# Certified Child and Adolescent Trauma Professional (CATP) Certification Standards

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#### **1.0 Professional Standards**

1.1 To be eligible for certification, the applicant must have earned a minimum of a master's degree in their profession AND hold a state or national license as listed below, with all training hours and supervision requirements completed to be licensed for independent practice in the state they are licensed in (or equivalent if practicing outside of the United States):

- Psychologist (LP or LCP)
- Counselor
  - LCMHC
  - LCP
  - LCPC
  - LMHC
  - LPC
  - LPCC
  - LPCMH
  - Social Worker
    - LCSW
    - LCSW-C
    - LICSW

- LISW
- LISW-CP
- LMSW if licensed in Michigan or Nebraska
- LMSW-ACP
- LSCSW
- Marriage and Family Therapist
  - LCMFT
  - LIMFT
  - LMFT
- Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner (NP)
- Psychiatrist (MD)
- Psychoanalyst (LP)

<u>Canadian Applicants</u>: Licensed professionals who have met the licensure requirements for provincial and territorial regulatory bodies are welcome to apply. If you are unsure if your professional background meets the standards for certification, please email us a copy of your educational background and CV to <u>info@evergreencertifications.com</u>

<u>International Applicants</u>: Please check for a link to standards specific to your country of practice. If no link is available, please email us a copy of your educational background and CV to <u>info@evergreencertifications.com</u>

1.2 By applying for Certification, the applicant agrees to adhere to Evergreen Certifications' Professional Code of Ethics, available at <a href="http://www.evergreencertifications.com/codeofethics">www.evergreencertifications.com/codeofethics</a>

### 2.0 Educational Standards

2.1 The candidate must meet the following education criteria (total minimum of 12 clock hours of continuing education):

- DSM-5<sup>®</sup> classification of trauma & stressor-related disorders
- Evidence-based assessment instruments of psychological trauma appropriate to children and adolescents; administering, interpreting and use of instruments
- A survey of evidence-based treatment approaches
- Children's reaction to traumatic stress
- Attachment theory
- Coping strategies in the young: adaptive and maladaptive
- Current literature and research on the latest treatment modalities

2.2 Suitable education sources are approved continuing education as documented by certificates of completion from the accredited training organization.

Evergreen Certifications will accept courses that have been completed within 3 years of initial application for certification.

## **3.0 Certification Application Process**

- 1. Submit the following documentation:
  - a. A copy of the candidate's professional license
  - b. Copies of completion of training as outline in the Educational Standards
- 2. Payment of certification application fee

Evergreen Certifications will certify applicants who meet the above requirements.

Please note: Certification does not imply endorsement of clinical competency. As a licensed professional, you are responsible for reviewing the scope of practice, including activities that are defined in law as beyond the boundaries of practice in accordance with and in compliance with your profession's standards.

### 4.0 Renewal of Certification

To maintain certification, a renewal is required. The steps to apply for a 1-year renewal are as follows:

- 1. Submit a copy of your professional licensure as well as a completion certificate for six (6) clock hours traumafocused continuing education
- 2. Payment of renewal application fee

You can also apply for renewal for 2 or 3 years. Follow the process above, submitting twelve (12) CE hours of training for a 2-year renewal, and eighteen (18) CE hours of training for a 3-year renewal.

Renewal training hours need to have been taken in the time since you were last certified or renewed. Renewals are calculated from the date that your certification was issued.

If you allow your certification to lapse for more than 3 years, you are no longer eligible to renew your certification and instead can reapply for certification.