

LMSW- Licensed Master Social Worker

Qualifications

- Master's Degree or higher in Social Work
- Pass licensing examination
- Shall only engage in the practice of clinical social work (psychotherapy) under direct supervision

Application

- Application fee: \$250.00 (non-refundable)
- License Issuance fee: \$100.00 (Note: You are not to pay the License Issuance fee at the time that you submit your LBSW application. The issuance fee is paid upon notification by the BBHE)
- Typically it may take 90 days to process a complete application for licensure. If the application has deficiencies, it could take longer.

Methods for applying

- Regular License
 1. Forms
 2. Transcripts
 3. Fees
 4. Background check
 5. Residency
 6. Receive approval to take test
 7. Take test ASAP

Option Two

- Temporary License
 1. Regular license application as state 1-7 steps plus
 2. Application for a temporary license

Criteria for Temporary License

- You must have already submitted an application for a regular license by endorsement to be eligible for a temporary license

You must either

- Be currently licensed or certified by another state behavioral health regulatory entity (\$50- In general this license is good for 12 months) OR
- **Submit an application within 12 months of graduation from the education program submitted to meet licensure requirements and be approved for licensure requirements and be approved for licensure pending passage of the required exam. You are not eligible under this section if you have previously taken and failed to pass the required exam. (Fee \$50- Must take the test in 120 days of being licensed)**