

Commonly Used LICENSURE COMPACT TERMS

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TERMS	ASLP-IC	Counseling Compact	IMLC	NLC	PSYPACT	PT Compact
Applicant	An individual who is seeking licensure to practice audiology or speechlanguage pathology across member states.	An individual who is seeking licensure to practice as a counselor within a member state.	A physician who seeks expedited licensure through the Compact.	An individual who is seeking licensure to practice as a nurse within a member state.	An individual licensed to practice psychology by a member state who: • Seeks to obtain an (IPC) from the (ASPPB) and applies for a (TAP) from the PSYPACT Commission; or • Seeks to obtain an E. Passport from the ASPPB and applies for an Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology (APIT) from the PSYPACT Commission.	An individual who is seeking licensure to practice as a physical therapist within a member state.

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Privilege to Practice	The legal authorization to practice audiology or speech- language pathology in a remote state.	A legal authorization, which is equivalent to a license, permitting the practice of professional counseling in a remote state.	Not applicable	A legal authorization associated with a multistate license (MSL) that permits the practice of nursing as either an registered nurse and licensed practical nurse/vocational nurse in a remote state, including via telehealth. This is also known as a multistate licensure privilege.	Not applicable	Not applicable
Compact Privilege	The authorization granted by a remote state to allow a licensee from another member state to practice as an audiologist or speech-language pathologist in the remote state under its rules and regulations. The practice of audiology or speech-language pathology occurs in the member state where the patient, client, or student is located at the time the services are provided.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	The authorization granted by a remote state to allow a licensee from another member state to practice as a physical therapist or work as a physical therapist assistant in the remote state under its laws and rules.

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Compact State	Any state that has enacted legislation to join the Compact, thereby agreeing to adhere to the rules and regulations established by the Compact.	Any state that has enacted legislation to join the Compact, thereby agreeing to adhere to the rules and regulations established by the Compact.	Any state that has enacted legislation to join the Compact, thereby agreeing to adhere to the rules and regulations established by the Compact.	Any state that has enacted legislation to join the Compact, thereby agreeing to adhere to the rules and regulations established by the Compact.	A state, the District of Columbia, or a United States territory that has enacted this Compact legislation and that has not withdrawn pursuant to subsection (3) of Article XIII or been terminated pursuant to subsection (2) of Article XII.	Any state that has enacted legislation to join the Compact, thereby agreeing to adhere to the rules and regulations established by the Compact.
Home State	The member state that is the licensee's primary state of residence.	The Compact state that is the licensee's primary state of residence.	Not applicable	The Compact member state which is the nurse's primary state of residence. Proof of residency, such as a current driver's license or other legal document showing the current address, may be required by the state board of nursing at the time of application for multistate licensure.	The home state is a compact member state where a psychologist is licensed to practice psychology. When practicing interjurisdictional telepsychology under the terms of this Compact, the home state is the Compact state where the psychologist is physically present when the services are delivered.	The Compact member state that is the licensee's primary state of residence.
Remote State	A member state, other than the home state, where a licensee is exercising or seeking to exercise his or her compact privilege.	Any member state, other than the home state, where a counselor is permitted to practice under the privileges granted by the Compact.	Not applicable	Any member state, other than the home state, where a nurse is permitted to practice under the privileges granted by the Compact.	Not applicable	A member state other than the home state, where a licensee is exercising or seeking to exercise the compact privilege.

