

OHIO PREVENTION CREDENTIALS

WHAT ARE THE CREDENTIALS?

Prevention credentials are needed by anyone who will be providing prevention services. Prevention services mean a comprehensive, multi-system set of individual and environmental approaches that maximizes physical health, promotes safety, and precludes the onset of behavioral health disorders.

WHY SHOULD YOU BE CREDENTIALLED?

- You can help obtain funding by being credentialed.
- You are more equipped to provide effective prevention services.
- Helps you realize the differences between prevention and other disciplines.

CREDENTIALING OVERVIEW

Registered Applicant

Initial credential to begin the process.

Ohio Certified Prevention Specialist

Allows the professional to work more independently. Can supervise others.

Ohio Certified Prevention Specialist Assistant

Learning credential to help those in prevention gain experience.

Ohio Certified Prevention Consultant

Highest credential. Can supervise others, programs and departments as well as practice as an independent practitioner.

TO BEGIN...

Download the Professional Development Plan from the OCDPB website, under the RA description. Download the Content Definitions further down the site. Use the definitions to complete the plan with education and experience that will make your prevention journey complete.

ELICENSE

Create an account with Elicense Ohio. This is the portal where you will apply for any prevention credentials.

ONCE YOU HAVE BECOME AN RA:

Gather training and experience in each content area. You will complete the education grid for the next credential. Ensure you have proper supervision.



HELP IS AVAILABLE!

The credentialing process can be confusing and difficult. Assistance is available through the Ohio Coaching and Mentoring Network due to a workforce development grant from OHMHAS. Reach out for individual mentoring through the process.

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