

# Practicing Under PSYPACT: Everything You Wanted to Know About PSYPACT

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# Disclosures/Conflicts of Interest

I declare that I am employed as the Executive Director of the PSYPACT Commission.

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# Learning Objectives

1. Explain what an interstate compact is and one example of a compact
2. Discuss what PSYPACT is and two things that it allows psychologists to do in order to ethically and legally practice according to regulations
3. Apply the governing documents for PSYPACT and where to locate them

# So, What is an Interstate Compact

- What it is:
  - It's a ***body politic***
  - It's an ***instrumentality of the state governments*** which join the compact
  - It has rulemaking authority, and its rules have the effect of law in the member states
  - It is, therefore, a multi-state governmental rulemaking body
- What it is not:
  - It's ***not*** a nonprofit corporation
  - It's ***not*** a private "membership" organization
  - It's ***not*** a professional association

# Few Facts About an Interstate Compact

- Simple, versatile and proven tool
- Effective means to address common problems
- Contract between states
- Responds to national priorities with one voice
- Retains collective state sovereignty over issues belonging to the states
- Assist states in developing and enforcing standards while providing a structure that can evolve to meet new and increased demands as needed.

# Best Known Compact

- Les, that license in your wallet, that's not an ordinary piece of paper, that's a driver's license... a license to go wherever, whenever and with whomever you choose.

- License to Drive 1988

- Drivers License Compact:

