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YAAS SPECIALTY ENDORSEMENT CREDENTIAL HANDBOOK

How to Achieve a YAAS (Youth and Adolescent Addiction Specialist)
Endorsement Credential with CCAPP



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CCAPP YAAS Credential Handbook

About this Handbook

This handbook provides information needed to earn and maintain credentials offered by the CCAPP Credentialing Inc. Individuals should review the process and requirements specific to each specialty credential and endorsement, and are expected to follow the policies as outlined not only within the handbook but also the CCAPP Code of Ethics.



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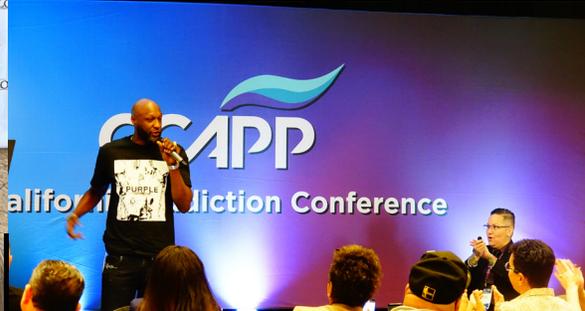
We Have Over 50 Years Of Experience

CCAPP Credentialing, Incorporated is a non-profit 501(3)(C) providing credentialing services to individuals and registration for substance use disorder programs in California established in 1972. Our name changed in 2014 upon the consolidation of two organizations. CCAPP is the largest and longest-standing organization representing SUD programs and professionals in the State of California.

The mission of CCAPP is to promote excellence in the delivery of services focused on substance use and its associated problems by providing the highest level of advocacy, competence, and ethics among programs and professionals. Focus is on membership, advocacy, and governance.

Why Choose Us

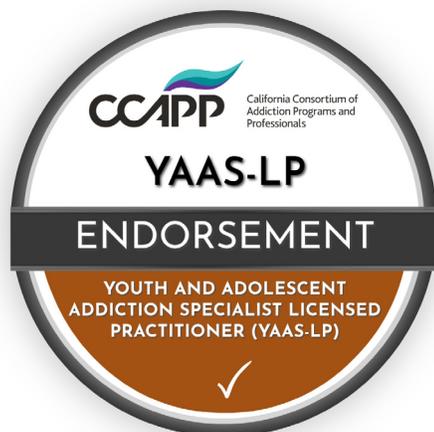
Becoming credentialed with CCAPP Credentialing offers employers and clients a greater sense of your capabilities and experience. CCAPP will give you the recognition you deserve to move forward in the profession. Holding a CCAPP credential is an accomplishment that tells the world you have the commitment and dedication needed to promote change and save lives.



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YAAS ENDORSEMENT CREDENTIALS OFFERED



YOUTH AND ADOLESCENT ADDICTION SPECIALIST LICENSED PRACTITIONER (YAAS-LP)

This endorsement is specific to licensed practitioners of the healing arts, specializing in youth treatment. It recognizes competencies that are beyond the requirements of the primary license in the area of addiction and its impact on adolescent development. The specialty endorsement program is only available to licensed professionals. Must hold a current license as a licensed practitioner of the healing arts (Physicians, Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, Registered Nurses, Registered Pharmacists, Licensed Clinical Psychologist (LCP), Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC), and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) and licensed-eligible practitioners working under the supervision of licensed clinicians) to apply for the YAAS-LP.



YOUTH AND ADOLESCENT ADDICTION SPECIALIST CERTIFIED COUNSELOR (YAAS-CC)

This endorsement is specific to certified alcohol drug counselors specializing in youth treatment. It recognizes competencies that are beyond the requirements of the primary credential for alcohol drug counselors. It demonstrates competency in the treatment of youth and adolescents. The specialty endorsement program is only available to Alcohol/Drug Credentialed Counselors, or Licensed Alcohol Drug Counselors in states where licensure is conferred.

NOT SURE WHICH Credential FITS YOU?

Learn more about choosing the right credential for you at <https://californiacredentialing.com/>

YOUTH AND ADOLESCENT ADDICTION SPECIALIST LEGACY CANDIDATE

Legacy credential is a process by which individuals are granted credentials without being required to meet a formal coursework requirement. Legacy applications allow applicants to meet the requirements for Legacy (previously termed "Grandfathered") credential by providing documentation based on their previous relevant experience, other credentials, and training and accomplishments in the field.

HOW A CREDENTIAL IS CREATED

Upon successful credentialing, professionals gain a badge of recognition, instilling confidence in their clients and among employers and the broader community. This recognition from CCAPP is more than a mere credential; it is a testament to a practitioner's dedication to delivering top-tier addiction counseling services while adhering to the highest ethical standards.

