



GEHA Practitioner Code of Operations (Scope of Practice)

1. GEHA requires that all GEHA practitioners' clients become a GEHA non-credentialed "Member" of the "Association" at no cost to the client (hereafter referred to as member or client). This is explained in the GEHA [LifeCare Agreement](#). GEHA is a religious 501(c)(3) Ecclesiastical organization and as such, under the laws of the Constitution of the United States, you and your clients may follow the religious practice of your choice, but GEHA's services are rooted in Ecclesiastical principles and are not a substitute for medical or state-licensed healthcare services. When a client chooses a Licensed Ecclesiastical Holistic Practitioner and signs the LifeCare Agreement, they make a personal choice concerning their wellness. The LifeCare Agreement is located on your Holistic Health Link (HHL) profile. It is required that all clients join the Association by signing the agreement. After you pay your GEHA admission fee, training will be posted to your GEHA dashboard to learn more about your listing.
2. As a GEHA Licensed Practitioner, you agree to uphold the highest ethical standards by:
 - Acting with integrity, honesty, and professionalism in all interactions with clients and GEHA.
 - Respecting the confidentiality and privacy of clients, ensuring their personal information is safeguarded.
 - Providing services within the scope of your training, GEHA licensing, and Ecclesiastical boundaries.
 - Avoiding any misleading claims or representations about your qualifications, services, or outcomes.
 - Maintaining compliance with all applicable state laws and GEHA's Code of Operations.
 - Continuously seeking to improve your knowledge and skills to provide quality wellness services.
3. You must advise clients that you are not a medical doctor. This must be in your intake form and any additional waiver and verbally mentioned when you consult with clients. It is the GEHA practitioner's responsibility to comply with state laws. GEHA provides guidance but does not assume responsibility for individual compliance.
4. If you hold a license with GEHA, and in addition hold a state license, you are not authorized to integrate or amalgamate Medical Treatment with any GEHA [Ecclesiastical] holistic natural wellness services. Depending on the facts and circumstances, some states may require physically separate offices, including waiting rooms. If you are a state-licensed healthcare provider, it is your responsibility to abide by the laws of your state. Consult with a legal advisor or state board to clarify specific state requirements.
5. **GEHA does NOT provide professional liability insurance, but you are pre-qualified for professional liability when you become a licensed GEHA practitioner.** [More details here.](#) While Licensees gain certain legal protections under the terms of the GEHA Lifecare Agreement; GEHA does not cover nor provide insurance to Licensees. GEHA requires all Licensees to have a

professional liability insurance policy for any services the Licensee offers. Such policy must list GEHA as an additional insured “Guardian Ecclesiastical Holistic Association, Inc., 1919 Baywood Dr., Unit A, Sarasota, FL 34231.” You hereby agree to always obtain and maintain coverage while your GEHA License is in effect. If your current insurance covers the Ecclesiastical Services that the GEHA License allows, you do not need to purchase an additional policy. However, you are required to add GEHA as an additional insured. Proof of insurance must be submitted within 30 days of paying your GEHA Admission fee to: insurance@gehassociation.org. You will be required to resubmit an updated policy when your annual report is due (every 365 days). Failure to submit this report and/or maintain insurance shall subject the Licensee to a license suspension until proof of insurance is provided. Failure to maintain adequate insurance to cover “all” holistic services you provide shall be cause for license termination. Additionally, GEHA reserves the right to suspend or terminate a license for any violation of the Code of Operations. This includes notifying the Licensee of violations, allowing a response period, reviewing and deciding on corrective actions, issuing a suspension if unresolved, providing an appeals process, and terminating or reinstating the license based on compliance. GEHA also retains the right to terminate a license at its sole discretion, regardless of cause, to protect the integrity of the organization and its mission.

6. You cannot describe yourself as a “Physician.” You are a Licensed Ecclesiastical Holistic Practitioner, a Specialist in Holistic services; Holistic Wellness services are not described as “Primary Care.”
7. You are not permitted to verbally say or claim in any advertisement, conversation or documents of any kind to “treat,” “diagnose,” “cure,” “prescribe,” or “prevent” diseases, in your holistic practice or during consultations. You may only advise or educate your GEHA “member” clients.
8. You cannot “prescribe” drugs, supplements, herbs, homeopathic remedies, or other natural remedies. However, you may “recommend” natural supplements, herbs, homeopathic remedies, Biblical wellness principles and modalities, other natural remedies, or suggest lifestyle changes. In some states this type of practice may require a state license. It is the practitioner’s responsibility to make sure you are following state laws.
9. As a Licensed member (ministerial credential) of GEHA you are exempt from state licensing laws if you are practicing properly in accordance with the laws of your state. However, it is the GEHA practitioners' responsibility to maintain client confidentiality, securely handle data, and comply with any applicable privacy laws. You should follow privacy laws relevant to your state or jurisdiction.
10. The GEHA Licensed Practitioner may use devices or machines in the holistic services provided. However, in our Code of Operations, the GEHA License does not cover, support, or legally assume any liability for services that a licensee provides concerning devices (mechanical or non-mechanical), wellness equipment, product, protocol or substance. It is the licensee’s responsibility to thoroughly investigate the legality and liability of said services/equipment. You must also be certain these services are within the Ecclesiastical boundaries of what you are authorized and trained to provide to clients. We recommend that the abovementioned be discussed with an insurance company to make sure of proper coverage.
11. As a GEHA Licensed Practitioner, you are encouraged to use social media and other marketing platforms to promote your services in a manner that aligns with GEHA’s mission and values. All content must reflect professionalism, honesty, and respect for the ecclesiastical nature of your

practice. Practitioners must represent their services accurately, avoiding misleading claims or guarantees, and must not use restricted terms such as “treat,” “diagnose,” “cure,” “prescribe,” or “prevent” in any promotional materials or communications. Marketing efforts should focus on educating and informing potential clients about holistic wellness and the scope of services offered under their GEHA license while ensuring compliance with GEHA’s Code of Operations and relevant state laws. Additionally, practitioners must refrain from any content or actions on social media that could harm GEHA’s reputation or misrepresent its mission. Any violations of these guidelines may result in disciplinary action, including suspension or termination of your license.

12. Any recommendations made by the GEHA License Practitioner, are in addition to, and not intended to replace any prescribed medication/treatment from a client’s physician or any other medical provider. The advice for a change in lifestyle and for any supplementation (see #7) is for educational wellness purposes.

13. Any disputes or conflicts arising between GEHA and its Licensees shall first be addressed through good faith discussions. If unresolved, the matter will proceed to mediation. Should mediation fail, the dispute will be settled through binding arbitration in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association. Each party shall bear its own costs, and arbitration decisions will be final and binding.

*GEHA does not provide legal nor tax advice nor representation to its practitioners. Practitioners are encouraged to seek independent legal and tax counsel for matters beyond the scope of GEHA’s operations or services. However, practitioners have access to the NCLL (National Center for Life and Liberty), for guidance and support. *This disclaimer is subject to change, and practitioners will be notified of any updates to GEHA’s policies.*