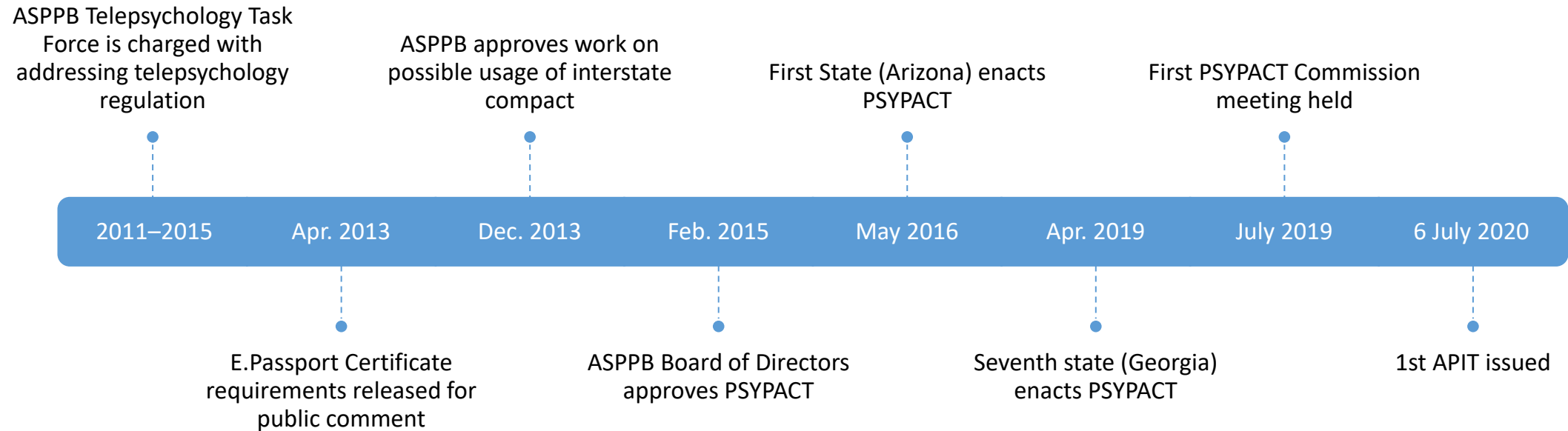


# What is PSYPACT?

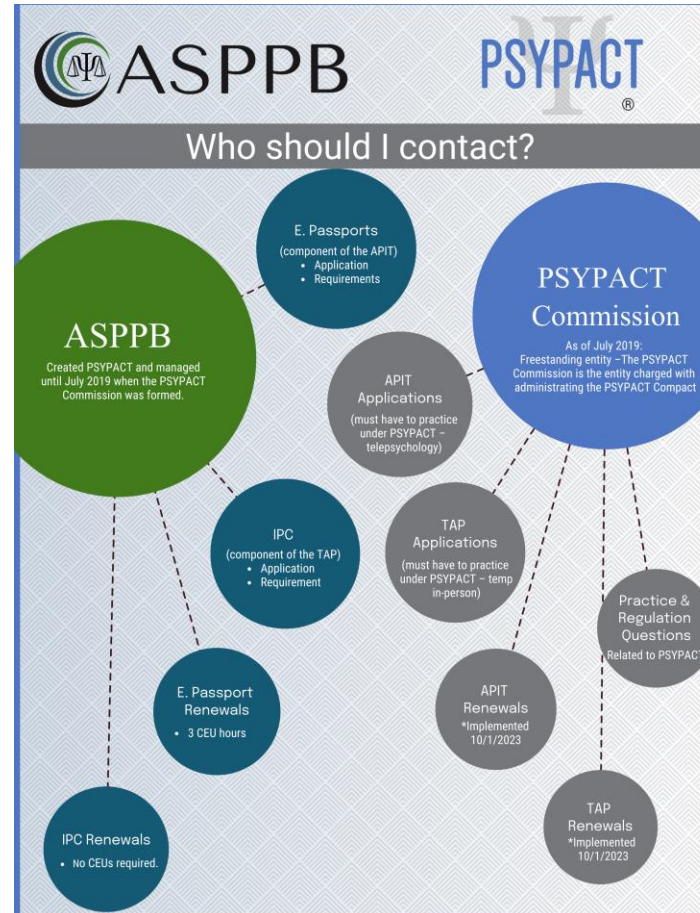
- Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact
- Interstate Compact
- Designed to regulate telepsychology & temporary in-person, face-to-face practice of psychology
- Focuses on psychology and psychologist



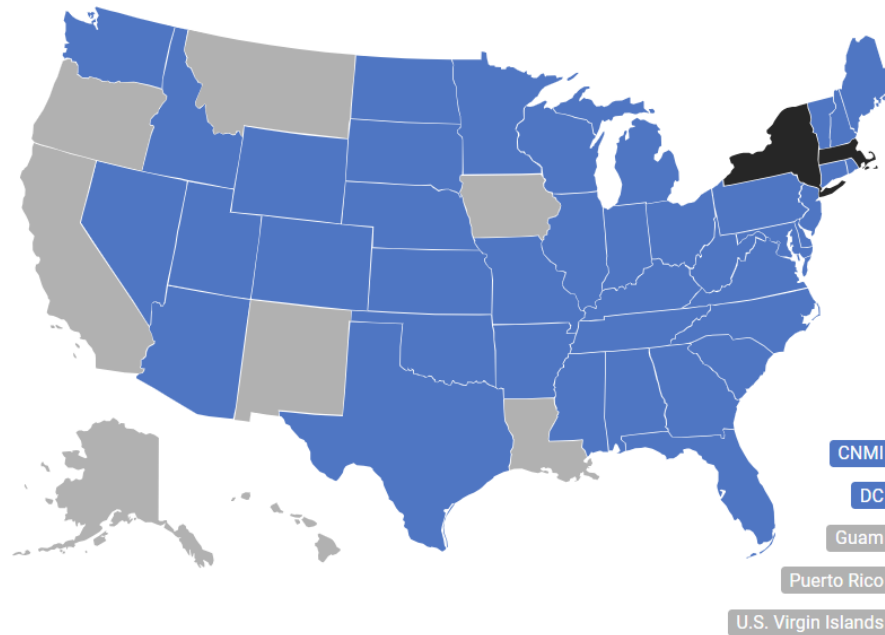
# History of PSYPACT



# What Is The Relationship Between The PSYPACT Commission And ASPPB



# Current Status



## Map Key

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|  PSYPACT Participating State  |  PSYPACT Legislation introduced            |
|  Enacted PSYPACT Legislation - practice under PSYPACT not permitted |  Non- PSYPACT State/ no active Legislation |

