Bureau of Professional Licensing
Psychology FAQ

1. How long are Psychologist licenses valid?

An initial Psychologist license is good until the next license expiration date of the profession (period ranging from 4 months to 1 year). After the first renewal, the license will be valid for 2 years. You will receive renewal information 45-60 days prior to the expiration date of your license and it will state the renewal fee required.

2. Can I renew my license early? How will I know when it's time to renew my license?

You cannot renew your license early. Our system is not set up to receive renewal information until the renewal time for your profession. We will send your renewal notice approximately 45-60 days before the expiration date of your current license. Remember to notify the Department in writing of any recent address changes. It is your responsibility to renew your license on time. Failure to notify us of an address change does not exempt you from renewing your license on time. You can renew online at: www.michigan.gov/elicense. Online renewal payments require you to pay with a valid credit card or an e-check. There is a 10-day hold placed on all e-check payments.

3. When do I need to complete the new CE requirements for License renewal?

Applications for renewal or relicensure must meet the requirements of R 338.2581 and R 338.2583. R 338.2581(1), "applies to applications . . . that are filed for the renewal cycle beginning 1 year or more after the effective date of the rules [Sept. 15, 2015]." The CE required by R 338.2581 is not required for renewal or relicensure applications until the end of a renewal cycle that begins after Sept. 15, 2016. This means the CE will not be required for renewal or relicensure applications until the end of the renewal cycle that starts September 1, 2017. To summarize: For those licensees that renew in odd numbered years, the first time CE will be due is in 2019. For licensees who renew in even numbered years, the first time CE will be due is in 2020.
4. Since the new rules requiring CE went into effect in September of 2015, should I start accumulating CE credits now? Can CE credits be carried over to a subsequent renewal application?

The Bureau, while not discouraging any licensee from obtaining the benefits of continuing education, cannot require CE as a condition for renewal until September, 2019. In order for CE credit to count toward renewal, it must be obtained “during the 2 years immediately preceding application for renewal . . . .” MCL 333.18233(1). Also see R 338.2581(2) of the Psychology – General Rules. These regulations prohibit CE credits from being carried over to a subsequent renewal application.

5. What is the difference between the various Psychology licenses?

All Psychology licenses require a transcript from the Masters or Doctoral program they completed, and a criminal background check.

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6. How do I file a complaint against a health care professional?

Information on how to File an Allegation Against a Health Care Licensee can be located on the Bureau of Professional Licensing’s website at [www.michigan.gov/bpl](http://www.michigan.gov/bpl).
7. Where can I find a copy of the administrative rules pertaining to Psychologists? 
   You may view the current Administrative Rules and proposed revisions on the Bureau of 
   Professional Licensing’s website at www.michigan.gov/bpl.