

Kentucky Board of Social Work

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Effective May 5, 2017, the continuing education regulation [201 KAR 23:075](#) has changed.

CE COURSES ARE REQUIRED FOR RENEWAL

1. Kentucky Social Work Ethics (on the Kentucky Code of Ethical Conduct)

TAKING THE WRONG ETHICS COURSE IS THE #1 CAUSE OF RENEWAL PROBLEMS

- **Must have KBSW-Ethics Approval No. on the certificate of attendance**
- **Must** be approved by the Kentucky Board of Social Work
- Approved three (3) hour course, must be taken each and every renewal period
- May be taken in person or online (when available and if it has a **KBSW-Ethics Approval No.**)

2. Suicide Prevention training program

- The Kentucky Legislature required the initial six (6) hour program to be taken by a deadline of July 2016
- Approved six (6) hour training program, must be taken one time every six (6) years
- If you missed the deadline, take an approved training program immediately and email the certificate to florence.huffman@ky.gov

3. Pediatric Abusive Head Trauma

- No changes to this requirement
- Approved 1.5 hour course, must be taken one time every six (6) years

4. Domestic Violence and Elder Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation

- Title changed to “Domestic violence, and elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation” (KRS 194A.540)
- Approved three (3) hour course, must be taken during the initial three-year licensure period
- Once completed during the initial three-year licensure period, it does not have to be taken again

NOTE: HIV/AIDs course is no longer required for renewal.

[Click here for access to bsw.ky.gov and Board Approved Courses](#)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Board preapproved providers and sponsors

- *Except for the Kentucky Social Work Ethics and LCSW Supervision course*, if you take a course from the list of preapproved providers and sponsors, CE credits will be approved without further review by the board
- If you take an ethics course that does not have a **KBSW-Ethics Approval No.**, it will not qualify for renewal

2. 100 percent of CE courses required for renewal may be completed online

- “Online” is defined as a course being delivered through electronic media or technology including distance learning, online, or teleconference
- If you take a Kentucky ethics course that hasn’t been approved it will not qualify for renewal

3. **Individual application:** If you take a course or attend a conference that hasn’t been approved by the Board of Social Work or wasn’t offered by one of the preapproved providers or sponsors, then you can submit an individual application for credit approval online. *You must submit the presenters’ resumes as part of the application process.*

4. For Approved LCSW Supervisors ONLY

- **Must have KBSW-Supervision Approval No. on the certificate of attendance**
- Must be approved by the Kentucky Board of Social Work
- Must be taken **face to face and in person** --- **NO ONLINE VERSIONS ALLOWED**