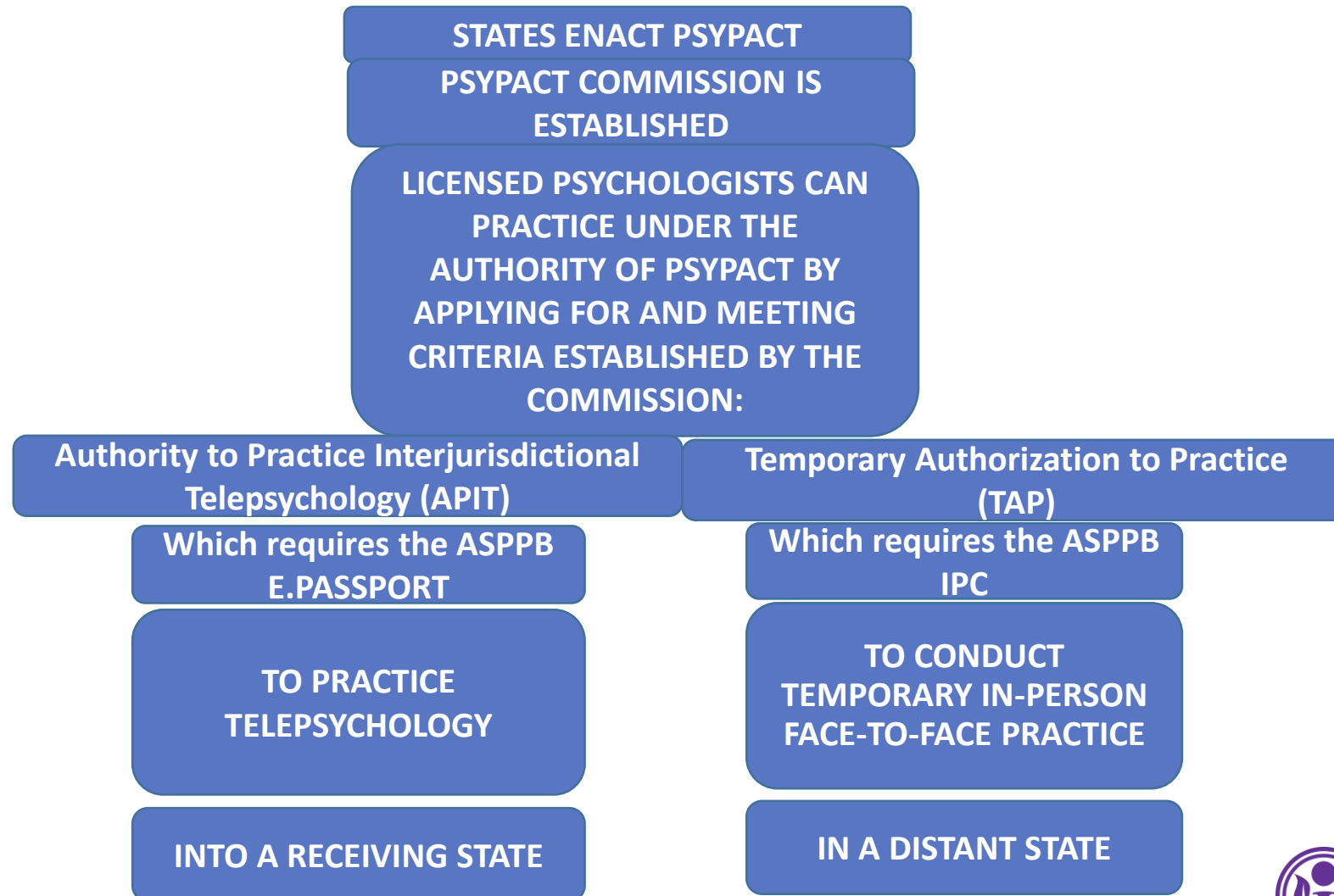
# How Many Authorization Holders Are There?

