



STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY RENEWAL GUIDE

Instructions to Renew:

Renewals are available 60 days prior to the license expiration date. You will receive an email notification from PALS when your renewal is available. There are no paper renewal applications. Renewal applications must be submitted on www.pals.pa.gov.

MASSAGE THERAPISTS – License Expiration on January 31, 2023

HELPFUL INFORMATION

- ▲ Users can visit the Support Tab to [Contact the Board](#) or for answers to [Frequently asked Questions](#) by clicking on *Support* located in the blue bar on the PALS website.
- ▲ Renewal fee is \$175.00
- ▲ Current CPR certification from an acceptable provider is required for renewal. Refer to the Board's website for a [list of acceptable CPR providers](#). ****Online CPR is not acceptable**** Do not upload your certificate to your online application.

CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR RENEWAL

- ▲ 24 hours of continuing education. Click [here](#) to review the Board's regulations for continuing education content and providers.
 - A minimum of 4 hours must be earned in professional ethics
 - A minimum of 16 hours must be earned through contact hours (live - in person).
 - A minimum of 2 hours must be earned in child abuse recognition and reporting training from an approved provider. The list of approved providers can be found [here](#). Do not upload your certificate of completion to your online application. Verification of course completion must be received electronically [from the course provider](#).
 - Please note: Licensees who have been issued an initial license during the current biennium (February 1, 2021, through January 31, 2023) will be exempt from the 24-hour continuing education requirement for licensure renewal in January 2023, with the exception of the 2 hours of Act 31 Mandated Child Abuse Reporter Training (**all licensees must complete at least 2 hours of child abuse recognition and reporting training from an approved provider**). You may not use the same course you used for initial licensure.
 - Do not upload your continuing education certificates to your online renewal application. You are required to retain the certificates of completion from continuing education courses for a minimum of 5 years. Following the renewal period, you may be audited to ensure your compliance with the continuing education requirements. Only if you are audited will you be required to provide proof of compliance with the continuing education requirements.