In the ever-evolving landscape of addiction treatment in California, CCAPP credentialing emerges as a driving force in advancing professionalism. It contributes significantly to the continual enhancement of treatment for substance use disorders, reinforcing the organization's commitment to excellence in addiction counseling.

ABOUT CREDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

CCAPP's specialty credentials and endorsements are designed under executive leadership, focusing on high-demand areas where professionals can make the greatest impact. CCAPP wants professionals to gain recognition for their work and help communities in need.

The credential process encompasses comprehensive training, education, and supervised clinical experience. Candidates are carefully assessed to ensure their competence and unwavering commitment to upholding ethical standards. This multifaceted approach refines and sharpens the skills of aspiring substance use disorder counselors.

CAREER ANALYSIS

Getting a specialty credential or endorsement through CCAPP can elevate your career, making you more desirable to employers and will set you apart in the field, distinguishing you as an expert in your chosen specialty. With the demand for specialized skills on the rise, and careers in SUD in more demand than ever, now is the time to leverage yourself and stand out with a specialty credential.

CONTENT DEVELOPMENT

Our credentials and endorsements are analyzed by subject matter experts, who inspire and guide our domains and assist in developing an outline for how a credential should be standardized. With this, a wide variety of factors are considered, including the expertise of the professionals, experience levels, and what content areas must be addressed in their education. We follow a standard built for those aspiring to achieve the specialty and for those who already demonstrate competency in the area.

STANDARD SETTING

CCAPP requires education from an approved school. Courses from non-approved schools will need to be vetted during the credential process by providing course descriptions from the school. Courses must include the academic content areas dictated by each credential. For credentials that require certification, the CCAPP Academy is user-friendly, accessible, and utilizes hands-on learning approaches. With expanding online selections available throughout the state our cutting-edge curriculum keeps California counselors on the forefront of their profession.





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GETTING YOUR SPECIALTY ENDORSEMENT CREDENTIAL HAS NEVER BEEN EASIER

The process for earning a credential through CCAPP can be summed up in a few steps:

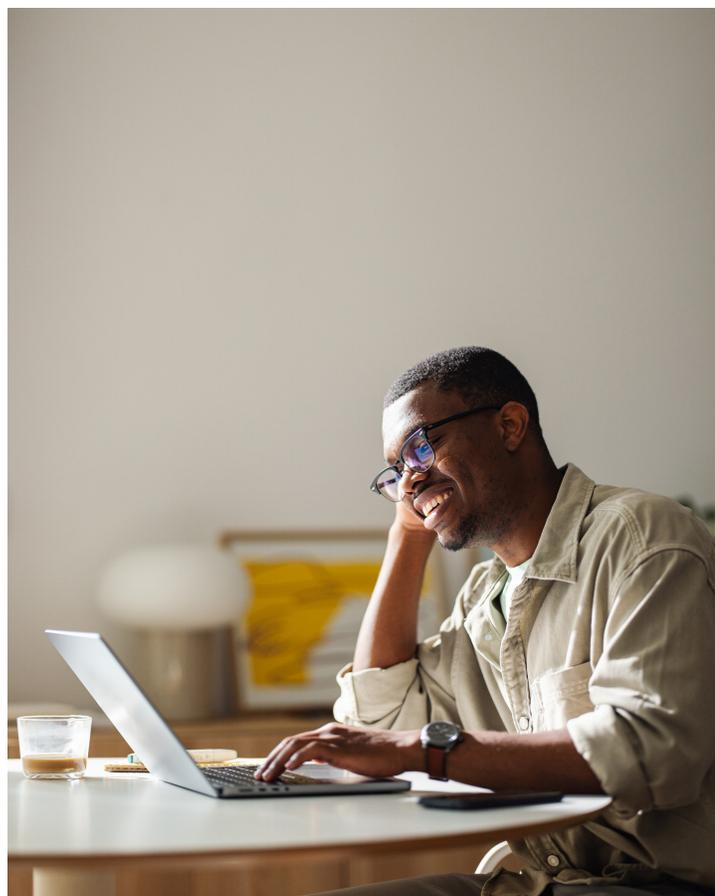
1. Determine your eligibility
2. Create an account through Certemy
3. Submit required documentation
4. Get approval from CCAPP Credentialing
5. Receive your certificate and badge of recognition from CCAPP

CERTEMY®



CREDENTIAL ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for CCAPP's specialty credentials and endorsements, candidates must meet all of the eligibility requirements for their chosen specialty. CCAPP's fourteen specialty credentials have different eligibility requirements. Additionally, all candidates and certificates must abide by the [CCAPP Code of Conduct](#) and the [CCAPP Code of Ethics](#).





