

# Connecticut Department of Public Health

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# Practitioner Licensing & Investigations Section (PLIS)

- \* Licenses approximately 65 professions including:  
*physicians, nurses, dentists, social workers, hairdressers, psychologists, behavior analysts, art therapists, occupational therapists, embalmers/funeral directors, veterinarians, etc.*
- \* Approximately 250,000 individuals licensed or certified
- \* 1,200 - 1,500 complaints for investigation annually

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- \* [elicense.ct.gov](https://elicense.ct.gov)
  - \* Online application process
  - \* Applicants can check status of application through their account
  - \* Public can verify licensure status
  
- \* Licensees are responsible for ensuring all required documentation is sent to Department
  
- \* License is generally issued 10-15 days once the Department receives a completed application with all relevant documents

# Practitioner Licensing & Investigations Section (PLIS)

License Categories	Number of Licensees (07/18/2022)
LMSW	4,415
LCSW	8,557
LPCA	968
LPC	3,833
MFTA	477
MFT	1,744
Psychology	2,417
Total	22,411

# Public Act 22-47

## An Act Concerning Children's Mental Health

- \* Section 1: DPH will consult with DCF to develop and implement a plan to waive licensure requirements for mental health providers licensed in other states with a priority given to children's providers (report due 1/1/23)
- \* Section 2: Expands an existing law on expedited licensure for health care providers licensed in other states by eliminating current provisions limiting it to state residents or spouses of active-duty military members stationed in CT. (effective 10/1/22)
- \* Section 3: Extends, until June 30, 2024, the duration of temporary master social worker permits from 120 days to one year after attaining a master's degree and specifies that they are not void solely because the applicant fails the examination



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Section 5: Allows out-of-state social workers, under certain conditions, to provide telehealth services to residents of other states while the residents are in Connecticut, until July 1, 2024

Section 6: Requires DPH, within available appropriations, to establish a need-based program that waives application and licensure fees for certain applicants who will provide children's mental or behavioral health services



# Public Act 22-81 - An Act Expanding Preschool & Mental & Behavioral Services for children

- Section 17: Requires DPH, in consultation with the DSS, to establish a pilot program to expand behavioral health care to children by pediatric care providers in private practices (by 7/1/23)
- Section 26: Requires DPH, in consultation with OEC, to develop and implement a plan to establish licensure by reciprocity or endorsement for speech and language pathologists or occupational therapists licensed elsewhere and who intend to provide services under the Birth-to-Three program (by 1/1/23)
- Section 30, 32, 33: Extends PA 21-9's temporary expanded telehealth requirements for the delivery of telehealth services by one year to June 30, 2024, and makes minor changes

# Public Act 22-81 - An Act Expanding Preschool & Mental & Behavioral Services for children

- **Section 42:** Enters Connecticut into the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact, which provides a process authorizing psychologists to practice by (1) telehealth and (2) temporary inperson, face-to-face services across state boundaries, without requiring psychologist licensure in each state (10/1/22)
- **Section 43:** Enters Connecticut into the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact, which provides an expedited licensure process for physicians seeking to practice in multiple states (10/1/22)





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Thank you