



MICHIGAN SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST EDUCATIONAL LIMITED TEMPORARY LICENSING GUIDE

OVERVIEW:

The speech language pathologist educational limited temporary license type allows a licensee to engage in the practice of speech and language therapy, under the supervision of a fully licensed SLP and is intended for the purpose of gaining post-graduate clinical experience required for full licensure.

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

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LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

APPLICATION AND FEES

- Online Application for a Speech Language Pathologist Educational Limited Temporary License - Complete all fields, answer all questions, and upload any supporting documentation.
Online applications can be completed by visiting www.michigan.gov/miplus
Application Fee (Must be paid by Visa, Mastercard, American Express, or Discover credit or debit card):

Speech Language Pathologist Educational Limited Temporary: \$187.40 (Valid for 2 years from date of issuance)

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THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO ALL APPLICANTS

- 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 and explanation 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 – Beginning March 16, 2021, individuals seeking licensure must have completed training in identifying victims of human trafficking that meets the standards in Administrative Rule 338.604 prior to being issued a license. The training must only be completed one time.
- 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.
- 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.
- Implicit Bias Training– Beginning June 1, 2022, completion of 2 hours of implicit bias training within the 5 years immediately preceding issuance of the license or registration is required.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE

(These are in addition to the requirements stated above that apply to ALL applicants)

- Professional Education – Name of School Attended and Name of Educational Program Completed
- Final, Official Transcripts – Transcripts must be submitted directly to our office from the school attended and meet the standards set forth by the Board. Transcripts can be emailed to bpldata@michigan.gov or mailed to the Bureau of Professional Licensing, PO Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.
- Certificate of Appointment to Clinical Experience form verifying you will obtain 9 months (1,260 hours) of supervised post-graduate experience. That form can be emailed to bpldata@michigan.gov or mailed to the Bureau of Professional Licensing, PO Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.

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ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR FOREIGN EDUCATED OR TRAINED APPLICANTS WHO RECEIVED EDUCATION OR TRAINING OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES (These are in addition to the requirements stated above that apply to ALL applicants)

- Professional Education – Name of School Attended and Name of Educational Program Completed
- Final, Official Transcripts – Transcripts must be submitted directly to our office from the school attended and meet the standards set forth by the Board. Transcripts can be emailed to bpldata@michigan.gov or mailed to the Bureau of Professional Licensing, PO Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.
 - If the education was taught in a non-accredited postsecondary institution, in place of a transcript from your educational institution, you must submit a full course-by-course credential evaluation of your Speech-Language Pathology education certified by a credentialing agency accredited by NACES. A list of approved credentialing agencies may be found on their website at www.naces.org.
- Certificate of Appointment to Clinical Experience form verifying you will obtain 9 months (1,260 hours) of supervised post-graduate experience. That form can be emailed to bpldata@michigan.gov or mailed to the Bureau of Professional Licensing, PO Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.

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 and selecting **MiPLUS Login**. Once logged in, select “**Modification**” next to your license number and then select “**Relicensure**,” this will start the relicensure process.
- Speech Language Educational Limited Temporary Relicensure Application and Fee: \$124.70 (Must be paid by Visa, Mastercard, American Express or Discover credit or debit card)

You may relicensure 1 time if you have not previously renewed.

RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

- Online Application For Speech Language Pathologist Educational Limited Temporary License Renewal – Must be completed by visiting www.michigan.gov/miplus no sooner than 90 days prior to the expiration date of current license.
- Speech Language Pathologist Educational Limited Temporary License Renewal Application Fee: \$82.70 (Must be paid by Visa, Mastercard, American Express or Discover credit or debit card)
- Renewal Cycle: 1 year (may renew 1 time if you have not previously applied for relicensure)

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- Good Moral Character Questions – Documentation and explanation 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 certify on their renewal application that prior to renewing their license they have completed a one-time training in identifying victims of human trafficking that meets the standards in Administrative Rule 338.604.
- Implicit Bias Training – Completion of 2 hours of implicit bias training is required for renewal.

HELPFUL RESOURCES AND FORMS

- By visiting www.michigan.gov/healthlicense and clicking on the speech language pathology link you can access the following helpful resources and forms:

Resources:

- [Public Health Code](#)
- [Administrative Rules for Speech Language Pathology](#)

Form:

- [Certification of Appointment to Clinical Experience Form](#)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- 1. How long are Speech-Language Pathology Educational Limited Temporary licenses valid? Can I renew my license early? How will I know when I need to renew?**

Your initial Speech-Language Pathology Educational Limited Temporary license is valid for 2 years. **The renewal is valid for 1 year.**

Renewal begins 90 days prior to the expiration date of your current license.

Renewal notifications are mailed and emailed to the mailing and email addresses on record 90 days prior to the expiration date of the license. Remember to notify the Department in writing of any address change. It is a licensee’s responsibility to renew his or her license on time. Failure to receive the renewal notification, or to notify the Department of an address change, does not exempt a licensee from renewing their license on time.

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You can renew online by logging into your MiPLUS account at www.michigan.gov/miplus. You may pay your renewal fee by using a debit or credit card containing a Discover, MasterCard, Visa or American Express logo.

2. What do I need to submit for my Speech-Language Pathology Educational Limited Temporary License (aka, clinical fellowship year)? How long can I hold this license?

You will need to submit your application and fee, arrange to have your educational institution send your final official transcripts, and have your supervisor complete and submit the Certificate of Appointment to Clinic Experience form. This license is issued for one 2-year period and can be renewed one time for an additional year.

3. Can I work without supervision with an Educational Limited Temporary License?

No. If you hold an Educational Limited Temporary License, then you are required to be supervised.

The Public Health Code, specifically MCL 333.17609(4), provides that a temporary license may be issued to allow an individual to engage in postgraduate education. Additionally, R 338.613 provides that an applicant may be issued an educational limited temporary license to obtain the required supervised postgraduate clinical experience. Educational limited temporary licenses are only for those whose education did not include 9 months of supervised clinical experience. R 338.615 provides that supervised postgraduate clinical experience must consist of 1,260 hours with at least 1,008 hours consisting of clinical contact, with supervision to occur under a full speech-language pathologist with no past or pending disciplinary actions. Postgraduate clinical experience may be obtained on a full- or part-time basis.

4. 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.