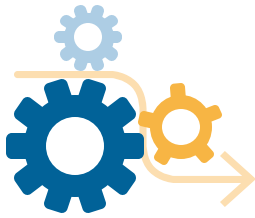


**STEP 1****Master's Degree In Qualifying Field**

- Program accredited by Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).
- Master's degree in Social Work (MSW).
- Courses must align with specific content areas.
- Check out here for a list of programs that may qualify for this license or explore accredited programs on the CSWE program inventory

**STEP 2****Get Experience towards full license as LCSW**

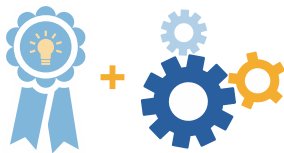
- Must be licensed as a LSW.
- Individuals must have 2+ years of social work experience. Experience is defined by full time paid experience of 1,500 hours/year or part time 4,500 hours (3,000 hours/year).
- Clinical supervision must be obtained under a clinical social worker (LCSW) licensed in the state of Indiana, with a minimum of one (1) hour of supervision per week. Clinical experience hours can only count during the same time that supervision is being obtained.
- Please review IC 25-23.6-5-3.5 and 839 IAC 1-3 to learn more about experience requirements.

**STEP 3****Apply for full license as LCSW!**

- Apply for your license [here](#). Submit application, fee, criminal background check (CBC), Form I, Form II, and Form III.
- Be approved by the BHHS Board to take the ASWB Clinical Examination (see Step 4).

STEP 4**Pass the Exam**

- Applicants must pass the [ASWB Clinical Examination](#)
- Once you take the exam, the exam agency will release the scores to the BHHS Board. Exam results can be shared directly to the BHHS Board.
- Seven (7) to ten (10) business days after scores are received, the BHHS Board will issue the LCSW license (or notify applicants of next steps required).
- Additional information about ASWB's examinations is available [here](#).

**STEP 5****Explore Incentive Opportunities**

- Check out what policies and programs exist to support your practice in Indiana.
- Explore behavioral health workforce programs and incentives at <https://bowenportal.org/portfolio/the-playbook/existing-initiatives/> to learn more about current opportunities.

**Moving to Indiana, or looking to begin practicing in Indiana?**

Individuals who hold a valid license or certificate to practice from another state or jurisdiction and meet other certain criteria may be eligible to apply for a license by reciprocity. Information on how to apply for licensure by reciprocity is available [here](#) on the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency's (PLA's) website.