

This is an amendment to 16.27.7 NMAC, Sections 2, 10, 13 and 14, effective 1/18/2023.

16.27.7.2 SCOPE: All individuals applying for licensure by examination as professional art therapists.
[16.27.7.2 NMAC - Rp, 16.27.7.2 NMAC, 11/30/2021; A, 1/18/2023]

16.27.7.10 APPLICANTS FOR LICENSURE BY EXAMINATION: AS A PROFESSIONAL ART THERAPIST (LPAT) MUST POSSESS THE FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS AND PROVIDE THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION WITH THE APPLICATION: A licensed professional art therapist (LPAT) must possess the following qualifications and provide the required documentation with the application:

- A. Age requirement. Be at least 21 years of age.
 - B. Applicant must sign a statement provided in the application indicating the applicant has read the code of ethics and agrees to be bound and governed by the code of ethics.
 - C. Education requirements. Professional entry into art therapy requires a masters or doctoral degree in art therapy, counseling or counseling related field. Individuals holding a master's degree in a related field may enter the art therapy profession by completing 48 graduate semester hours or 72 quarter hours in the art therapy core curriculum.
 - D. Experience requirements:
 - (1) a minimum of two years postgraduate professional art therapy experience;
 - (2) evidence of having participated in a total of 3000 hours of postgraduate clinical client contact and 100 hours of appropriate face-to-face postgraduate supervision; ~~700~~ 1000 clinical client contact hours may be from the applicant's internship or practicum.
 - E. Application fee of \$75.00 as provided for in ~~[Part 17 of 16.27 NMAC]~~ 16.27.17 NMAC.
 - F. Is of good moral character with conduct consistent with the code of ethics.
- [16.27.7.10 NMAC - Rp, 16.27.7.10 NMAC, 11/30/2021; A, 1/18/2023]

16.27.7.13 DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR LICENSURE BY EXAMINATION:

- A. A completed application as specified in 16.27.3.8 NMAC.
- B. Proof of education and experience:
 - (1) The applicant is required to submit an official transcript in a sealed envelope from each institution contributing to the applicant's master or doctoral degree a total of no less than 48 semester hours or 72 quarter hours which includes the required clinical core curriculum. Applicants who have just graduated with an appropriate degree field, and whose degrees have not yet been conferred by their university, may submit the following documentation in while awaiting official transcripts to become available:
 - (a) A verification letter from a university official verifying
 - ~~(1)~~ (i) their degree program;
 - ~~(2)~~ (ii) that all courses have been completed and they have earned passing grades;
 - ~~(3)~~ (iii) their degrees will be conferred by the university; and
 - (b) A receipt verifying that they have ordered their transcripts to be sent to the board office once their degree is conferred.
 - (2) A statement from each supervisor in a sealed envelope on a form provided by the board (attachment B) verifying the applicant's supervised experience and setting forth the nature and extent of such supervision must be submitted with the application; the statement shall verify that the applicant's performance was in accordance with adequate counseling and therapy standards of practice; if a supervisor's statement is not available, the applicant may submit documentation explaining why the supervisor's statement is not available and sworn affidavits from other individuals verifying that supervision took place and describing the nature and the extent of the supervision.
 - (3) Documentation of 3000 client contact hours and 100 hours of appropriate face-to-face supervision.
 - (4) Attachment F, listing only specific graduate coursework. The board may request syllabi as needed to clarify course content.

(5) Documentation of the applicant's licensure, registration or certification status must be submitted on application attachment form A, which must be sent directly to the board by the jurisdiction in which the applicant is licensed, certified, or registered.

(6) Application fee of \$75.00 as provided for in 16.27.17 NMAC.
[16.27.7.13 NMAC - Rp, 16.27.7.13 NMAC, 11/30/2021; A, 1/18/2023]

16.27.7.14 [LICENSURE BY CREDENTIALS:

~~A. A completed application as specified in 16.27.3.8 NMAC.~~

~~B. Verification (attachment A) that the applicant holds and has held a current independent license for two years issued by the appropriate examining board under the law of any other state or territory of the United States, the District of Columbia or any foreign nation.~~

~~C. Verification that the applicant is in good standing with no disciplinary action pending or brought against the applicant within the past two years.~~

~~D. Holds masters or doctoral degree in counseling or a counseling related field from an accredited institution.~~

~~E. Application fee of \$75.00 as provided for in 16.27.17 NMAC.~~

~~F. Applicants who do not meet the licensure by reciprocity must meet the current licensure requirements.] [RESERVED]~~

[16.27.7.14 NMAC - Rp, 16.27.7.14 NMAC, 11/30/2021; Repealed, 1/18/2023]