



Psychology Interjurisdictional Licensure Compact (PSYPACT)

BACKGROUND ON INTERSTATE COMPACTS

Interstate compacts are contracts between two or more states that are in agreement on an issue. States use compacts as a legal relationship to address an issue. Indiana currently participates in 37 interstate compacts (listed below)

- Agreement on Detainers
- Agreement on Qualifications of Educational Personnel
- Civil Defense and Disaster Compact
- Compact for Education
- Compact on Mental Health
- Compact on Placement of Children
- Driver License Compact
- Emergency Management Assistance Compact
- EMS Compact
- Great Lakes Basin Compact
- Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact
- Health Care Compact
- Indiana-Kentucky Boundary Compact
- Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision
- Interstate Compact for Juveniles
- Interstate Compact on Adoption and Medical Assistance
- Emergency Management Assistance Compact
- Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children
- Interstate Compact on Placement of Children
- Interstate Compact to Conserve Oil and Gas
- Interstate Corrections Compact
- Interstate Earthquake Emergency Compact
- Interstate High Speed Rail Network Compact
- Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Compact
- Interstate Library Compact
- Interstate Mining Compact
- Interstate Rail Passenger Network Compact
- Midwest Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact
- Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact
- Multistate Lottery Agreement
- Nonresident Violator Compact
- Nurse Licensure Compact
- Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Compact
- Surplus Lines Insurance Multi-State Compliance Compact
- Uniform Unclaimed Property Act
- Wabash Valley Compact
- Wildlife Violator Compact

WHAT IS THE PSYCHOLOGY INTERJURISDICTIONAL COMPACT?

The Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact (PSYPACT) is an “interstate compact designed to facilitate the practice of telepsychology and temporary in-person, face-to-face practice across state boundaries.” (<https://psypact.org/page/About>) PSYPACT is regulated by the PSYPACT Commission, “who create/finalize the Bylaws, Rules, and Regulations. The commission is also responsible for granting psychologists with the authority of telepsychology and in-person, face-to-face psychology practice across state boundaries.”

WHAT IS REQUIRED TO PRACTICE UNDER PSYPACT (IN PARTICIPATING STATES)?

Psychologists must be licensed in in their Home State.

To temporarily practice in-person (up to 30 calendar days/year) in a participating state: A psychologist must have an Interjurisdictional Practice Certificate (IPC) from the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Board (ASPBB) and apply to the PSYPACT Commission for a Temporary Authority to Practice (TAP).

To practice telepsychology in a participating state: A psychologist must obtain an E. Passport Certificate from ASPBB and apply for Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology (APIT) from the PSYPACT Commission.

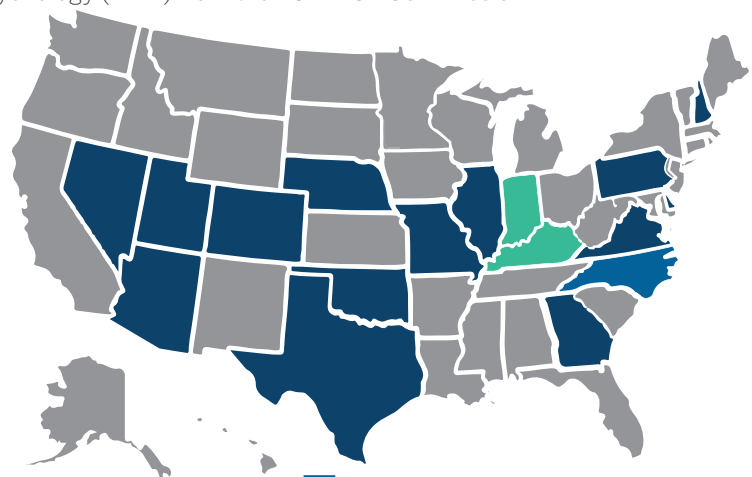
WHAT STATES ARE A PART OF PSYPACT?

Active Members

- Arizona
- Colorado
- Delaware
- Georgia
- Illinois
- Missouri
- Nebraska
- Nevada
- New Hampshire
- Oklahoma
- Pennsylvania
- Texas
- Utah
- Virginia
- North Carolina

States pending with legislation

- District of Columbia
- Indiana
- Kentucky



■ States with Enacted PSYPACT Legislation
 ■ States with Enacted but Not Yet Effective PSYPACT Legislation
■ States with Pending PSYPACT Legislation



WHAT COSTS ARE ASSOCIATED WITH PARTICIPATION AND USE OF PSYPACT?

