

**CPCS Certification Maintenance Fees** support the administration of the certification program; which also includes monthly reports to the Georgia Licensing Board about compliance, answering and resolving supervision questions/issues, and certification audit processes.

\$75 is the yearly CPCS maintenance fee:

- **LPCA Current Clinical CPCS Member: CPCS maintenance fees and administration fees are included with active Clinical membership. Exceptions:**
  - Must maintain active LPCA Clinical member status at all times to avoid fees
  - Additional processing/application fees are due for late recertification/reactivation (October 1 – December 31 of even number years).
  - If Clinical membership lapses, the yearly maintenance fee is due to continue the CPCS certification.
  - If Clinical membership is not renewed by the expiration date, the CPCS also expires unless the membership is converted to CPCS nonmember status at that time.
- **Retired / Student (Doctoral) / Affiliate Member:** CPCS fees are the same as a CPCS nonmember.
- **CPCS Nonmember: CPCS maintenance fee is due September 30<sup>th</sup> of each year.** (no matter when the CPCS is granted)
  - The fee is due every September, no matter when the CPCS is granted. (For example, if CPCS is issued on November 1, 2018, the maintenance fee is immediately due on November 1s to continue the certification to September 30, 2019.)
  - The maintenance fee is separate from the CPCS application fee.
  - The maintenance fee is immediately due when the CPCS credential is issued or recertified.

CPCS application fee:

- Included with active Clinical Membership.
- The current CPCS application fee is \$169 for Nonmembers.
- The current CPCS application fee is \$169 for Retired members and Student (Doctoral) members.

Recertification of the CPCS:

- The CPCS certification is valid for up to two (2) years, depending on the issue date.
  - For example, if the CPCS is issued on November 1, 2018, it still expires on September 30, 2019, then again on September 30, 2020.
- The CPCS must be renewed by September 30 on even number years (2020, 2022, etc.). This is tied to the Georgia Composite Board Licensure Renewal schedule.
  - For example, if CPCS is issued on November 1, 2018. It must be recertified by September 30, 2020.
- Additional Late Fee(s) are due for recertification applications submitted between October 1 - December 31 of even number years.
- Once the CPCS certification has expired and the Late Period has passed (December 31, 2018 for this licensure renewal cycle), you will have to reapply and complete a new CPCS application.

Lapsed/Inactive CPCS Status:

- As of October 1, 2018, due to the licensing board rule 135-5-.02 section 5 (iv), if the CPCS becomes inactive/lapsed, you must cease and desist from using the CPCS credential on ALL communications, marketing materials, website listings, etc.
- Please understand that LPCA of Georgia is obligated to report CPCS supervisors who are not in compliance to the licensing board.