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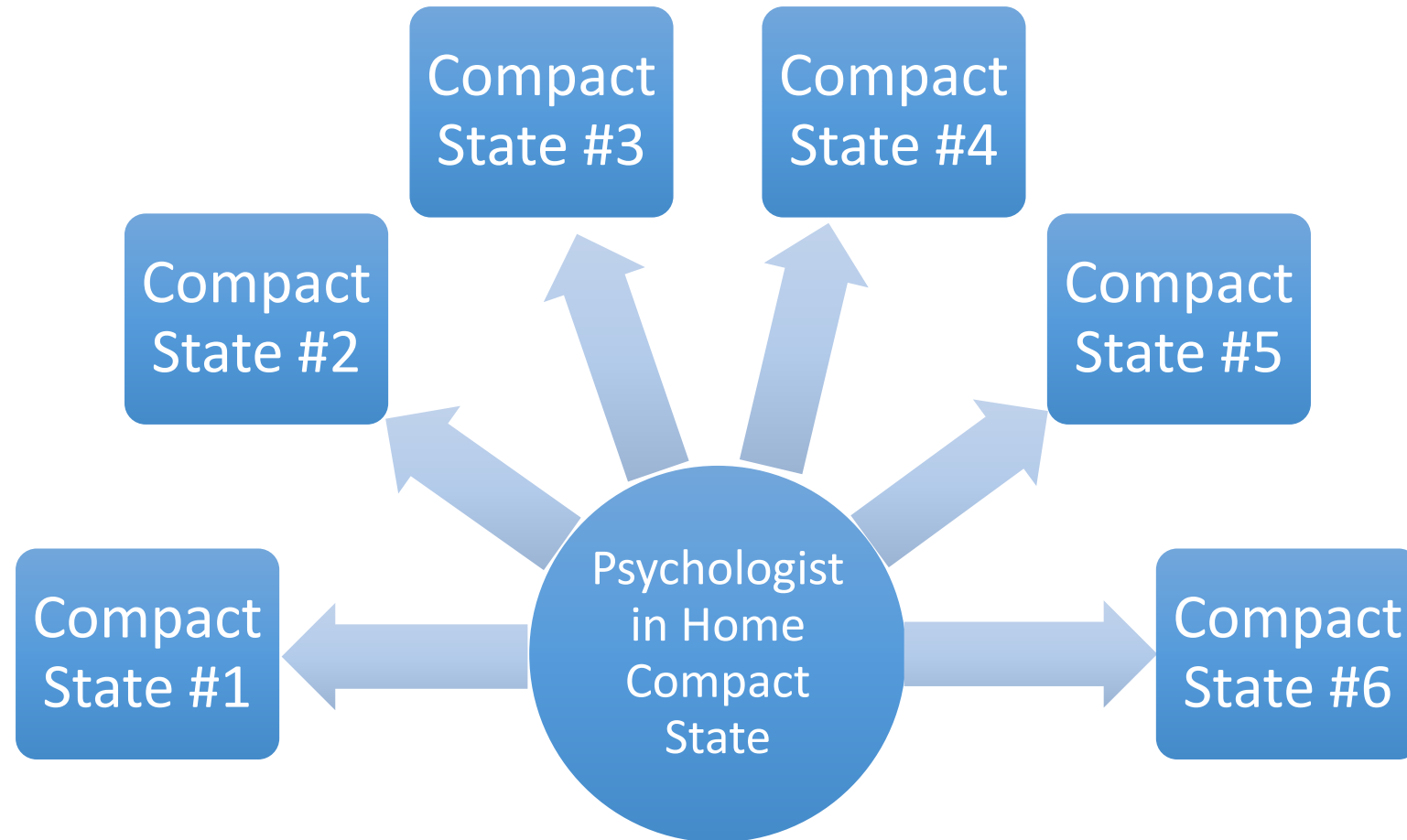
Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology (APIT): 14,632

Temporary Authorization to Practice (TAP): 872

# Overall, How Does PSYPACT Work?



# How Does Telepsychology Work Under PSYPACT?



# What are the PSYPACT & Commission Requirements for Telepsychology (APIT)

ACCEPTABLE  
GRADUATE DEGREE  
IN PSYCHOLOGY

CURRENT FULL AND  
UNRESTRICTED  
LICENSE IN A  
COMPACT STATE

NO HISTORY OF  
ADVERSE ACTION

PROVIDE CURRENT,  
ACTIVE E.PASSPORT

MEET OTHER  
CRITERIA  
ESTABLISHED BY  
COMMISSION

# Does PSYPACT Manage the E.Passport and its Requirements?



E.Passport is an ASPPB Certificate



Commission has an agreement with ASPPB to provide services regarding the vetting of the E.Passport.