MEET THE NEW YOUTH AND ADOLESCENT ADDICTION SPECIALIST CREDENTIAL (YAAS)

Now introducing the first nationwide implementation in California for certified counselors and licensed professionals!

FREE Endorsement Credential

You can now be one of the first in California and the nation to hold a specialty endorsement credential in youth addiction. With our grant funding, the endorsement is **free**, making it more accessible than ever before. The work we have done over the past year has paved the way for professionals like you to receive specialized training and recognition in this crucial area. We are grateful for the collaboration with youth organizations and subject matter experts who informed the new standards for the endorsement. Thanks to the support of Youth Opioid Response (YOR) California and the California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions (CIBHS), we have created the first-ever youth addiction specialty endorsement credential, providing professionals with the knowledge and skills they need to make a difference in the lives of young people facing addiction.

About the Funder



YOR California is a partnership between the California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions and Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. Since its inception, YOR California has provided \$34,000,000 including this round, in funding to organizations throughout California, spanning the continuum of prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery services for youth.

Thank You to Our Participants



KYCC LA

Koreatown Youth Community Center, Los Angeles

CCAPP met with two incredible youth organizations based out of Los Angeles at the beginning of the year to set the standards for the new endorsement. These youth were open in sharing their experiences, and what would best serve youth across the nation.



TWLMP LA

The Wall Las Memorias Project, Los Angeles

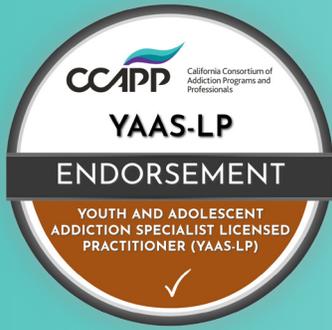
CCAPP was proud to collaborate with these two groups, with different age groups and brilliant ideas for how to establish standards and empower youth voices as part of our mission for the YAAS.

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YOUTH AND ADOLESCENT ADDICTION SPECIALIST LICENSED PRACTITIONER (YAAS-LP)



Do you have a passion for working with youth? Does your practice focus on young people who face challenges or family dynamics centered around addiction? Has your career led you to increasing levels of competency in treating youth and adolescents?

Highlight your expertise and experience with CCAPP's new Youth and Adolescent Addiction Specialist (YAAS) specialty endorsement credential. Be one of the first in the nation to be recognized for your dedication and commitment to addressing the impact of addiction in communities by focusing on youth.

For this endorsement, you must hold a current license as a licensed practitioner of the healing arts (Physicians, Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, Registered Nurses, Registered Pharmacists, Licensed Clinical Psychologist (LCP), Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC), and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) and licensed-eligible practitioners working under the supervision of licensed clinicians).

TYPICAL WORKPLACES FOR THIS ENDORSEMENT CREDENTIAL

Private practice, school-based treatment, community-based agencies, hospitals and primary care settings, crisis stabilization units, youth centers, foster care systems, prevention-adjacent programs, college campuses, community organizations, youth groups, government safety net programs, homeless shelters for families, and life skills programming groups.

ENDORSEMENT CHECKLIST

YAAS-LP Requirements

- 1. Initial Application:** Complete all steps in our online e-application system, called Certemy.
- 2. Work Experience:** 1 year (2,000 hours) qualified work experience and/or internship
- 3. Supervised Practical Experience:** 25 hours of supervised practicum by an individual knowledgeable in adolescent and youth substance use disorder counseling (**not required for legacy applicants**)
- 4. Training & Education:** 50 hours in the youth and adolescent-specific domains (see appendix for domains)
Legacy applicants may use hours across all domains

Education received may be obtained from a CCAPP Education Institute-approved provider or school or equivalent which covers at least one of the four domains

- 5. Proof of Licensure:** Document your current license or intern status as a practitioner of the healing arts
- 6. Letter of Support:** From a credentialed or licensed professional that can attest to your specific experiences with youth
- 7. CCAPP Code of Conduct:** Read, agree, sign and submit the YAAS Code of Conduct
- 8. Application Fees:**
\$20 Member | \$75 Non-Member
All fees waived for the Youth Opioid Response (YOR) grant period
- 9. Renewal Requirements:** This credential is a two-year renewal process, and there are six hours of CE requirements for each renewal period



YOUTH AND ADOLESCENT ADDICTION SPECIALIST CERTIFIED COUNSELOR (YAAS-CC)

Are you the one who is called in to work with youth and adolescents at your treatment program? Have you worked at a youth treatment program in the past? Do you see your future as focusing on youth who face addiction challenges?

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For this endorsement, you must hold a current credential as an alcohol drug counselor. It recognizes competencies that are beyond the requirements of the primary credential for alcohol drug counselors. It demonstrates competency in the treatment of youth and adolescents. The specialty endorsement program is only available to Alcohol/Drug Credentialed Counselors, or Licensed Alcohol Drug Counselors in states where licensure is conferred.

