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Advancing Telehealth through Interstate Compacts



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What is an Interstate Compact?

A **legislatively** enacted agreement between states

Allows states to **unitedly** respond to **national and regional priorities**

Retains collective **state sovereignty**

Simple, versatile, proven, and effective



Compacts and Occupational Licensure

- **Reduces** the social costs of licensure while preserving health and safety
 - e.g. Military Families
- **Improves** licensure portability
- **Negates** the need for federal intervention

Compact Benefits for Licensing Boards/Agencies

- **Preserves** state control of scope of practice and licensure
- **Facilitates** the exchange of licensure, investigatory, and disciplinary information
- **Allows** regulators to keep pace with technology
- **Encourages** state cooperation in regulating profession

Compact Benefits for Practitioners

- **Facilitates** mobility/portability of services across state lines
- **Increases** market opportunities including via telehealth
- **Reduce** the time and cost of obtaining licensure
- **Voluntary** participation

Compact Benefits for Consumers

- **Increases** access to health care services, including telehealth
- **Improves** continuity of care
- **Promotes** access to practitioner diversity

Compacts and Telehealth

- **Compliments** federal and state telehealth investments and the services of regional health care organizations
- **Enhances** access to mental health services
 - (e.g. Mental Health Professional Shortage Areas)
- **Adaptable** to the different modes of telehealth

State Participation in Licensure Compacts

States have **enacted 230+** separate pieces of **licensure compact legislation**

44 states, DC & Guam have enacted at least **1 licensure compact**

33 states & DC have enacted at least **3 licensure compacts**

12 states have enacted at least **6 licensure compacts**

Current Licensure Compacts

Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

- 39 states

Physical Therapy Compact

– 34 states

Nurse Licensure Compact

– 39 states

Advance Practice Reg. Nurse Compact

– 3 states

Emergency Medical Services Compact

– 22 states

Psychology Interjurisdictional

– 34 states

Audiology & Speech- Language Pathology

– 23 states

Occupational Therapy Compact

– 22 states

Counseling Compact

– 17 states



Compacts for Mental Health Professionals

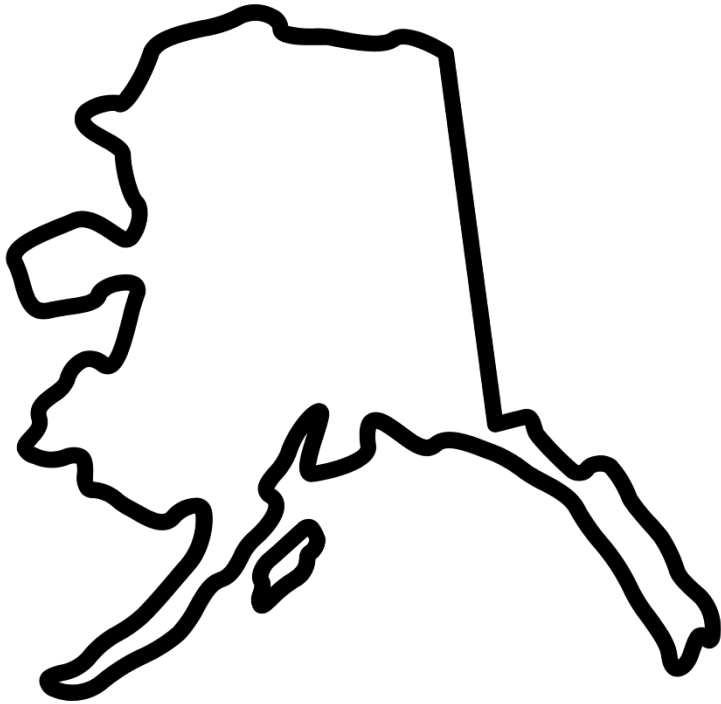


- **PsyPact**
 - Licensed Psychologists
 - 28 states
- **Counseling Compact**
 - Licensed Professional Counselors
 - 10 states
- **Social Work**
 - Under development (Expected 2024)