E.Passport Requirements



# What Are the E.Passport Requirements?

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Meet educational standards-doctoral degree from an APA/CPA or Joint Designated program

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Possess a current, full and unrestricted license to practice psychology in a Home State which is a Compact State

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Passing score on the EPPP

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No history of adverse action

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Provide attestations in regard to areas of intended practice and work experience and provide a release of information to allow for primary source verification

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Meet other criteria as defined by the Rules of the Commission

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Be held to Guidelines for the Practice of Telepsychology

# What Are the PSYPACT & Commission Requirements for Temporary Practice (TAP)

Acceptable graduate degree in psychology

Current full and unrestricted license in a Compact State

No history of adverse action

Provide current, active Interjurisdictional Practice Certificate (IPC)

Meet other criteria established by Commission

# Does PSYPACT Manage the Interjurisdictional Practice Certificate (IPC) and its Requirements?



IPC is an ASPPB Certificate



Commission has an agreement with ASPPB to provide services regarding the vetting of the IPC



IPC Requirements

# What Are the IPC Requirements?

- Meet educational standards-doctoral degree from an APA/CPA or Joint Designated Program
- Possess a current, full and unrestricted license to practice psychology in a Home State which is a Compact State
- Passing score on the EPPP
- No history of adverse action
- Provide attestations in regard to areas of intended practice and work experience and provide a release of information to allow for primary source verification
- Meet other criteria as defined by the Rules of the Commission
- Review and be aware of the Guidelines for the Practice of Telepsychology

# Exemptions to E.Passport/IPC Requirements

- Education

- Within 18 months of the time the degree was conferred accredited by the American Psychological Association, the Canadian Psychological Association, or designated as a psychology program by the Joint Designation Committee of the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards and the National Register of Health Service Psychologists.
- Applicants who have been licensed prior to January 1, 1985, and have continuously held a license (active or inactive) to practice psychology at the independent level in one or more ASPPB member jurisdictions, based on a doctoral degree in psychology from a regionally accredited institution, are deemed to have met the educational requirements for the E.Passport and/or Interjurisdictional Practice Certificate (IPC).
- Psychologists who have been continuously licensed (active or inactive) for 15 years to practice psychology at the independent level in one or more ASPPB member jurisdictions based on a doctoral degree in psychology conferred prior to 1/1/2000 from a regionally accredited institution may use the Certificate of Professional Qualification (CPQ) to meet the educational requirements of the E.Passport and Interjurisdictional Practice Certificate (IPC).

# Exemptions to E.Passport/IPC Requirements

- Exam
  - 1. Applicants who have been licensed prior to January 1, 1985, and have continuously held a license (active or inactive) to practice psychology at the independent level in one or more ASPPB member jurisdictions, based on a doctoral degree in psychology from a regionally accredited institution, are deemed to have met the educational requirements for the E.Passport and/or Interjurisdictional Practice Certificate (IPC).
  - 2. For applicants who took the EPPP prior to 2001, the passing score is the jurisdictional passing score on which the doctoral-level license is based.

# Does PSYPACT Make Sense Financially For Me?

- Fees:
  - Application: \$440 for E.Passport/APIT - \$240 for IPC/TAP
  - Renewal: \$120 for E.Passport/APIT - \$70 for IPC/TAP
- Psychology Board Licensing Fees ([www.asppbcentre.org](http://www.asppbcentre.org)):
  - Average: \$346 Initial Application Fee
  - Average: \$315 License Renewal Fee

