



# Alabama Board of Examiners in Counseling

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## ACCEPTABLE CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR LICENSURE RENEWAL

1. Acceptable professional development activities for continuing education must reflect provider documentation from one of the following:
  - a. the National Board for Certified Counselors, Inc. (NBCC)
  - b. the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)
  - c. an approved organization or institution as listed in #2 of this documentand must be training in the professional field of counseling as required by ABEC regulation 255-X-2-.18.
  
2. In addition to professional development activities with provider documentation from NBCC or CRCC, activities provided and sponsored by the following organizations or institutions are also acceptable continuing education events:
  - Any Peer State *Counseling* Licensure Board/Department
  - American Counseling Association and any of its national divisions
  - American Psychological Association and any of its national divisions
  - American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy
  - Association of Marital and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards
  - National Association of Social Workers
  - Association of Social Work Boards
  - National Association of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Counselors
  - American Association of State Counseling Boards
  - American School Counselor Association
  - Association for Play Therapy
  - American Art Therapy Association
  - Association for Humanistic Psychology
  - The Association for Integrative Psychology
  - National Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers
  - American Society of Clinical Hypnosis
  - EMDR International Association



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- Alabama Counseling Association and any of its state divisions or chapters
  - Social Work Board of Alabama
  - State of Alabama Department of Mental Health
  - Any program accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP)
3. The Board does not accept continuing education events that are not approved by NBCC or CRCC, or provided and sponsored by one of the organizations or institutions listed above.
4. Licenses seeking renewal for licensure are responsible for securing documentation to verify the event is/was approved by NBCC or CRCC, or provided and sponsored by one of the organizations or institutions listed above.
5. All certificates of completion/verification of attendance must contain: licensee's name, name of workshop/seminar/training, name of providing/sponsoring entity (with NBCC ACEP provider number if available), dates of the activity, and number of contact hours granted.
6. The ABEC Administrative Code requirement for continuing education in ethics specifies such activities **must** be “devoted to ethical concerns for practice, assessment, supervision, or research **in counseling**.” This policy does not alter the continuing education requirement for ethics in counseling.
- a. Ethics continuing education hours should be clearly identified as such.
  - b. Continuing education activities concerning ethics for disciplines other than counseling are not acceptable for this requirement.