

Board of Social Work – 5/09/2025

SW Renewal 2025
Continuing Education Requirements

- **Total 40 hours required for All SWs. 28 of these including Ethics must be in person or live interactive webinar**
These are required by law:
 - **6 hours in Ethics (In person or Live Interactive Webinar)**
 - **2 hours in LGBTQ**
 - **Relevant topics based upon D.C. Health Public Health Priorities can be found: <https://dchealth.dc.gov/page/policy-statement-identifying-public-health-issues-continuing-education>**
 - **Upload evidence of completion with renewal applications.**
- **First time renewals are exempt from CE.**

METHODS OF COMPLIANCE

❖ **CONTACT HOUR OPTION**

May be used if you have completed continuing education offerings.

DOCUMENTATION NEEDED:

Certificates of completion from an approved continuing education provider- Certificates must show the number of hours received, date of completion and provider's approval status

❖ **ACADEMIC OPTION**

May be used when you have completed a course leading towards a degree in social work or any academic course relevant to the practice of social work. 1 credit = 20 contact hours.

DOCUMENTATION NEEDED:

Unofficial school transcript that contains name of university and student, courses, and grades.

❖ **PRESENTER OPTION:**

May be used if you have developed and taught a course or educational offering for a continuing education provider approved by an accrediting body or Board of Social Work. Please Refer to SW Regulations section 7010: <https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/129242>

Please note: This is not an option for nurses required to develop and teach continuing education courses as a condition of employment.

DOCUMENTATION NEEDED:

Verification form indicating your name, the name of the accrediting body and the number of contact hours and a letter from an accrediting body acknowledging their approval of your course.

❖ **AUTHOR OR EDITOR OPTION:**

Author of a book chapter or peer reviewed article (if the manuscript has been published or accepted for publication during the period for which credit is claimed). Please Refer to DC SW Regulations sections 7010: <https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/129242>

DOCUMENTATION NEEDED (any of the following)

Letter of acceptance OR Copy of title page of the book or article (for articles, include the name of the journal, if not indicated on the title page) OR Copy of page listing you as editor.