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| Alabama |  | \* |  |  | Nebraska |  | \* |  |
| Alaska |  | \* |  |  | Nevada |  | \* |  |
| American Samoa |  | \* |  |  | New Hampshire |  | \* |  |
| Arizona |  | \* |  |  | New Jersey |  | \* |  |
| Arkansas |  | \* |  |  | New Mexico |  | \* |  |
| California |  | \* |  |  | New York |  | \* |  |
| Colorado |  | \* |  |  | North Carolina | \* |  |  |
| Connecticut |  | \* |  |  | North Dakota |  | \* |  |
| Delaware |  | \* |  |  | Northern Mariana Islands |  | \* |  |
| Florida |  | \* |  |  | Ohio |  | \* |  |
| Georgia |  | \* |  |  | Oklahoma |  | \* |  |
| Guam |  | \* |  |  | Oregon |  | \* |  |
| Hawaii |  | \* |  |  | Pennsylvania |  | \* |  |
| Idaho |  | \* |  |  | Puerto Rico |  | \* |  |
| Illinois |  | \* |  |  | Rhode Island |  | \* |  |
| Indiana |  | \* |  |  | South Carolina |  | \* |  |
| Iowa |  | \* |  |  | South Dakota |  | \* |  |
| Kansas |  | \* |  |  | Tennessee |  | \* |  |
| Kentucky |  | \* |  |  | Texas |  | \* |  |
| Louisiana |  | \* |  |  | US Virgin Islands |  | \* |  |
| Maine |  | \* |  |  | Utah |  | \* |  |
| Maryland |  | \* |  |  | Vermont |  | \* |  |
| Massachusetts |  | \* |  |  | Virginia |  | \* |  |
| Michigan |  | \* |  |  | Washington |  | \* |  |
| Minnesota |  | \* |  |  | West Virginia |  | \* |  |
| Mississippi |  | \* |  |  | Wisconsin |  | \* |  |
| Missouri |  | \* |  |  | Wyoming |  | \* |  |
| Montana |  | \* |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Comments: Massage Therapy licensure requirements vary by state and other individual factors; credentials, training, job experience, criminal history, and military experience. Student applications are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Licensure exams vary throughout the United States are are not always standardized. Legal recognition of massage therapy in the form of state licensing creates standards of minimum competency for entry level practioners and determines who can represent themselves to the public as state licensed massage therapists. Licensing is the most rigorous form of professional regulation, making it a violation of state law for anyone to practice as a massage therapist unless he or she has obtained a license. 45 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands each regulate the massage therapy profession. Depending on the state, this could be in the form of state registration, state certification, or state licensure.