

OK-AIMH

Oklahoma Association for Infant Mental Health

ENDORSEMENT (IMH-E®) REQUIREMENTS INFANT FAMILY ASSOCIATE

Requirements: Preparation of a Portfolio

Education and/or Work Experience

Official transcript from Child Development Associate (CDA)

OR

Official transcript from Associate's degree (AD) in related area

OR

Two years infant and early childhood-related paid work experience (include official transcripts from any college courses completed toward CDA or AD).

Training:

Minimum 30 clock hours of relationship-based education and training pertaining to the promotion of social-emotional development and/or the practice of infant mental health. Applicants will include as many hours as necessary to document that competencies (as specified in Competency Guidelines) have been met.

Professional Reference Ratings:

Three ratings from:

At least one of the ratings must be from a current teacher, CDA mentor, instructor, or supervisor. Also, at least one of the ratings must come from an individual who meets OK-AIMH Endorsement requirements at Level II, III, or IV. One of the ratings can come from a colleague. One rating can come from a parent/recipient of services.

Code of Ethics & Endorsement Agreement:

Signed

Documentation of Competencies:

Professional portfolio will document that competencies have been adequately met through course work, in-service training, or paid work experiences. Written examination not required for applicants seeking Endorsement at Level I.

Professional Membership:

Membership in OK-AIMH or another infant mental health association

Continuing Endorsement Requirements:

Education and Training:

Minimum of 15 clock hours per year of relationship-based education and training, pertaining to the promotion of social-emotional development and/or the practice of infant mental health (e.g. regional training, related course work at colleges or universities, infant mental health conference attendance). Documentation of training hours submitted with membership renewal.

Professional Membership:

Annual renewal of membership in OK-AIMH or another infant mental health association

Continuing Endorsement Recommendations:

Reflective Consultation

OK-AIMH recommends that all Endorsed professionals seek reflective consultation