



## Massage Education Policy

Effective July 1, 2017, candidates seeking access to the MBLEx will be required to substantiate either:

- a. enrollment in and having received education and training in all subject areas of the MBLEx Content Outline from an approved massage therapy education program; or
- b. graduation from an approved massage therapy education program.

Substantiation documentation must be submitted to FSMTB directly from the education program.

An approved massage therapy education program is one that is approved or recognized by the state board or agency authorized to regulate massage therapy in the state in which the school is located.

In the event the massage therapy board/agency does not approve or recognize education programs, approval or recognition from the relevant state department of education or like agency, in the state in which the school is located, shall apply. In the event of a conflict between the state board/agency and department of education, the approval or recognition of the massage therapy board/agency shall prevail.

In the event the massage therapy board/agency does not approve or recognize education programs, and there is no approval or recognition from the relevant state department of education or like agency, in the state in which the school is located, the massage therapy education program must obtain approval from FSMTB.

In states that do not require the MBLEx, eligibility for examination is determined by FSMTB.

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