

Cosmetology Licensure COMPACT

Impact

There are approximately 600,000 licensed cosmetologists in the United States. Despite the high demand for cosmetology services, licensees are limited to providing services within state borders. The Cosmetology Licensure Compact seeks to provide licensees with opportunities for multistate practice, support relocating military families, improve the safety of cosmetology services and foster workforce development by reducing unnecessary licensure burdens.

Benefits of the Cosmetology Licensure Compact for Licensees

1. Creates opportunities for employment in new markets.
2. Reduces barriers to employment with expanded license mobility.
3. Supports relocating military spouses and families.

Benefits of the Cosmetology Licensure Compact for Licensing Authorities

1. Creates shared data system which:
 - a. Reduces administrative burdens.
 - b. Provides rapid access to information on licensees, investigations and discipline.
2. Expands cooperation among member states on investigations and disputes.
3. Enhances public safety by reducing fraud and unlicensed activity.

Benefits of the Cosmetology Licensure Compact for States

1. Promotes workforce development and strengthens labor markets.
2. Expands consumer access to services.
3. Preserves state sovereignty.

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