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Distant State, also referred to as Party State	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	The compact state where a psychologist is physically present, not through the use of telecommunication technologies, to provide temporary in-person, face-to-face psychological services.	Not applicable
Receiving State	Not applicable	Refers to a member state other than the counselor's home state where the counselor seeks to practice under the privilege to practice granted by the Compact.	Not applicable	Refers to a member state other than the nurse's home state where the nurse seeks to practice under the privilege to practice granted by the Compact.	A compact state where the client/patient is physically located when the telepsychological services are delivered.	Not applicable
Member State	A state that has enacted the Compact.	Any state that has enacted legislation to join the Compact and agrees to abide by its terms and conditions.	A state that has enacted the Compact.	Any state that has enacted legislation to join the Compact and agrees to abide by its terms and conditions.	Any state that has enacted legislation to join the Compact and agrees to abide by its terms and conditions.	A state that has enacted the Compact.
License	The official authorization granted by a state's regulatory authority that permits an individual to practice as an audiologist or speech-language pathologist within that state.	The official authorization granted by a state's regulatory authority that permits an individual to practice as a counselor within that state.	The authorization by a state for a physician to engage in the practice of medicine, which would be unlawful without the authorization.	The official authorization granted by a state's regulatory authority that permits an individual to practice as a nurse within that state.	The authorization by a state psychology regulatory authority to engage in the independent practice of psychology, which would be unlawful without the authorization.	The official authorization granted by a state's regulatory authority permitting an individual to practice as physical therapist or physical therapy assistant within that state.

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Single State License	An audiology or speech-language pathology license issued by a member state which authorizes practice only within the issuing state and does not include a privilege to practice in any other member state.	A licensed professional counselor license issued by a member state that authorizes practice only within the issuing state and does not include a privilege to practice in any other member state.	Not applicable	A license issued by the Florida Department of Health that allows registered nurses or licensed practical nurses to practice within the state of Florida, without the multistate licensure privilege to practice in other nurse licensure compact states.	Not applicable	Not applicable
State of Principal Licensure	Not applicable	Not applicable	A member state where a physician holds a license to practice medicine, and which has been designated as such by the physician for purposes of registration and participation in the Compact. The SPL verifies eligibility for the Letter of Qualification, which as a result, is issued by the IMLC.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Multistate Licensure	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	A license issued by the Florida Department of Health that allows registered nurses and licensed practical nurses to practice in all nurse licensure compact states under a multistate licensure privilege.	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Expedited License	Not applicable	Not applicable	A full and unrestricted license promptly issued by a member state to an eligible applicant through the process established by the Compact.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Active Investigation	Not applicable	An ongoing, formal inquiry conducted by a regulatory authority to determine whether a licensed counselor or an applicant for licensure has violated professional standards, laws, or regulations.	An investigation related to a physician seeking licensure through the Compact by a licensing agency or law enforcement authority in any state, federal, or foreign jurisdiction for issues that have not been resolved.	An ongoing, formal inquiry conducted by a regulatory authority to determine whether a licensed nurse or an applicant for licensure has violated professional standards, laws, or regulations.	An ongoing, formal inquiry conducted by a regulatory authority to determine whether a licensed telepsychologist or an applicant for licensure has violated professional standards, laws, or regulations.	Not applicable

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Investigative Information	Information that a licensing board, after an inquiry or investigation that includes notification and an opportunity for the audiologist or speech-language pathologist to respond, if required by state law, has reason to believe is not groundless and, if provided true, would indicate more than a minor infraction.	Information, records, or documents received or generated by a professional counseling licensing board pursuant to an investigation.	Not applicable	Investigative information that indicates that the nurse represents an immediate threat to public health and safety, regardless of whether the nurse has been notified and had an opportunity to respond.	(a) Investigative information that a state psychology regulatory authority, after a preliminary inquiry that includes notification and an opportunity to respond if required by state law, has reason to believe, if proven true, would indicate a violation of state statute or rule that would be considered more substantial than a minor infraction; or (b) Investigative information that indicates that the psychologist represents an immediate threat to public health and safety regardless of whether the psychologist has been notified or had an opportunity to respond.	Information, records, and documents received or generated by a physical therapy licensing board pursuant to an investigation.