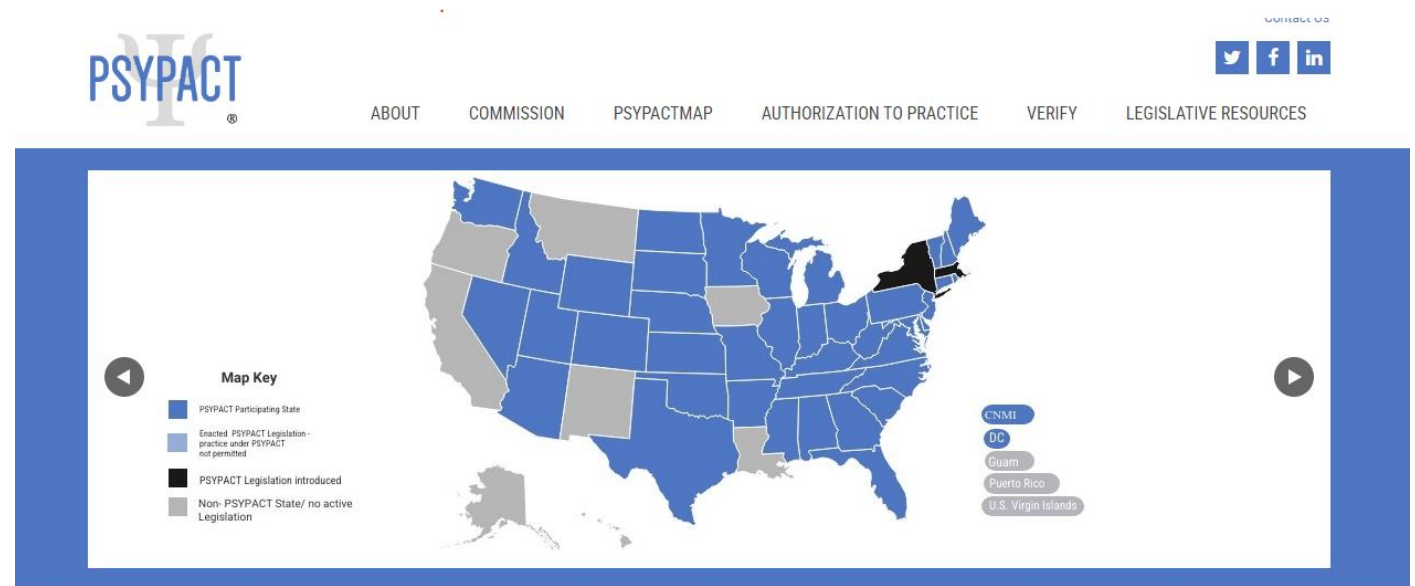
# What Do I Need?

- In order to practice telepsychology under the authority of PSYPACT, you will need to obtain two PSYPACT related credentials:
  - ASPPB E.Passport AND
  - Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology (APIT) granted from the PSYPACT Commission
- You must first apply for and obtain an ASPPB E.Passport before your PSYPACT required APIT application will be started.
- **You cannot practice under PSYPACT until you have obtained your APIT issued by the PSYPACT Commission.**



# Where Do I Go First To Apply?

- [www.psypact.gov](http://www.psypact.gov)



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Reducing regulatory barriers.

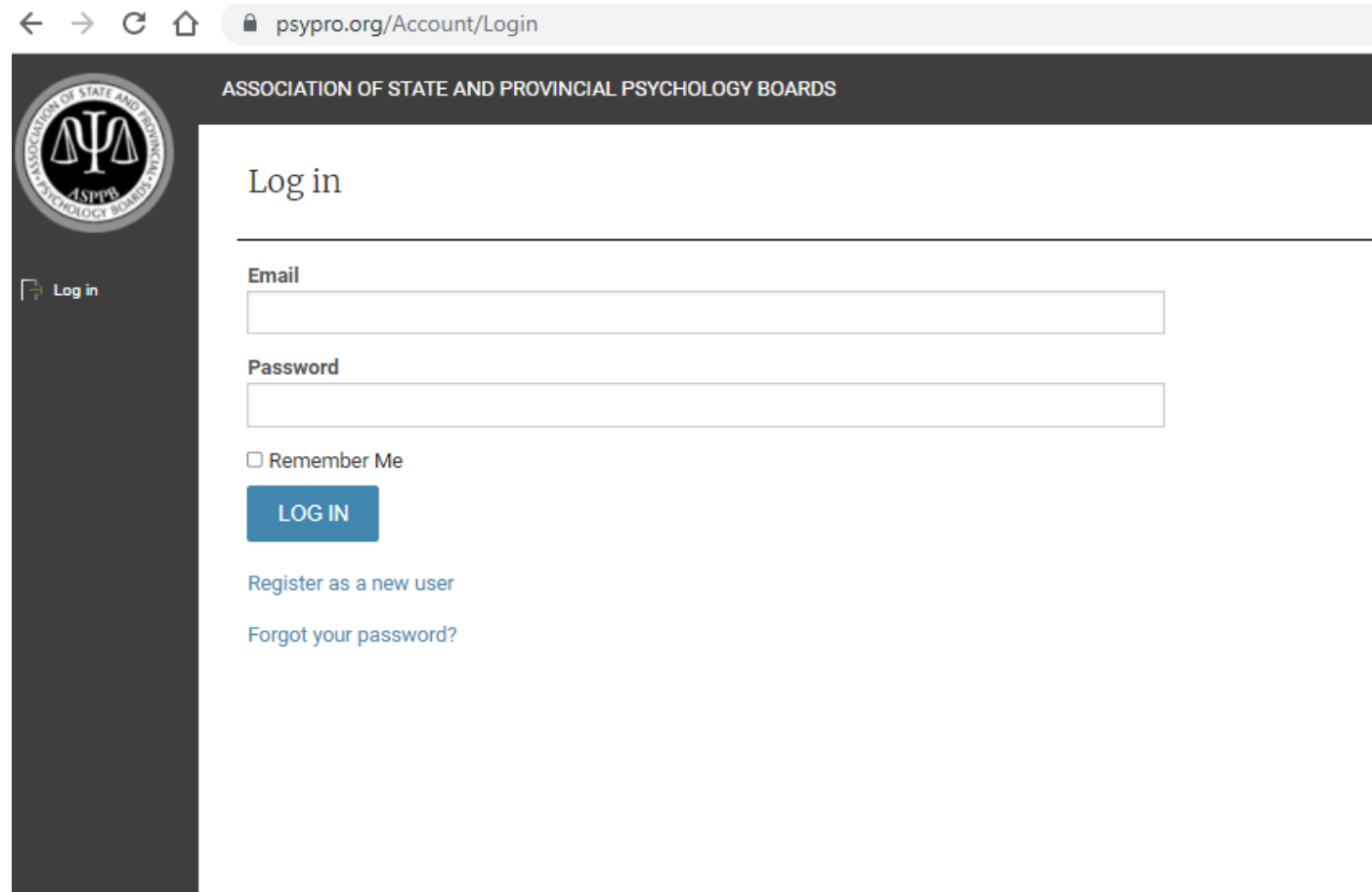
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TO START YOUR APPLICATION TO PRACTICE TELEPSYCHOLOGY UNDER PSYPACT, CLICK [HERE](#).


