



Centers for Spiritual Living Online Education Program Practitioner Training Affiliation Agreement

DISCUSSION

Centers for Spiritual Living (CSL) requires that all individuals planning to license as Practitioners through Centers for Spiritual Living maintain membership with a CSL Member Community. This policy is listed below.

CSL Policies & Procedures Section 8.3.A(2)

“Maintain membership with a CSL affiliated Member Community. The length of time for membership prior to Practitioner licensing may be determined by the Senior Minister of each Member Community.”

CSL Online Education Program requires that any student enrolled in the Practitioner Training Program through CSL Online Education, must have an Affiliation Agreement on file throughout the duration of Practitioner Training detailing CSL Community membership. Students have two (2) options for affiliation as detailed below.

AFFILIATION OPTIONS

CSL Online Practitioner Education students are expected to declare membership with a CSL Member Community upon application to Practitioner Training through CSL Online Education Program.

Students have one of two options for affiliation for the duration of the Practitioner Training course through CSL Online Education Program.

- 1.) Student is a member of a CSL Member Community: Students who are members of a CSL Member Community at the time of application for entry into the Online Practitioner Education Program are to affiliate with this CSL Member Community for the duration of their time in the Online Practitioner Education Program. Although Practitioner Education is completed through the CSL Online Education Program, the student will be affiliated with their Member Community throughout the duration of Practitioner Training.

The student is required to remain affiliated with the same CSL Member Community throughout the duration of Practitioner Training.*

- 2.) Student is not a member of a CSL Member Community: If the student does not live near a CSL Member Community or is not actively involved in a CSL Member Community, they are automatically affiliated with the CSL Online Education Program for the duration of time in Practitioner Training. The student will be required to actively participate in the CommUnity Gatherings held throughout the Practitioner Training course. The CommUnity Gatherings are made up of online Practitioner I and II students, Practitioner Teachers and Teacher Assistants, and CSL Virtual Practitioners.

The student is required to remain affiliated with the CSL Online Education Program throughout the duration of Practitioner Training.*

APPLICATION TO CHANGE AFFILIATION

*Students in the Online Practitioner Education Program must maintain membership with their affiliated community throughout the duration of Practitioner Studies. Only in unique circumstances may an Online Practitioner Student apply to change their Member Community Affiliation. Students cannot change affiliation without a legitimate reason to do so. Students will be required to complete an application with approval from the CSL Online Education Program, the previous Senior Minister/Spiritual Director (if applicable) and the future Senior Minister/Spiritual Director (if applicable.) There is no guarantee that the change in affiliation will be approved.

To apply for a change in affiliation, please follow the steps below.

- 1.) When a Practitioner Student in the Online Education Program chooses to move their affiliation from one (1) Member Community to another, the Practitioner student will inform their current Senior Minister/Spiritual Director of their intention. The Practitioner student will then meet with the Senior Minister/Spiritual Director of the new Member Community to request a change in affiliation.
- 2.) The Senior Minister/Spiritual Director of the new Member Community has the option to accept or not accept the transfer request. The Senior Minister/Spiritual Director of the new Member Community must contact the former Minister/Director to discuss the transfer of the Practitioner student's affiliation.
- 3.) If the Senior Minister/Spiritual Director of the new Member Community chooses to accept the transfer of affiliation for the Practitioner student, all parties must complete and sign the Application for Affiliation Change form. This form is confirmation that the two (2) Ministers have discussed the Practitioner student's request for affiliation transfer. CSL Online Education Department must receive this form from the new Senior Minister/Spiritual Director and will keep this on file.