

LICENSURE INFORMATION FOR NORTH CAROLINA

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CLINICAL PRACTITIONERS IN NORTH CAROLINA WHO RECEIVE DEGREES IN PSYCHOLOGY MAY PRACTICE UNDER ONE OF THREE LICENSES:

- **LICENSED PSYCHOLOGIST:**

Minimum Education:

A Doctoral degree in Psychology. Board sets specific requirements for the course content, field experiences, faculty qualifications, and program identity. To provide health services, i.e., preventive, assessment, or therapeutic interventions, the psychologists must be certified by the Board as a Health Service Provider Psychologist.

Experience:

At least two years of supervised professional experience germane to training and intended area of practice, at least one of which must be post-doctoral.

Exam:

National Psychology Licensure Exam, passed at the Doctoral level, North Carolina Licensing Exam.

- **LICENSED PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATE:**

Minimum Education:

Master's or Specialist degree in Psychology. Board sets specific requirements for the course content, field experiences, faculty qualifications, and program identity. To provide health services, i.e., preventive, assessment, or therapeutic interventions, the psychologists must be certified by the Board as a Health Service Provider Psychological Associate.

Experience:

None specified beyond what is necessary for the Master's degree. Continuing supervision by a Licensed Psychologist required for most activities except psycho educational assessment.

Exam:

National Psychology Licensure Exam, passed at the Master's level; North Carolina Licensing Exam.

- **LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR:**

Minimum Education:

Master's degree in Counseling including a minimum of 48 semester hours or a graduate degree in a related field supplemented with courses the Board determines to be equivalent.

Experience:

No less than 2 years of Master's or Post-Master's Counseling experience, or both, in a professional setting including a minimum of 2000 hours of supervised professional practice, 100 of which must be face-to-face supervision by a Board approved supervisor.

Exam:

National Counselor's Exam