Costs Borne by...	Itemized Costs	Total Costs
Indiana-based psychologist looking to provide temporary in-person services in any other Compact state.	\$100 Indiana License/Renewal Fee ¹⁺ \$40 one-time Temporary Authorization to Practice fee ² + \$200 Interjurisdictional Practice Certificate (IPC) Application Fee ² + \$50 annual renewal fee ²	= \$390 every 2 years Allows psychologist to practice in Indiana, as well as 15 other states (up to 30 calendar days)
Indiana-based psychologist looking to provide telepsychology services to patients in other states	\$100 annual IPC renewal fee ¹⁺ + \$40 annual IPC renewal fee ² + \$400 E.Passport Application Fee ² + \$100 \$100 E.Passport Annual Renewal Fee ²	= \$640 every 2 years Allows psychologist to provide telepsychology services in Indiana, as well as 15 other states
Out-of-state psychologist looking to provide temporary in-person services in Indiana or telepsychology services to Indiana residents (or residents in any other Compact state)	fee from home state + associated compact fees No additional licensure or fees collected by State of Indiana	
State of Indiana	Up to \$6,000/year compact assessment fee ³ + ~\$130,000 estimated cost to harmonize PSYPACT uniform data set with that of Indiana ⁴	= ~\$136,000



VS. IF NOT PARTICIPATING IN PSYPACT AND PSYCHOLOGIST WISHES TO PROVIDE CARE TO PATIENTS IN OTHER STATES (EITHER IN-PERSON OR THROUGH TELEPSYCHOLOGY)

Indiana License Renewal Fee \$100	State 2 (ex) + \$100 License endorsement fee for Illinois* <small>*https://www.idfpr.com/renewals/apply/forms/psy.pdf</small>	State 3 (ex) + \$200 License endorsement fee for Kentucky* <small>*https://psy.ky.gov/Documents/Application%20for%20Licensure%20of%20a%20Psychologist%20Licensed%20in%20Another%20State.pdf</small>	State 4, 5, 6... + Cost per state	+ time spent preparing separate applications for endorsement, credential review, administrative compliance, etc.
Note: There is not a large anticipated change to licensing fee revenue as the compact only permits 30 days of in-person practice from out-of-state participating providers before requiring an Indiana license.				

In comparing the costs to the individual psychologist, it becomes financially advantageous for a psychologist to participate in the Compact after seeking licensure/authorization to practice in just 2 additional states.



WHAT NON-MONETARY BENEFITS WOULD PSYPACT OFFER?

Out-of-state psychologists participating in PSYPACT would be able to provide telepsychology services for Indiana residents without having to go through an additional process for licensure. Indiana psychologists who do not wish to participate in PSYPACT would be able to obtain their Indiana state license as usual.



WHAT ABILITY DOES PSYPACT HAVE TO MODIFY STATE LAWS?

"The rules of PSYPACT are only applicable to states that enact the PSYPACT. The rules of PSYPACT would only supersede any state law pertaining to the interjurisdictional practice of telepsychology and temporary in-person, face-to-face practice."⁵



IS INDIANA A PART OF PSYPACT?

Indiana is not an active member of PSYPACT. Senate Bill 36⁶ has been introduced into the 2021 Indiana General Assembly legislative session. Senate Bill 36, if enacted, would establish Indiana as a PSYPACT member and allow Indiana psychologists to apply and practice across state borders of other member states under their Indiana license, with the required authorities administered by the Compact. PSYPACT was introduced in previous sessions (2020 Senate Bill 355⁷), but died in advance of committee hearing.

1. Source: Indiana Professional Licensing Agency Psychologist Fee Schedule. Available at: www.in.gov/pla/files/fee%20schedule%202017.pdf
2. Source: Practice Under PSYPACT, Practice Overview. Available at: www.psypact.site-ym.com/page/PracticeUnderPSYPACT
3. PSYPACT Model Legislation. Available at: https://cdn.ymaws.com/psypact.site-ym.com/resource/resmgr/psychology_interjurisdiction.pdf
4. 2021 Senate Bill 36 Fiscal Note: <http://iga.in.gov/legislative/2021/bills/senate/36#document-126f9d7b>
5. FAQ for PSYPACT available at: <https://psypact.site-ym.com/page/faq>
6. 2021 Senate Bill 36. Full text available at: <http://iga.in.gov/legislative/2021/bills/senate/36>
7. 2020 Senate Bill 355. Full text available at: <http://iga.in.gov/legislative/2020/bills/senate/355#document-662ed866>