

# Professional Licensing/Certification Agencies by State/Territory/District

Key: Green = License to practice available  
 Light orange = No license available yet, but potential  
 Gold = Unique licensure/practice conditions  
 Red = No license/certification currently available

State	Naturopathic Medicine	Acupuncture	Counseling Psychology	Registered Dietician	Direct-Entry Midwifery
Alabama	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	Practice prohibited in this state	<a href="#">Alabama Board of Examiners in Counseling</a>	<a href="#">Alabama Board of Examiners for Dietetics &amp; Nutritionists</a>	<a href="#">Alabama State Board of Midwifery</a>
Alaska	<a href="#">Alaska Dept. of Community and Economic Development, Division of Occupational Licensing Naturopathic Section</a>	<a href="#">Alaska Dept. of Community and Economic Development; Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing; Regulation of Acupuncturists</a>	<a href="#">Board of Professional Counselors</a>	<a href="#">Alaska Dept. of Community and Economic Development; Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing; Dietitians &amp; Nutritionists</a>	<a href="#">Alaska Dept. of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development; Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing; Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives</a>
Arizona	<a href="#">Arizona Naturopathic Physicians Medical Board</a>	<a href="#">State of Arizona Acupuncture Board of Examiners</a>	<a href="#">Board of Behavioral Health Examiners</a>	Practice does not require certification or licensure, but those with RD credential are only allowed to practice after fulfilling CDR requirements.	<a href="#">Arizona Department of Health Services: Office of Special Licensing</a>
Arkansas	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">Arkansas State Board of Acupuncture &amp; Related Techniques</a>	<a href="#">Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling and Marriage &amp; Family Therapy</a>	<a href="#">Arkansas Dietetics Licensing Board</a>	<a href="#">Arkansas Department of Health: Programs and Services: Family Health: Lay Midwifery</a>
California	<a href="#">Department of Consumer Affairs; Naturopathic Medicine Committee</a>	<a href="#">Dept. of Consumer Affairs: Acupuncture Board</a>	<a href="#">Board of Behavioral Sciences</a>	Dietitians must be registered if they want to practice. Must fulfill CDR educational and experiential requirements.	<a href="#">Medical Board of California; CA Department of Consumer Affairs: Board of Registered Nursing</a>
Colorado	<a href="#">Colorado Dept. of Regulatory Agencies; Office of Naturopathic Doctor Registration</a>	<a href="#">Colorado Dept. of Regulatory Agencies: Office of Acupuncture Licensure</a>	<a href="#">State Board of Licensed Professional Counselor Examiners</a>	Practice does not require certification or licensure, but those with RD credential are only allowed to practice after fulfilling CDR requirements.	<a href="#">Division of Professions and Occupations: Office of Direct-Entry Midwifery Registration</a>

