

## MICHIGAN LIMITED SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST LICENSING GUIDE

### OVERVIEW:

The limited speech language pathology license type allows a licensee to engage in the practice of speech and language therapy, while working in a school setting only.

*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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## RELICENSURE REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

- Application Fee (Must be paid by Visa, Mastercard, American Express, or Discover credit or debit card):  
 Limited Relicensure (**Certified Teacher Only**): \$207.40  
 \*Relicensure is only available up to 3 years after lapsing.
- Online application can be completed by visiting [www.michigan.gov/miplus](http://www.michigan.gov/miplus). Once logged in, select **Licenses**, select “**Modification**” next to your license number and then select “**Relicensure**.”
- 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 – 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.
- Verification of Licensure – Verification of licensure must be submitted 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

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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](mailto:bpldata@michigan.gov) or mailed to the Bureau of Professional Licensing, PO Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.

- 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.
- Proof of 20 hours of continuing professional development courses is required to be submitted, including 1 hour in pain and/or symptom management.
- The applicant must establish that he or she is a certified teacher whose teaching certificate was endorsed on January 12, 2009, as provided under section 17609(2) of the code, MCL 333.17609, in the area of speech and language impairment for the sole purpose of providing services as a part of employment or contract with a school district, intermediate school district, nonpublic school, or state department that provides educational services.

## RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

- Online Application for a Limited Speech Language Pathologist License Renewal – Must be completed by visiting [www.michigan.gov/miplus](http://www.michigan.gov/miplus) no sooner than 90 days prior to the expiration date of current license.
- Limited Speech Language Pathologist License Renewal Application Fee: \$185.00 (Must be paid by Visa, Mastercard, American Express or Discover credit or debit card)
- Renewal Cycle: 2 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 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 Training – 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 338.13002.
- Implicit Bias Training – Licensees and registrants are required to complete 1 hour of implicit bias training for each year of their license or registration cycle. Please note, this is not a one-time training and must be completed for each renewal cycle prior to the renewal being completed.
- Accept Renewal Attestation - By accepting the renewal attestation you as the licensee are certifying that you have met all of the following continuing education requirements during the 2-year period immediately preceding the application for renewal:

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- Proof of 20 hours of continuing professional development courses are required to be submitted, including 1 hour in pain and/or symptom management.

## HELPFUL RESOURCES AND FORMS

- By visiting [www.michigan.gov/healthlicense](http://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(s):

- [Verification of Employment in a Educational Setting Form](#)

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### 1. How long are Speech-Language Pathologist Limited licenses valid? Can I renew my license early? How will I know when I need to renew?

Renewals will be valid for 2 years.

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.

You can renew online by logging into your MiPLUS account at [www.michigan.gov/miplus](http://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. Who has limited Speech-Language Pathology licenses?

Applicants who held a teaching certificate that was endorsed in speech and language impairment on January 12, 2009 were issued limited licenses. The purpose for such licenses was to provide speech-language impairment services as part of an employment or contract with a school district, nonpublic school, or state department that provided educational services. These limited licenses will not be reissued if a licensee allows this limited license to lapse 3 or more years – a licensee will be required to apply for a full license. These limited licenses were only issued until December 7, 2013, and no exception to obtain a limited license applies. These licensees do not require supervision nor are they allowed to supervise educational limited licensees.

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

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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).