Important Dates and Fees

Recertification by Professional Development

Note: No matter when you apply, all education and work hours must be completed by Nov. 15th of the year you recertify. No applications will be accepted after Dec. 15th.

| Online Applications Recertification Fee: Jan. 1st – Nov 15th |
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| Pencil & Paper (Mailed) Applications Recertification Fee: Jan. 1st – Nov 15th |
| Incomplete Application |
| Recertification by Examination May Examination |
| Online Applications January 1st to April 15th |
| Pencil & Paper (Mailed) Applications January 1st to April 15th |
| November Examination |
| Online Applications May 1st to October 15th |
| Pencil & Paper (Mailed) Applications May 1st to October 15th |
| Inactive Status\$100 Application must be postmarked on or before Dec. 31st of the year certification expires |



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CHT Recertification Requirements and Procedures

| | Recertification by Professional Development – 1st Time Recertifying | Recertification by Professional Development – Recertified Once or More | Recertification by Examination | Inactive Status |
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| General Requirements | Be a current CHT in Good Standing (Active or Inactive); have a current license to practice | Be a current CHT in Good Standing (Active or Inactive); have a current license to practice | Be a current CHT in Good Standing (Active or Inactive); have a current license to practice | Be a current CHT in Good Standing (Active or Inactive); Have a current license to practice (may be active or inactive) |
| Work Requirements | 2,000 hours of hand therapy experience. 1,000 must be in direct practice; the remaining 1,000 may be any combination of direct practice, teaching, research, administration, consultation or activities supporting professional organizations. All hours must be related to the upper quarter. | 2,000 hours of hand therapy experience, which may be any combination of direct practice, teaching, research, administration, consultation or activities supporting professional organizations. All hours must be related to the upper quarter. | None | None |
| Professional Development Requirements | 80 contact hours, with a minimum of 36 in Category A*. All 80 hours may be in Category A. | 80 contact hours, with a minimum of 36 in Category A*. All 80 hours may be in Category A. | None | None |
| Apply Online | Enter all professional development hours and work experience hours online and have them approved. Once approved, complete the recertification application in the year the credential is due to expire. No handbook is required. | Enter all professional development hours and work experience hours online and have them approved. Once approved, complete the recertification application in the year the credential is due to expire. No handbook is required. | Apply for the Certification Examination online. Candidates should download or purchase the recertification handbook before applying. | Apply online in Recertification Section/Inactive Status. Scroll to "How to Apply." |
| Apply by Mail | Download (free PDF) or purchase (\$50) a Recertification Handbook and follow the procedures. | Download (free PDF) or purchase (\$50) a Recertification Handbook and follow the procedures. | Download (free PDF) or purchase (\$50) a Recertification Handbook and follow the procedures. | Download or request the Inactive Status application (free PDF) and return to the HTCC office. |

^{*} Category A includes formal educational courses with content related to the Upper Quarter that award three contact hours or more.