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Connecticut	<a href="#">Connecticut State Dept. of Public Health</a>	<a href="#">Connecticut State Dept. of Public Health</a>	<a href="#">Connecticut State Dept. of Public Health</a>	<a href="#">Connecticut State Dept. of Public Health: Dietitian/Nutritionist Certification</a>	Practice not regulated, no licensure available for direct entry midwives
Delaware	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	<a href="#">Delaware Division of Professional Regulation</a>	<a href="#">Board of Mental Health and Chemical Dependency Professionals</a>	<a href="#">Delaware Division of Professional Regulation</a>	<a href="#">Delaware Department of State: Midwifery Practitioner</a>
District of Columbia	<a href="#">District of Columbia Dept. of Health</a>	<a href="#">District of Columbia Dept. of Health</a>	<a href="#">District of Columbia Dept. of Health</a>	<a href="#">District of Columbia Dept. of Health</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available for direct entry midwives
Florida	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">Florida Board of Acupuncture</a>	<a href="#">Florida Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage &amp; Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling</a>	<a href="#">Florida Dept. of Health</a>	<a href="#">Florida Department of Health: Division of Medical Quality Assurance: Licensed Midwives</a>
Georgia	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">Georgia Composite Medical Board</a>	<a href="#">Secretary of State Professional Licensing Boards Division</a>	<a href="#">Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available for direct entry midwives
Hawaii	<a href="#">Dept. of Commerce and Consumer Affairs: Professional &amp; Vocational Licensing</a>	<a href="#">Dept. of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Professional and Vocational Licensing</a>	<a href="#">Dept. of Commerce and Consumer Affairs: Professional &amp; Vocational Licensing Mental Health Counseling Program</a>	<a href="#">State of Hawaii, Dept. of Health: Office of Health Care Assurance</a> <i>Note: Must request forms to apply</i>	<a href="#">Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs</a>
Idaho	<a href="#">Idaho Licensing Board</a>	<a href="#">Idaho Board of Acupuncture</a>	<a href="#">Idaho Licensing Board of Professional Counselors and Marriage and Family Therapists</a>	<a href="#">Idaho Dietetic Licensure Board</a>	<a href="#">Idaho Bureau of Occupational Licenses: State Board of Midwifery</a>
Illinois	Practice not regulated; no licensure available <i>Note: Bill filed or pending 2022</i>	<a href="#">Illinois Dept. of Financial &amp; Professional Regulation</a>	<a href="#">Illinois Dept. of Financial &amp; Professional Regulation</a>	<a href="#">Illinois Dept. of Financial &amp; Professional Regulation</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available for direct entry midwives
Indiana	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">Indiana Professional Licensing Agency</a>	<a href="#">Behavioral Health and Human Services Licensing Board</a>	<a href="#">Medical Licensing Board of Indiana</a>	<a href="#">Indiana Professional Licensing Agency: Medical Licensing Board of Indiana</a>
Iowa	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">Iowa Board of Medicine</a>	<a href="#">Bureau of Professional Licensure</a>	<a href="#">Iowa Dept. of Public Health</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available for direct entry midwives

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Kansas	<a href="#">Kansas Board of Healing Arts</a>	<a href="#">Kansas Board of Healing Arts</a>	<a href="#">Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board</a>	<a href="#">Kansas Dept. for Aging and Disability Services</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available for direct entry midwives
Kentucky	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	<a href="#">Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure</a>	<a href="#">Kentucky Board of Licensed Professional Counselors</a>	<a href="#">Kentucky Public Protection Cabinet: Office of Occupations and Professions</a>	<a href="#">Kentucky Home Birth Coalition</a>
Louisiana	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	<a href="#">Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners</a>	<a href="#">Louisiana Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners</a>	<a href="#">Louisiana Board of Examiners in Dietetics and Nutrition</a>	<a href="#">Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners: Licensed Midwives</a>
Maine	<a href="#">State of Maine Professional &amp; Financial Regulation; Board of Complementary Health Care Providers</a>	<a href="#">State of Maine Professional &amp; Financial Regulation; Board of Complementary Health Care Providers</a>	<a href="#">State of Maine Professional &amp; Financial Regulation; Board of Counseling Professionals Licensure</a>	<a href="#">State of Maine Professional &amp; Financial Regulation; Board of Licensing of Dietetic Practice</a>	<a href="#">Board of Complementary Health Care Providers</a>
Maryland	<a href="#">Maryland Board of Physicians</a>	<a href="#">Maryland Dept. of Health: Board of Acupuncture</a>	<a href="#">Maryland Dept. of Health: Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists</a>	<a href="#">Maryland Dept. of Health: Board of Dietetic Practice</a>	<a href="#">Maryland Board of Nursing</a>
Massachusetts	<a href="#">Massachusetts Board of Registration in Naturopathy</a>  Note: (MA licensed ND doctors in 2017 and is currently working on the promulgation of rules and regulations. It is hoped that license applications will become available in early 2021).	<a href="#">Massachusetts Dept. of Health &amp; Human Services</a>	<a href="#">Massachusetts Board of Registration of Allied Mental Health and Human Services Professions, Division of Professional Licensure</a>	<a href="#">Massachusetts Dept. of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation; Board of Registration of Dietitians and Nutritionists</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available
Michigan	Practice not regulated; no licensure available <i>Note: Bill filed or pending 2022</i>	<a href="#">Michigan Dept. of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs; Board of Acupuncture</a>	<a href="#">Michigan Dept. of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs; Board of Counseling</a>	Practice is not regulated Note: <a href="https://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/BHCS_Health_Professions_FY2014_Annual_Report_12-19-14_477262_7.pdf">https://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/BHCS_Health_Professions_FY2014_Annual_Report_12-19-14_477262_7.pdf</a>	<a href="#">Licensing and Regulatory Affairs: Michigan Board of Midwifery</a>
Minnesota	<a href="#">Minnesota Board of Medical Practice Registered Naturopathic Doctor Advisory Council</a>	<a href="#">Minnesota Board of Medical Practice</a>	<a href="#">Minnesota Board of Behavioral Health &amp; Therapy</a>	<a href="#">Minnesota Board of Dietetics and Nutrition Practice</a>	<a href="#">Office of the Revisor of Statutes: Traditional Midwife</a>

