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Aromatherapy Regulation and Licensure Information

At this time there is no STATE licensure or laws for aromatherapy in the USA. Most qualified aromatherapists incorporate their aromatherapy training with another profession that they are 'licensed' in, ie; Licensed Massage Therapist, Registered Nurse, Licensed Acupuncturist, Medical Doctor, Naturopath Physician etc.

Any topical application of essential oils would require one to have a professional license ie; massage therapy. Depending on the STATE that you reside and offer your services in, you would need to contact the STATE Board of the particular profession for more information.

As with any licensed profession it is the responsibility of the practitioner to abide by their professions code of ethics and to be aware of their professions state laws regarding regulation and licensure and to abide by their scope of practice.

Code of Ethics <http://www.naha.org/ethics.htm>

Scope of Practice http://www.naha.org/rdt_statement.htm

Please visit the NAHA FAQ page for additional information on Frequently Asked Questions and Answers regarding aromatherapy as a profession, safety awareness and aromatherapy research links
<http://www.naha.org/faq.htm> <http://www.naha.org/research.htm>

Helpful links to research STATE Law and Regulation regarding Massage Therapy

AMTA (American Massage Therapy Association) which has an additional link on State Law Licensure data listed per State.

<http://www.amtamassage.org/>
<http://www.amtamassage.org/about/lawstate.html>

Links to American Bodywork and Massage Practitioners and the National Certification Bodywork and Massage Therapy's websites

<http://www.abmp.com/home/index.html>
<http://www.ncbtmb.com/>

Massage Today <http://www.massagetoday.com> a free subscription is available to Massage Therapists and you can view information, including an Aromatherapy Column written by fellow board member, Shellie Enteen BA LMT.