

Resources

Information on Licensing and Registration of Reflexology

Current States with Regulations

North Dakota

Requires Reflexology license to practice Reflexology

Tennessee

Reflexologists are required by law to be listed in the Reflexology Registry created 2001

New Hampshire

New Hampshire HOUSE BILL 84-FN is now state law and requires Reflexologist to be licensed. Passed in 2009.

States perusing licensing Reflexology

New York State Reflexology Association

Since 2006 the legislative committee has been setting its aims on licensure and has been increasingly active ever since.

States which have Health Freedom Laws

Health Freedom Laws promote free access to healing and healthcare

Health Freedom Laws Passed

- * 2005 Louisiana Revised Statutes 20-37 VI-B
- * 2003 Rhode Island Statute 23-75 - Unlicensed Health Care Practices
- * 2001 California SB577 - California Complementary and Alternative Health Care Practitioners
- * 1999 Minnesota Statute 146A - Minnesota Freedom of Access to Complementary and Alternative Health Care Practitioners
- * 1994 - Oklahoma Statute 59-480 (Oklahoma Parameters for Jurisdiction of Physician Licensing Act) - Oklahoma Allopathic and Surgical Licensure and Supervision Act.
- * 1976 - Idaho 54-1804 (Idaho Exemptions to the Medical Practice Act) - Unlicensed Practice. Penalties and Remedies Relating to Unlicensed Practice

What is a Sunrise law?

A Sunrise Law requires that those who promote licensing a profession (which involves treating people) must provide well-documented evidence showing that:

- (a) The unlicensed profession is a serious danger to the public health and safety;
- (b) State licensing will adequately protect the public health and safety; and
- (c) No other means can also protect the public health and safety.

Tennessee Reflexology Registry

The Reflexology Registry was created in 2001 by an act of the State Legislature. The mission is to safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of Tennesseans by requiring those who practice the profession of reflexology within this state be qualified.

The registry interprets the laws, rules, and regulations to determine the appropriate standard in an effort to ensure the highest degree of professional conduct.

The Registrar is responsible for the investigation of alleged violations of the Practice Act and rules and is responsible for the discipline of reflexologists who are found to be in such violations.

The Division of Health Related Boards oversees Reflexologists

(1) (200) hours in reflexology only courses (2) endorsement from another state, Renewal notices registration to the current address on record. Failure to renew by the expiration date may result in a fine.

North Dakota Licensing Requirements

The NDRB licensing requirements are as follows.

Exam - 100 hours of preparation. A minimum of 40 hours of in-class hours by a single school with the teacher being ARCB certified.

Copies of a minimum of 25 documentations of sessions are also required.

The rest of the 100 hours can be additional class hours, additional documentations, or working with a licensed mentor.

The cost \$150. Includes Study Guide and test and \$50 for the first year license.

The license is renewable every year on the 1st of June.

The continuing education credits are 12 CEU's every 3 years.

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New Hampshire HOUSE BILL 84-FN

AN ACT relative to the regulation of reflexologists, structural integrators, and Asian bodywork therapists.

The general court, to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the state of New Hampshire, establishes a regulatory program for licensure

Recognizes the need for licensure of professions that have attained maturity through established history and the creation of credible professional associations and training.

Scope of practice. Reflexologists practice the use of alternating pressure applied to the reflexes within the reflex maps of the body located on the feet, hands, and outer ears.

I. The department shall issue a practitioner license to each qualified applicant who:

- (a) Is at least 18 years of age
- (b) Application on a form
- (c) Makes payment of fees
- (d) Has not been convicted in New Hampshire or in any other state of any crime involving violence inflicted on a person or threatened against a person, or any sexually-related crime
- (e) Holds a current certificate from a ARCB

II. Licenses shall be issued based on the applicant's specific training, and each license shall identify the specific bodywork profession in which the applicant is trained and certified.

III. Valid for 2 years.

IV. All advertising and promotional material, including but not limited to, business cards, brochures, and yellow pages, must display the licensee's license number.

V. Practitioner licenses shall be posted in each office the licensee practices in, or carried on the licensee if the licensee practices at locations other than his or her own office or offices.

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New York State the Legislative Committee

It advocates for the legal status for reflexology in New York State and acts as a liaison between the association and the legislature. Our primary objectives, as mandated by the membership include:

- * Establish reflexology as its own profession.
- * Work with our State Assembly persons and Senators to determine the content of a bill which will establish reflexology as a licensed profession in New York State.
- * Ongoing coalition building in our community and at large; developing relationships with those who support our purpose.

Since 2006 the legislative committee has been setting its aims on licensure and has been increasingly active ever since. The Legislative Committee has grown steadily through the years, as members have come forward in support of its work; offering their time, talents, dedication and resolve. When we receive legal recognition for reflexology in New York State, NYSRA members will be the reason for its success.

Arguments from PENNSYLVANIA SENATE BILL

1171 - March 1998 which did not pass.

consumer protection and professional licensure,

"first and foremost to protect the public from harm."

well-documented evidence of that harm

Why isn't a 12-hour training for reflexology adequate?

Some people, who have taken a 2-day, 12-hour reflexology weekend workshop, have been doing reflexology for several years. Throughout that time, they have had many satisfied clients, and have not harmed anybody.

Two-day weekend trainings in reflexology are presently being offered.

I would appreciate your providing me with well-documented evidence which explains why a 2-day 12-hour training in reflexology is not adequate.

Will be detrimental to the public, especially to low-income women.

Licensure, which is monopoly control, limits the number of practitioners, decreases competition, raises prices, and restricts information which the public gets. Will benefit only those to whom it gives monopoly control. Will not protect the public from harm because there is no harm. Is not supported by consumer protection agencies.