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Mississippi	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure</a>	<a href="#">Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors</a>	<a href="#">Mississippi State Dept. of Health</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available for direct entry midwives
Missouri	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	<a href="#">Missouri Division of Professional Registration; Missouri Acupuncturist Advisory Committee</a>	<a href="#">Missouri Division of Professional Registration; Committee for Professional Counselors</a>	<a href="#">Missouri Division of Professional Registration; Committee of Dietitians</a>	Both certified nurse midwives and direct entry midwives may practice in MO; only CNMs are eligible for licensure
Montana	<a href="#">Montana Dept. of Labor &amp; Industry; Board of Alternative Health Care</a>	<a href="#">Montana Dept. of Labor &amp; Industry; Board of Medical Examiners</a>	<a href="#">Montana Dept. of Labor &amp; Industry; Board of Behavioral Health</a>	<a href="#">Montana Dept. of Labor &amp; Industry; Board of Medical Examiners</a>	<a href="#">Montana Alternative Health Care Board</a>
Nebraska	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	<a href="#">Nebraska Dept. of Health &amp; Human Services</a>	<a href="#">Nebraska Dept. of Health &amp; Human Services</a>	<a href="#">Nebraska Dept. of Health &amp; Human Services; Medical Nutrition Therapist</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available for direct entry midwives
Nevada	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	<a href="#">Nevada State Board of Oriental Medicine</a>	<a href="#">State of Nevada Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors</a>	<a href="#">Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH); Dietitian Advisory Group</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available for direct entry midwives
New Hampshire	<a href="#">Office of Professional Licensure and Certification; Naturopathic Board of Examiners</a>	<a href="#">Office of Professional Licensure and Certification; Board of Acupuncture Licensing</a>	<a href="#">Office of Professional Licensure and Certification; N.H. Board of Mental Health Practice</a>	<a href="#">Office of Professional Licensure and Certification; N.H. Board of Licensed Dietitians</a>	<a href="#">New Hampshire Midwifery Council</a>
New Jersey	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">N.J. Division of Consumer Affairs; Acupuncture Examining Board</a>	<a href="#">N.J. Division of Consumer Affairs; Professional Counselor Examiners Committee</a>	Effective 2021, bill NJ A1582 creates a licensure path for CNS and other advanced-degreed nutritionists. Allows other nutrition practitioners to provide individualized nutrition counseling that doesn't target a medical condition. <a href="https://www.billtrack50.com/BillDetail/922508">https://www.billtrack50.com/BillDetail/922508</a>	<a href="#">N.J. Division of Consumer Affairs; State Board of Medical Examiners; Midwifery Liaison Committee</a>
New Mexico	<a href="#">New Mexico Regulation &amp; Licensing Department</a>	<a href="#">New Mexico Regulation &amp; Licensing Department; Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine</a>	<a href="#">New Mexico Regulation &amp; Licensing Department</a>	<a href="#">New Mexico Regulation &amp; Licensing Department, Nutrition and Dietetic Practice Board</a>	<a href="#">New Mexico Department of Health; Public Health Division</a>

