

1st STOP CHECKLIST: HYPNOTIST

REQUIREMENTS & REGULATIONS

- [] There are no state-level licensing requirements for hypnotists.
- [] Hypnosis for medical purposes (for example, examination or therapy) can only be used by licensed doctors of osteopathy, podiatry or medicine, or by licensees of other Ohio regulatory agencies allowed to grant such privileges (such as the State Board of Psychology). For more information, contact the State Medical Board of Ohio at **(614) 466-3934**. Information is also available on-line at <http://med.ohio.gov>.
- [] There are procedures the State Board of Psychology has judged as **serious hazards to mental health and may only be performed by licensed psychologists**. These procedures include, but are not limited to, “hypnotic techniques for diagnostic, treatment or other psychotherapeutic purposes” (**Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Section 4732-5-01B**). For more information, contact the **State Board of Psychology** at **(614) 466-8808**. Information is also available on-line at <http://psychology.ohio.gov>.
- [] **You may not** use the word “Counselor” or offer “professional counseling for a fee” unless you are licensed as a counselor by Ohio’s Counselor and Social Worker Board. **You may**, however, use the words “Advisor” or “Consultant.” If you have questions about the use of the title “Counselor,” contact the Counselor and Social Worker Board at **(614) 466-0912**. Information and forms are also available on-line at <http://cswmft.ohio.gov>.
- [] If you will make retail sales (such as books or other tangible goods), you need a **vendor’s license**. Contact **YOUR COUNTY AUDITOR**.
- [] If you have questions about sales tax, contact the **OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION** at **(888) 405-4039 for Business Tax Assistance; 888-405-4089 for Tax Registration; or (800) 282-1782 for the Forms Request Line**. Information is also on-line at <http://tax.ohio.gov>.

For more help, contact your local Small Business Development Center (SBDC).

www.ohiosbdc.ohio.gov

REMEMBER TO CHECK LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

THIS CHECKLIST IS ABOUT STATE REQUIREMENTS.