

Credentials – Certified Co-Occurring Disorders Professional (CCDP-Associate)

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The Scope of Practice for all levels of the CCDP credential is as follows: This credential is intended for the behavioral health professional with experience and training in the integrated treatment of and interactive relationship between substance use and mental disorders.

All applicants must meet the following standards when applying for the CCDP reciprocal credentials of CCDP and CCDPD and for the non-reciprocal CCDP-Associate credential. All work experience and education hours must be completed within five (5) years of the testing year. All CCDP-A's must live or work 51% of the time within Arkansas jurisdiction.

Education

This credential is a state-only non-reciprocal credential for those who hold less than a Bachelor degree. The applicant must document 260 clock hours of training broken down as follows: 200 contact hours in co-occurring disorders specific training including six (6) clock hours of co-occurring disorders specific ethics training; 20 contact hours of addiction specific training and 20 contact hours of mental health specific training within the last 10 years.

Work Experience

The work experience requirement for the CCDP-Associate is as follows: 6,000 hours (3 years) of Co-occurring Disorder specific work experience within the past 10 years. The work experience must fall within the IC & RC CCDP performance domains of **Screening and Assessment, Crisis Prevention and Management, Treatment and Recovery Planning, Counseling, Management and Coordination of Care, Education of Person, Their Support System and the Community, Professional Responsibility.**

Supervision

In addition, the applicant must document 300 hours of supervised work experience with 10 hours in each of the performance domains. Direct supervision is defined as one-on-one supervision, group supervision or direct observation of skills within the core functions and will be inclusive of the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Technical Assistance Publication (TAP) 21 definition. TAP 21 defines supervision clinical supervision as the administrative, clerical and evaluative process of monitoring, assessing and enhancing counselor performance. The practicum may occur as part of the eligible work experience and may be completed under more than one supervisor or agency. All practicum hours must be completed within five (5) years of the testing year and documented by a Clinical Supervisor (CS) or per IC& RC standards if you are applying from out-of-state.

Code of Ethics

The applicant must sign a statement that they understand and agree to comply with the ASACB code of ethics.

Fees

A non-refundable \$250.00 testing fee payment in the form of a personal check, travelers' check, cashier's check or money order is required as a part of the testing portfolio. CASH IS NOT ACCEPTED. **Note:** The \$250.00 testing fee payment allows for one (1) computer examination. A \$250.00 testing fee will be assessed for each subsequent written examination. Exams can only be cancelled or rescheduled (5 days) or more PRIOR to your scheduled examination date. Cancelling or rescheduling an exam is done directly through IQT's website at www.iqttesting.com. Complete instructions for cancelling or rescheduling an examination are listed on the ASACB website front page. For technical assistance, please contact IQT (toll free) at (866) 773-1114. Upon successful completion of the computer examination and receipt of current biannual certification fee payment, the CCDP-A certificate will be issued.