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New York	Practice not regulated; no licensure available <i>Note: Bill filed or pending 2022</i>	<a href="#">New York Office of the Professions</a>	<a href="#">New York Office of the Professions</a>	<a href="#">New York Office of the Professions</a>	<a href="#">New York Office of the Professions</a>
North Carolina	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">North Carolina Acupuncture Licensing Board</a>	<a href="#">North Carolina Board of Licensed Professional Counselors</a>	<a href="#">North Carolina Board of Dietetics/Nutrition</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available for direct entry midwives
North Dakota	<a href="#">North Dakota Board of Integrative Health Care</a>	<a href="#">North Dakota Board of Integrative Health Care</a>	<a href="#">North Dakota Board of Counselor Examiners</a>	<a href="#">North Dakota Board of Dietetic Practice</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available for direct entry midwives
North Marianas Islands	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	<a href="#">CNMI Board of Professional Licensing/Health Care Professions Licensing Board</a>	<a href="#">CNMI Board of Professional Licensing/Health Care Professions Licensing Board</a>	No information available.	Practice not regulated; no licensure available
Ohio	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">State Medical Board of Ohio</a>	<a href="#">Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board</a>	<a href="#">Ohio Board of Dietetics</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available for direct entry midwives
Oklahoma	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	<a href="#">Oklahoma State Board of Behavioral Health</a>	<a href="#">Oklahoma Medical Board, Licensed and Provisional Dietitians</a>	<a href="#">Oklahoma State Department of Health: Licensed Midwives Program</a>
Oregon	<a href="#">State of Oregon: Board of Naturopathic Medicine</a>	<a href="#">Oregon Medical Board</a>	<a href="#">State of Oregon, Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists</a>	<a href="#">Oregon Health Authority, Health Licensing Office</a>	<a href="#">Oregon Health Authority, Health Licensing Office, Board of Direct Entry Midwifery</a>
Pennsylvania	<a href="#">Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine</a>	<a href="#">Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine</a>	<a href="#">Pennsylvania State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors</a>	<a href="#">Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available direct entry midwives

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Puerto Rico	<a href="#">Oficina de Reglamentación y Certificación de Profesionales de la Salud Junta Examinadora de Doctores en Naturopatía</a> Tel: (787) 999-8989 ORCPS: 765.2929 Ext. 6530, 6637 JLDM: 765.2929 Ext. 3467, 6640, 6550	Puerto Rico does not license acupuncturists, but MDs and DCs have acupuncture within their scope of practice.	<a href="#">Puerto Rico Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors</a>	No licensing board, but regulation available.  More info: <a href="https://www.eatrightpro.org/advocacy/licensure/licensure-map">https://www.eatrightpro.org/advocacy/licensure/licensure-map</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available
Rhode Island	<a href="#">State of Rhode Island Dept. of Health</a> Email: <a href="mailto:doh.license@health.ri.gov">doh.license@health.ri.gov</a>	<a href="#">State of Rhode Island Dept. of Health: Acupuncturists</a>	<a href="#">State of Rhode Island Dept. of Health: Marriage, Family and Mental Health Therapists</a>	<a href="#">State of Rhode Island Dept. of Health: Nutrition</a>	<a href="#">State of Rhode Island: Dept. of Health: Midwifery</a>
South Carolina	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	<a href="#">S.C. Dept. of Labor, Licensing and Regulation; Board of Medical Examiners, Acupuncture</a>	<a href="#">S.C. Dept. of Labor, Licensing and Regulation; Board of Examiners for Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists and Psycho-Educational Specialists</a>	<a href="#">S.C. Dept. of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, South Carolina Panel for Dietetics</a>	<a href="#">S.C. Dept. of Health and Environmental Control: Health Licensing</a>
South Dakota	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	Practice prohibited in this state	<a href="#">South Dakota Board of Counselors and Marriage and Family Therapist Examiners</a>	<a href="#">South Dakota Board of Medical &amp; Osteopathic Examiners</a>	<a href="#">South Dakota Board of Certified Professional Midwives</a>
Tennessee	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">Tennessee Dept. of Health, Board of Acupuncture</a>	<a href="#">Tennessee Dept. of Health, Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, Licensed Marital and Family Therapists and Licensed Pastoral Therapists</a>	<a href="#">Tennessee Dept. of Health, Board of Dietitians/Nutritionist Examiners</a>	<a href="#">Department of Health: Council of Certified Professional Midwifery</a>
Texas	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners</a>	<a href="#">Texas Behavioral Health Executive Council</a>	<a href="#">Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation</a>	<a href="#">Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation</a>
Utah	<a href="#">Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing: Naturopathy</a>	<a href="#">Utah Division of Occupational &amp; Professional Licensing: Acupuncture</a>	<a href="#">Utah Division of Occupational &amp; Professional Licensing</a>	<a href="#">Utah Division of Occupational &amp; Professional Licensing</a>	<a href="#">Utah Division of Occupational &amp; Professional Licensing</a>

