

## NH Early Childhood and Family Mental Health Intermediate and Advanced Credential Requirements

<u>Elements</u>	<u>Intermediate *</u>	<u>Advanced *</u>
<b>Education</b>	<p>Bachelors degree in child/family related field OR any field w/ 24 credits in approved coursework.</p> <p><b>Documentation:</b> Sealed transcript</p>	<p>Minimum of Master's degree in child/family related field.</p> <p><b>Documentation:</b> Copy of Diploma</p>
<b>Experience</b>	<p>3000 hours (approximately 1.5 years full-time) pre or post degree, of experience working with children birth-6 and families, 50% of which must be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) directly working with children and families</li> <li>b) within the past 15 years</li> </ul> <p><b>Documentation:</b> Resume Employment verification letter</p>	<p>Minimum of 4000 hours (approximately 2 years full-time), post Master's degree, of experience working with children birth-6 and families, 25% of which must be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) directly working with children and families</li> <li>b) within the past 15 years</li> </ul> <p><b>Documentation:</b> Resume or curriculum vitae Employment verification letter</p>
<b>License/ Certification</b>	<p>Not required</p>	<p>Maintain license/certification in field of expertise</p> <p><b>Documentation:</b> Copy of current license, credential/certification</p>
<b>Consultation</b>	<p>24 hours minimum (within a 1 year period) relationship-based consultation by approved Reflective Practice Consultant.</p> <p><b>Documentation:</b> Attestation</p>	<p>24 hours minimum (within a 1 year period) relationship-based consultation by approved Reflective Practice Consultant.</p> <p><b>Documentation:</b> Attestation</p>
<b>Demonstration of Competencies</b>	<p>* Completion of Self-Assessment with 90% demonstration of intermediate level competency in each domain.</p> <p><b>Documentation:</b></p>	<p>* Completion of Self- Assessment with 90% demonstration of advanced level competency in each domain.</p> <p><b>Documentation:</b> * Self-assessment and attestation form completed and signed by reflective practice consultant.</p>

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<p><b>Renewal Requirements</b></p> <p><b>Continuing Education</b></p> <p><b>Consultation</b></p>	<p><b>Continuing Education</b> Every 3 years, at least 12 hours, including 3 hours in each of the domains of Child Development, Family Systems, Addressing Challenges and Screening and Assessment.</p> <p><b>Consultation (by approved consultant)</b> Minimum 1 hour per month</p> <p><b>Documentation:</b> Contact hours/CEUs, completed Renewal form</p>	<p><b>Continuing Education</b> Every 3 years, at least 12 hours including 3 hours in each of the domains of Child Development, Family Systems, Addressing Challenges and Screening and Assessment.</p> <p><b>Documentation:</b> Contact hours/CEUs, completed Renewal form</p>

**\*Definitions:**

Intermediate:

Qualified personnel provide ongoing services and supports to particular children and families, addressing their mental health needs in a more self-directed way than personnel at the Foundational Level. They generally act independently and review their decisions and actions with a supervisor. These professionals are likely to be direct service providers in child care, education, health, special education or mental health, family support or related fields.

Advanced:

Qualified personnel provide supervision, consultation and training about mental health issues, and may or may not directly provide services and supports to particular children and families. They may create policies, programs and/or resources for mental health. These professionals are likely to be health, special education or mental health professionals working as clinicians, administrators, consultants and/or instructors.