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Adverse	Any administrative, civil, equitable, or criminal action permitted by a state's laws which is imposed by a licensing board against a licensee, including actions against an individual's license or privilege to practice, such as revocation, suspension, probation, monitoring of the licensee, or restriction on the licensee's practice.	Any administrative, civil, or criminal action authorized by a state's laws which is imposed by a licensing board or other authority against a licensed professional counselor, including actions against an individual's license or privilege to practice, such as revocation, suspension, probation, monitoring of the licensee, limitation on the licensee's practice, issuance of a cease and desist action, or any other encumbrance on licensure affecting a licensed professional counselor's authorization to practice.	Not applicable	Any administrative, civil, equitable, or criminal action permitted by a state's laws which is imposed by a licensing board or other authority against a nurse, including actions against an individual's license or multistate licensure privilege such as revocation, suspension, probation, monitoring of the licensee, limitation on the licensee's practice, or any other encumbrance on licensure affecting a nurse's authorization to practice, including issuance of a cease and desist action.	Any disciplinary action that is a matter of public record which is taken by a state's psychology regulatory authority against an individual's license to practice psychology in that state.	Disciplinary action taken by a physical therapy licensing board based upon misconduct, unacceptable performance, or a combination of both.

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Conviction	A formal declaration by a court of law that an individual has been found guilty of a criminal offense.	A formal declaration by a court of law that an individual has been found guilty of a criminal offense.	A finding by a court that an individual is guilty of a criminal offense through adjudication, or entry of a plea of guilty or no contest to the charge by the offender. Evidence of an entry of a conviction of a criminal offense by the court shall be considered final for purposes of disciplinary action by a member board. Conviction means a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, finding of guilt, jury verdict, or entry of judgment or sentencing, including, but not limited to, convictions, preceding sentences of supervision, conditional discharge, or first offender probation, under the laws of any jurisdiction of the United States of any crime that is a felony.	A formal declaration by a court of law that an individual has been found guilty of a criminal offense.	A formal declaration by a court of law that an individual has been found guilty of a criminal offense.	A formal declaration by a court of law that an individual has been found guilty of a criminal offense.
Criminal Background Check	A state and federal comprehensive review of an individual's criminal history records to ensure the safety and integrity of the profession.	A comprehensive review of an individual's criminal history records to ensure the safety and integrity of the counseling profession.	A state and federal criminal background investigation of an applicant for expedited licensure conducted through fingerprinting or other biometric data checks.	A state and federal comprehensive review of an individual's criminal history records to ensure the safety and integrity of the profession.	A state and federal comprehensive review of an individual's criminal history records to ensure the safety and integrity of the profession.	A state and federal comprehensive review of an individual's criminal history records to ensure the safety and integrity of the profession.

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Criminal Offense	Any act or omission that is prohibited by law and punishable by the government through fines, imprisonment, or other penalties.	Any act or omission that is prohibited by law and punishable by the government through fines, imprisonment, or other penalties.	A violation of a law with possible penalties of a term in jail or prison, and/or a fine.	Any act or omission that is prohibited by law and punishable by the government through fines, imprisonment, or other penalties.	Any act or omission that is prohibited by law and punishable by the government through fines, imprisonment, or other penalties.	Any act or omission that is prohibited by law and punishable by the government through fines, imprisonment, or other penalties.
Disciplinary Action	Any formal measure taken by a regulatory authority in response to a violation of professional standards, laws, or regulations by an audiologist or speech-language pathologist.	Any formal measure taken by a regulatory authority in response to a violation of professional standards, laws, or regulations by a licensed counselor.	Any formal measure taken by a regulatory authority in response to a violation of professional standards, laws, or regulations by a physician.	Any formal measure taken by a regulatory authority in response to a violation of professional standards, laws, or regulations by a nurse.	Any action taken by a licensing entity which finds a violation of a statute or regulation that is a matter of public record unless the licensing entity clearly states that it is not a disciplinary action.	Any formal measure taken by a regulatory authority in response to a violation of professional standards, laws, or regulations by a physical therapist.
Nursys	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	The national nurse database that contains the licensure and disciplinary information of all registered nurses and LPN/VN as contributed by states.	Not applicable	Not applicable