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Vermont	<a href="#">Vermont Secretary of State Professional Regulation: Naturopathic Physicians</a>	<a href="#">Vermont Secretary of State</a>	<a href="#">Vermont Secretary of State, Board of Allied Mental Health</a>	<a href="#">Vermont Secretary of State: Office of Professional Regulation: Dietitians</a>	<a href="#">Vermont Secretary of State: Office of Professional Regulation: Midwives</a>
Virginia	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">Virginia Dept. of Health Professions: Acupuncture Advisory Board</a>	<a href="#">Virginia Dept. of Health Professions: Board of Counseling</a>	Practice regulations do not require certification or licensure, but those with RDN credential are allowed to practice. <a href="https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/bhp/bhp_faq.htm">https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/bhp/bhp_faq.htm</a>	<a href="#">Virginia Department of Health Professions: Board of Medicine: Midwifery Advisory Board</a>
U.S. Virgin Islands	Licensing laws passed in 2001, but no regulatory board established	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	<a href="#">U.S.V.I. Board of Psychology Examiners</a>	Practice regulations do not require certification or licensure, but those with RDN credential are allowed to practice <a href="https://dlca.vi.gov">https://dlca.vi.gov</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available
Washington	<a href="#">Washington State Dept. of Health</a>	<a href="#">Washington State Dept. of Health</a>	<a href="#">Washington State of Dept. of Health</a>	<a href="#">Washington State of Dept. of Health</a>	<a href="#">Washington State Dept. of Health</a>
West Virginia	Practice not regulated; no licensure available	<a href="#">West Virginia Board of Acupuncture</a>	<a href="#">West Virginia Board of Examiners in Counseling</a>	<a href="#">West Virginia Board of Licensed Dietitians</a>	Practice not regulated; no licensure available direct entry midwives
Wisconsin	Practice not regulated; no licensure available <i>Note: Bill filed or pending 2022</i>	<a href="#">Wisconsin Dept. of Safety and Professional Services, Acupuncturist</a>	<a href="#">Wisconsin Dept. of Safety and Professional Services, Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling, and Social Work Examining Board</a>	<a href="#">Wisconsin Dept. of Safety and Professional Services, Dietitian</a>	<a href="#">Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services: Licensed Midwives</a>
Wyoming	Practice not regulated; advocacy initiatives ongoing.	<a href="#">Wyoming Board of Acupuncture</a>	<a href="#">Wyoming Mental Health Professions Licensing Board</a>	<a href="#">Wyoming Dietetics Licensing Board</a>	<a href="#">State of Wyoming Board of Midwifery</a>

**Sources of Licensure Information:**

Naturopathic Medicine licensure: <https://aanmc.org/licensure/> and <https://naturopathic.org/page/RegulatedStates>

Acupuncture licensure: <https://www.nccaom.org/state-licensure/>

Counseling Psychology licensure: <https://www.counseling.org/knowledge-center/licensure-requirements/state-professional-counselor-licensure-boards>

Registered Dietician licensure: <https://www.eatrightpro.org/advocacy/licensure/licensure-map> and <https://www.nutritioned.org/state-requirements.html>

Midwifery: <https://mana.org/about-midwives/state-by-state> and <https://nacpm.org/about-cpms/who-are-cpms/legal-recognition-of-cpms/>