TO START YOUR APPLICATION TO PRACTICE TEMPORARILY UNDER PSYPACT, CLICK [HERE](#).

# How Do I Apply: Login or Create a PSY|PRO Account (psypro.org)



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying "psypro.org/Account/Login". The page header features the ASPPB logo on the left and the text "ASSOCIATION OF STATE AND PROVINCIAL PSYCHOLOGY BOARDS" on the right. The main content area is titled "Log in" and contains a horizontal line. Below this line are two input fields: "Email" and "Password". Under the "Password" field is a checkbox labeled "Remember Me". A blue "LOG IN" button is positioned below the checkbox. At the bottom of the login section, there are two links: "Register as a new user" and "Forgot your password?".

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Log in

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# How Do I Apply: Initiate An Application By Selecting E.Passport/APIT Application

## My Activity Summary

Welcome to your PSY|PRO ® Home page! Your Home page is a great place to track your Credentials Bank activity, apply for mobility certificates, and view your application and service history. To get started on your Credentials Bank record, edit any of the pages listed under the My Credentials Bank section below. To apply for our certificates or to make an EPPP Score Transfer request, make a selection from the Select an Activity feature to the right. Use the Application History section to access applications in progress or view completed application checklists. You can always come right back to your Home page by selecting Home in the navigation bar on the left. Let's get started!

## My Application History

Your application history will show any open or completed applications. You can use this to access your open applications or view any completed application checklists.

Activity	Stage	Date Started	Actions
No additional applications at this time.			

## My Credentials Bank

Banking your credentials is very important for your future and is an excellent way to prepare for licensing and career needs. The Credentials Bank provides you with safe, long-term, electronic storage of your professional information and documents. Select Click to

## My Info

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## Select an Activity

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[IPC/TAP Application](#)  
[Applying for the CPQ](#)  
[Transferring my Records from a Closed Program](#)  
[Applying to take the PEP](#)

# Important Points of Note in the Application Process

- Must have your transcript sent to ASPPB and must be received and uploaded before you will be able to submit your application for review.
  - Electronically send transcripts to: [transcripts@asppb.org](mailto:transcripts@asppb.org)
  - Mail transcripts to ASPPB, P. O. Box 849 Tyrone, GA 30290
  - For schools that have closed, contact Parchment at <https://www.parchment.com/order/my-credentials/>
- Must now have 3 hours of training relevant to the use of technology in psychology for E.Passport at time of application

# Where Can I Find The PSYPACT Governing Documents?

## <https://psypact.gov/page/governance>



Compact Language:

