PRIVATE PRACTICE STARTUP CHECKLIST

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1	Get licensed in your state	
2	Get or find your <u>NPI number</u>	
3	Select a business name	
4	Determine your business structure (Sole-Proprietor, S-Corp, LLC, etc.)	
5	Sign up for Malpractice Insurance: at least \$1,000,000/\$3,000,000 coverage	
6	Create a professional email account	
7	Apply for a Business License (or two if needed for city, county, township, municipality, UNI)	
8	Register your business with your state government	
9	Create a business plan	
10	Decide on the services you want to provide (individual, group, etc.)	
11	Set clear policies (cancellation policy, etc.)	
12	Create intake paperwork	
13	Decide on software and structure for case notes	
14	Create vacation or transition plan	
15	Create professional will	
16	Join CAMFT or other professional organization to connect with others	
17	Conduct a HIPAA compliance audit of your practices, record keeping	
18	Hire a CPA and work with them to determine fee schedule and budget	
19	Open a business bank account	
20	Choose a bookkeeping system or software (Quickbooks, Honeybook, etc.)	



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21	Create a mission and vision statement for your practice	
22	Identify and articulate your practice niche	
23	Write a 1-2 paragraph statement about your therapeutic approach	
24	Build a website for your practice with your own domain name	
25	Build a marketing plan for your practice	
26	Get a headshot, preferably a professional one	
27	List practice on online directories: Psychology Today, Good Therapy, etc.	
28	Determine if you want to create secondary income streams (i.e., speaking)	
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