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### **Information Pertaining to Endorsement as a Health Service Provider in Psychology (HSPP).**

Licensed psychologists must obtain endorsement as health service providers in psychology in order to engage in the independent diagnosis and treatment of mental and behavioral disorders. If a psychologist is not endorsed as a health service provider in psychology (HSPP), the only way the psychologist can engage in the diagnosis and treatment of mental and behavioral disorders is:

1. To practice under the supervision of a health service provider in psychology for the purpose of qualifying for endorsement; or
2. The psychologist holds a limited license issued under IC 25-33-1-18 and practices within the scope of the psychologist's limited license.

To download the HSPP application, go to: <https://forms.in.gov/download.aspx?id=4807>

### **Application Guidelines for HSPP Applicants**

- Have a completed doctorate degree
- Have completed a 1,500 hour internship
- Have completed 1,600 post-internship supervised hours with a minimum of 900 hours of face-to-face client contact hours (completed in not less than 12 months)
- All forms must be completed and signed by an appropriate supervisor
- Have been granted a license to practice psychology in the State of Indiana

Or

- Proof of masters degree (if applicable)
- Have completed a doctorate degree
- Have completed a 1,500 hour internship
- Proof of completion of doctorate level practicum reflected on official transcripts (must have been completed post-masters, post-basic practicum of 400 hours and completion of 48 semester or 72 quarter hours taken for academic credit in an applied clinical, counseling, school, or other related graduate program)
- Proof of post-internship hours (completed within a consecutive 60 month period)

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- **Doctoral level practicum and post-internship hours may be combined and must total 1,600 supervised hours with a minimum of 900 hours of face-to-face client contact**
- The verification form(s) for doctoral level practicum experience shall be completed and signed by the director of training or designee of the doctoral program; one form must be submitted for each practicum experience
- The verification for post-internship experience shall be completed and signed by each psychologist who provided supervision during the post-internship experience
- Have been granted a license to practice psychology in the State of Indiana

**The application fee for HSPP endorsement is \$100.**

Once the HSPP endorsement is issued, it is renewed automatically at the time of the practitioner's license to practice psychology is renewed. If a Psychologist is currently obtaining a post-degree supervised experience in a health service setting, the Psychologist does NOT have to be endorsed as an HSPP as long as he/she is supervised by a psychologist who IS endorsed as an HSPP.

**As soon as the psychologist completed the supervised experience (or preceptorship), he/she should apply for endorsement; he/she must continue to practice under supervision until the Board acts on the application.**

If you have any questions regarding this application process, please call our office at (317) 234-2043 or email us at [psych@pla.in.gov](mailto:psych@pla.in.gov).