, II, III and IV of the national board examination sent directly to this office. Contact the NBCE at www.nbce.org.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT **(These are in addition to the requirements stated above that apply to ALL applicants)**

All applicants:

- ☐ Applicants for licensure by endorsement must hold a current and full chiropractic license in another state or in a province of Canada.

Applicants for licensure by endorsement who have been licensed in another state of the United States for less than 5 years immediately preceding the date of application must submit the following:

- ☐ Certification of your examination scores submitted directly to this office from the examination agency. Contact the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) to have the results of Parts I, II, III and IV of the national board examination sent directly to this office. Contact the NBCE at www.nbce.org.

Applicants for licensure by endorsement who have been licensed in a province of Canada for less than 5 years immediately preceding the date of application must submit the following:

- ☐ Verification of the completion of the educational requirements for a chiropractic license in a province of Canada or the United States to obtain licensure as a chiropractor in a province of Canada or the United

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States. Verification can be emailed to bpldata@michigan.gov or mailed to the Bureau of Professional Licensing, PO Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.

- ☐ Certification of either of the following examination scores submitted directly to this office from the examination agency:
 - Contact the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) to have the results of Parts I, II, III and IV of the national board examination sent directly to this office. Contact the NBCE at www.nbce.org.
 - Contact the Canadian Chiropractic Examining Board (CCEB) to have the results of Component A, Component B, and Component C of the examination sent directly to this office. Contact the CCEB at <https://cceb.ca/>.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THOSE APPLYING FOR RELICENSURE (These are in addition to the requirements stated above that apply to ALL applicants)

- ☐ Online application can be completed by visiting www.michigan.gov/miplus, select **MiPLUS Login**, select **“Modification”** next to your license number and then select **“Relicensure.”**

Applicants for relicensure whose license has lapsed for less than 3 years preceding the date of application must complete the following:

- ☐ Submit proof of completing 45 hours of board-approved continuing education within the three years immediately preceding the date of this application. At least 1 hour in pain and symptom management; 1 hour in sexual boundaries; 1 hour in ethics; and not less than 2 hours in physical measures. Not more than 20 continuing education hours in distance learning programs.

Applicants for relicensure whose license has lapsed for 3 years or more preceding the date of application must complete the following:

- ☐ Satisfy either of the following:
 - ☐ Submit proof of completing 45 hours of board-approved continuing education within the three years immediately preceding the date of this application, which includes the following: 24 live and in-person continuing education hours on chiropractic adjusting techniques. At least 1 hour in pain and symptom management; 1 hour in sexual boundaries; 1 hour in ethics; and not less than 2 hours in physical measures. Not more than 20 continuing education hours in distance learning programs.
- OR**
- ☐ Submit verification that you have held a valid and unrestricted license to practice chiropractic in another state or a province of Canada in the 3-year period immediately preceding the application for relicensure.

RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

- ☐ Online Application For a Chiropractic Renewal – Can be completed by visiting www.michigan.gov/miplus.

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- ☐ Renewal Application Fee (Must be paid by Visa, Mastercard, Discover, or American Express credit or debit card.):
 - ☐ Chiropractor Renewal Application Fee: \$209.60
 - ☐ Renewal Cycle: 2 years
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- ☐ Good Moral Character Questions – Documentation will be required if you answer “yes” to either question to show at the current time you have the ability to, and are likely to, serve the public in a fair, honest and open manner, that you are rehabilitated, or that the substance of the former offense is not reasonably related to the occupation or profession for which you are seeking license renewal.
 - ☐ Disciplinary Question – Documentation will be required if you answer “yes” to having sanctions imposed against you by a similar licensure, registration, certification, or disciplinary board of another state or country you have not previously reported to the department.
 - ☐ Human Trafficking – Licensees seeking renewal must have completed training in identifying victims of human trafficking that meets the standards in Administrative Rule 338.12031 prior to renewing their license. The training must only be completed one time.
 - ☐ Implicit Bias Training – Licensees seeking renewal must have completed a minimum of 1 hour of implicit bias training for each year of the applicant’s license cycle.
 - ☐ Accept Renewal Attestation - By accepting the renewal attestation you as the licensee are certifying that you have met the following continuing education requirements during the 2-year period immediately preceding the application for renewal.
 - ☐ 30 hours of continuing education as outlined in Rule 338.12041 approved by the board earned as follows:
 - No more than 12 credit hours of continuing education may be earned during one 24-hour period.
 - At least 1 hour of continuing education must be in pain and symptom management.
 - At least 1 hour of continuing education must be in sexual boundaries.
 - At least 1 hour of continuing education must be in ethics.
 - Not less than 2 hours of continuing education must be in physical measures.
 - Not less than 10 hours of continuing education must be completed by attending a live, in-person program.
 - ☐ Additional information regarding continuing education can be found by accessing the Chiropractic Administrative Rules at www.michigan.gov/healthlicense and clicking on the chiropractic link.

HELPFUL RESOURCES AND FORMS

- ☐ By visiting www.michigan.gov/healthlicense and clicking on the chiropractic link you can access the following helpful resources and forms.

Resources:

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- [Michigan Public Health Code](#)
 - [Chiropractic Administrative Rules](#)
- ☐ Track continuing education using CE Broker - The Bureau of Professional Licensing (BPL) has partnered with CE Broker to help licensed professionals keep track of their continuing education (CE) credits. Additional information can be found on our [website](#).