[https://cdn.ymaws.com/psypact.site-ym.com/resource/resmgr/psychology\\_interjurisdiction.pdf](https://cdn.ymaws.com/psypact.site-ym.com/resource/resmgr/psychology_interjurisdiction.pdf)



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Rules:

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Policies and Procedures:

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# Governance Documents of Interest

- Rules
  - Rule 4 – Compact Privilege to Practice Telepsychology
    - 4.10 State Law to Protect the Health and Safety of its Citizens
    - 4.13 – Authorization Validity
  - Rule 5 – Compact Temporary Authorization to Practice
    - 5.10 State Law to Protect the Health and Safety of its Citizens
    - 5.13 – Authorization Validity
  - Rule 6 – Conditions of Telepsychology Practice into a Receiving State
- Policies
  - Policy 2.4 Notification of change in home state
  - Policy 2.6 Guidelines for advertising PSYPACT Credentials

# Can My Authorization Be Verified?

## verifypsypact.org



### Verification of PSYPACT Authorizations

PSYPACT is an interstate compact that allows psychologists licensed in PSYPACT to practice telepsychology and/or practice temporarily into other PSYPACT participating states. In order to practice telepsychology under the authority of PSYPACT, a psychologist must have an active Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology (APIT) granted from the PSYPACT Commission. In order to practice temporarily under the authority of PSYPACT, a psychology must have an active Temporary Authorization to Practice (TAP) granted from the PSYPACT Commission. The PSYPACT Commission provides online primary source verification of these authorizations. To view all psychologists holding a current APIT or TAP, use the search by method below to get started. If you have any questions or need any additional information for PSYPACT verifications, contact us at [info@psypact.org](mailto:info@psypact.org).

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# Where Can I Find Out More About PSYPACT?

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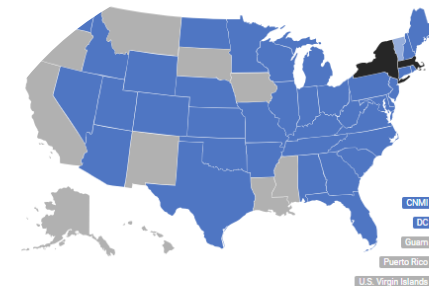
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APPLICATION TO PRACTICE TEMPORARILY UNDER PSYPACT C

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1. 2023	Training and Public Relations Committee	Zoom Teleconference 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM Eastern Register <a href="#">HERE</a>	
30, 2023	Requirements Review Committee	Zoom Teleconference 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM Eastern Register <a href="#">HERE</a>	
2023	Finance Committee	Zoom Teleconference 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM Eastern Register <a href="#">HERE</a>	<a href="#">Agenda</a>
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## Map Key

- PSYPACT Participating State
- Enacted PSYPACT Legislation - practice under PSYPACT not permitted
- PSYPACT Legislation introduced

Interjurisdictional Compact (PSYPACT®) is an interstate compact designed to facilitate the practice of telepsychology, face-to-face practice of psychology across state boundaries.

The PSYPACT Commission is the governing body of PSYPACT responsible for creating and finalizing the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations. The Commission is also responsible for granting psychologists the authority to practice telepsychology and temporary in-person, face-to-face practice across state boundaries.

**Telepsychology** In order to practice telepsychology in PSYPACT states, psychologists licensed in PSYPACT states only can apply to the PSYPACT Commission for an Authority to Practice Interjurisdictional Telepsychology (APIT™). One required component of this authority granted from the PSYPACT Commission is that psychologists must obtain an E.Passport Certificate from ASPPB. To learn more or to start an application, click [HERE](#).

**Temporary Practice** In order to conduct temporary practice in PSYPACT states, psychologists licensed in PSYPACT states only can apply to the PSYPACT Commission for a Temporary Authorization to Practice (TAP™). One required component of this authorization granted from the PSYPACT Commission is that psychologists must apply for and obtain an Interjurisdictional Practice Certificate (IPC) from ASPPB. To learn more or to start an application, click [HERE](#).

**\*Providers are responsible for maintaining knowledge of and complying with each PSYPACT State's laws, rules, and regulations - for each PSYPACT state the provider is practicing into or out of.\***



Strategic Planning

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# Q&A With Ms. Orwig



- We will now discuss select questions that were submitted via the Q&A feature throughout the presentation.
- Due to time constraints, we will not be able to address every question asked.

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