WWAMI States' Participation in Compacts



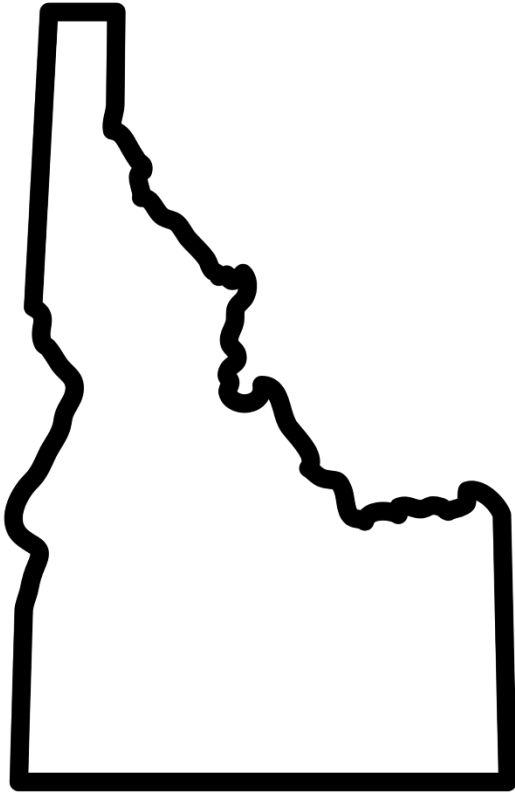
Alaska



- No enacted compacts

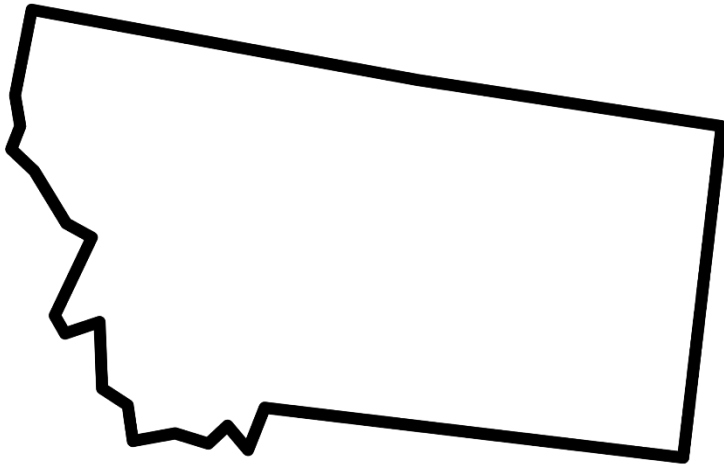


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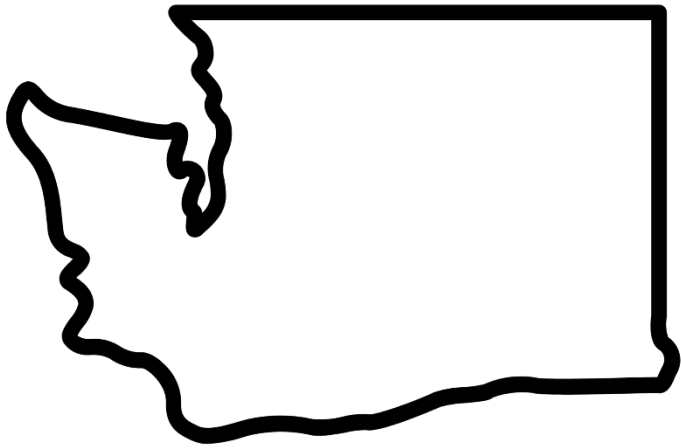
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- Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact
- EMS Compact
- Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Compact

Montana



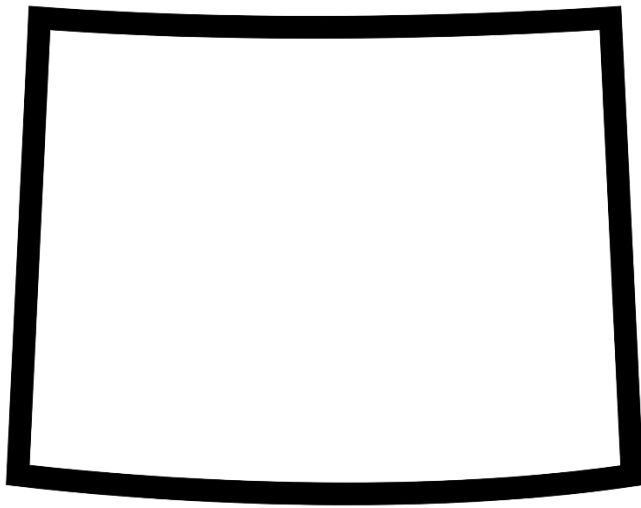
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- Physical Therapy Compact

Washington



- Interstate Medical Licensure Compact
- Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact
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Wyoming



- Interstate Medical Licensure Compact
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