

IAAP CERTIFICATION STANDARDS

Addiction Professional In Training (APIT) Requirements for this level are the following:

Provide documentation of one of the following:

a. Documentation of having completed a practicum consisting of 320 hours under the direct supervision of an IAAP approved supervisor* AND verification of having completed an Addiction-Specific program at a college or university. (Students having completed this requirement will have the equivalent of one year of experience in the addiction's field.)

Students having completed this requirement need only complete the certification application and submit the required documentation.

b. OR Documentation of one year of supervised experience (2000 hrs) as an addiction counselor under the direct supervision of an IAAP-approved supervisor*.

1. The IAAP-approved supervisor* must hold one of the following credentials:
 - a. ICAC II with a Master's Degree in the human services or related field
 - b. NCAC II with a Master's Degree in the human services or related health field
 - c. Master Addiction Counselor (MAC) certification
 - d. ASAM certification
2. Receive a passing score on the NAADAC national written examination for level I within four (4) years of the date of application.
3. Provide documentation of a minimum of six (6) hours of training in Ethics AND a minimum of six (6) hours of training in HIV/AIDS.
4. Complete an application for APIT certification with the signed and dated affirmation of having read and agreed to abide by the IAAP Code of Ethics.
5. Pay the appropriate application and certification fees.

Individuals may be permitted to utilize their current existing clinical supervision to satisfy IAAP-approved supervision until January 1, 2007. Effective January 1, 2007, any clinical supervision provided for certification purposes will need to be conducted by individuals with ICAC II with a Master's Degree in the human services or related field, NCAC II with a Master's Degree in the human services or related health field, Master Addiction Counselor (MAC) certification through NAADAC or NBCC, or ASAM certification.

Indiana Certified Addiction Counselor Level I (ICAC I)

Requirements for this level are the following:

1. Provide documentation of three (3) years full-time or 6000 hrs of supervised experience as an addiction counselor. The three years need not be consecutive. (Students having completed a Bachelors Degree in Addiction counseling from an Addiction-specific program at a college or university AND provide documentation of completion of a minimum of a 320 hour practicum in Addictions will have the equivalent of two years of experience in the addiction's field.)
2. Provide documentation of 270 contact hours of education and training in alcohol, drug, gambling, sexual, eating, internet or any other form of addiction recognized by IAAP. 100 hours must be specific to chemical dependency.
3. Provide documentation of a minimum of six (6) hours of training in:
 - a. Ethics
 - b. Infectious Diseases
 - c. Psychopharmacology
 - d. Group Counseling Skill Development
 - e. Co-Occurring Disorders
 - f. HIV/AIDS
4. Complete 50 hours of group or individual supervision.

Direct supervision must be conducted face-to-face with a supervisor who holds, and can provide written verification of one of the following:

- a. ICAC II with a Master's Degree in the human services or related field,
 - b. NCAC II with a Master's Degree in the human services or related health field,
 - c. Master Addiction Counselor (MAC) certification,
 - d. ASAM certification
5. Receive a passing score on the NAADAC written examination for Level I within four (4) years of the date of application.
 6. Complete an application for ICAC I certification with the signed and dated affirmation of having read and agreed to abide by the IAAP Code of Ethics.
 7. Pay the appropriate application and certification fees.

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human services or related health field, Master Addiction Counselor (MAC) certification through NAADAC or NBCC, or ASAM certification.

Indiana Certified Addiction Counselor Level II (ICAC II)

Requirements for this level are the following:

1. Possess a minimum of a Bachelors degree in Health of Human services field.
2. Provide documentation of five (5) years full-time (10,000 hours) of experience as an addiction counselor. The five years need not be consecutive. (Students having completed a Bachelors Degree in Addiction counseling from an Addiction-specific program at a college or university AND provide documentation of completion of a minimum of a 320 hour practicum in Addictions will have the equivalent of two years of experience in the addiction's field.)
3. Provide documentation of 450 contact hours of education and training in alcohol, drug, gambling, sexual, eating, internet or any other form of addiction recognized by IAAP. 180 hours must be specific to chemical dependency.
4. Provide documentation of a minimum of six (6) hours of training in:
 - a. Ethics
 - b. Infectious Diseases
 - c. Psychopharmacology
 - d. Group Counseling Skill Development
 - e. Co-Occurring Disorders
 - f. HIV/AIDS
5. Complete 100 hours of group or individual supervision.

Direct supervision must be conducted face-to-face with a supervisor who holds, and can provide written verification of one of the following:

- a. ICAC II with a Master's Degree in the human services or related health field,
 - b. NCAC II with a Master's Degree in the human services or related health field,
 - c. Master Addiction Counselor (MAC) certification,
 - d. ASAM certification.
6. Receive a passing score on the NAADAC written examination for Level II within four (4) years of the date of application.
 7. Complete an application for ICAC II certification with the signed and dated affirmation of having read and agreed to abide by the IAAP Code of Ethics.

8. Pay the appropriate application and certification fees.

Individuals may be permitted to utilize their current existing clinical supervision to satisfy IAAP-approved supervision until January 1, 2007. Effective January 1, 2007, any clinical supervision provided for certification purposes will need to be conducted by individuals with ICAC II with a Master's Degree in the human services or related field, NCAC II with a Master's Degree in the human services or related health field, Master Addiction Counselor (MAC) certification through NAADAC or NBCC, or ASAM certification.

Reciprocity:

Addiction counselors seeking certification at a specific level must complete all of criteria listed therein with one exception. The IC/RC written exam may be substituted for the NAADAC written examination.

Renewals:

Two (2) years from the date the initial certification was issued, and every two (2) years thereafter, the counselor must apply for recertification. **The APIT may only be renewed one time; whereas, the ICAC I and ICAC II may be renewed indefinitely.**

Recertification requires:

1. Complete an application for Recertification for the appropriate certification category with the appropriate application and certification fees.
2. Documentation of forty (40) contact hours of education and/or training since the last certification date in which twenty (20) of the hours are in a specific addiction discipline (alcohol, drugs, gambling, sexual) recognized by IAAP. The remaining twenty (20) hours may be in other subject areas pertaining to human services, and must include four (4) hours of ethics training.
3. Documentation of supervision received and/or experience gained during the certification period.
4. Complete a signed and dated affirmation verifying the continued commitment and adherence to the IAAP Code of Ethics.