TYPICAL WORKPLACES FOR THIS ENDORSEMENT CREDENTIAL

Alcohol drug treatment programs, dual-diagnosis programs for youth and adolescents, school-based treatment, community-based agencies, hospitals and primary care settings, crisis stabilization units, youth centers, foster care systems, prevention-adjacent programs, college campuses, community organizations, youth groups, government safety net programs, homeless shelters for families, and life skills programming groups.



ENDORSEMENT CHECKLIST

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- 5. Proof of Credential or Licensure:** Document your current alcohol drug counseling credential (this credential is NOT available to registrants)
- 6. Letter of Support:** From a credentialed or licensed professional that can attest to your specific experiences with youth
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ACCEPTABLE ACCREDITATION OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Is my school CCAPP approved?

All education content and applications for approval are reviewed autonomously by the CCAPP Education Institute (CCAPP-EI), which is the education board for the California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals (CCAPP), and CCAPP Credentialing. CCAPP-EI exclusively reviews educational content to assure it meets the requirements for credentials and recommends approval, denial, or deferment to CCAPP. For a school's curriculum to be approved as meeting the educational requirements for credentials, the school does not have to be on the "Approved California Alcohol & Drug Program Schools" list. If someone wants to attend an institution, not on the "CCAPP Approved California Alcohol & Drug Program Schools" list, call the CCAPP office to see if the institution has been approved. If the school or program has not been approved in the past, please review the curriculum to see if it meets CCAPP requirements.

CCAPP Education Providers

All education content used for CCAPP credentials are reviewed autonomously by the CCAPP Education Institute, which is the education board for CCAPP Credentialing. The CCAPP Education Institute exclusively reviews educational content to assure it meets the requirements for credentials and recommends approval, denial, or deferment to CCAPP Credentialing.

To see a current list of approved schools, use the directory search link below:
<https://ccappeducation.org/find-a-ce-provider/#/>

The screenshot displays the CCAPP Education website. At the top, there is a teal header with the text "CCAPP EDUCATION". Below this is the CCAPP logo and navigation links: Home, Scholarships, Donations, CCAPP Academy, For Certification, Find a School, Find a CE Provider, For CEU Providers, Online Education, Contact Us, Job Board, FAQs, Board of Directors, Find a CE Provider, Prevention Specialist, Peer Recovery (CRPM), and AADC - CCAPP School Application. A horizontal menu contains four buttons: MEMBERSHIP, EDUCATION, CREDENTIALING, and RECOVERY RESIDENCES. The main content area is titled "Find a CCAPP Approved CE Provider" and includes a sub-header "Providers of home study, web study, and workshops focusing on continuing education for the alcohol and drug counselor who has applied for and obtained a CCAPP provider number can be found on CCAPP's Continuing Education Provider Directory." Below this is a paragraph explaining that the last four digits of the provider number reflect the expiration date for approved status as a CCAPP provider. A search form is present with fields for "Find" (Select or search by facility name), "Near" (Enter a location), and "Radius" (25 miles). A "Suggested Filters" section lists various categories: CCAPP, CCAPP Education, Online Education, Recovery Residences (Sober Living), 65+, Treatment Center, Showers, Medicaid, Under 18, Addiction and SUD Services, Mental Health Services, Recovery Organizations (RO), CCAPP School, and CCAPP Recovery Residences. At the bottom of the search area, there is a link "Don't see your facility? Click here to get listed" and a "Login" link.



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THE FOUR DOMAINS OF STUDY FOR THE YAAS

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The following core areas are used to assist in the review of an applicant's education and work experience. A **minimum of 50 hours are required in these domains for both education and work experience** as indicated on their logs. Please use this list as a guide in recording your hours for education and experience. **For Legacy applicants, this requirement is waived but must show 50 hours of education and work in at least ONE or more of the following domains.**

Adolescence as a Cross-cultural Experience - 15 hours

This emphasizes the shared experience that adolescence entails for people across all cultural backgrounds. Essentially, we are looking to define the answer to this question: What is the adolescent experience?

Propensity for Use and Psychological Effects - 15 hours

This explores how addictive drugs impact the adolescent brain and what kind of effects it has on this age group compared to adults.

Biophysical Development and Adolescence - 10 hours

This domain's coursework will take a deep dive into the stages of development and what truly defines each age category. The goal of this curriculum is to look at how we can best define each stage of development so professionals understand the nuanced differences.

Best Strategies to Engage Youth - 10 hours

This lets professionals study what best works for different people in successfully engaging youth. Understanding the best approach methods could vary from person to person and the methods they implement can sometimes be unique to them. Being able to explore some of these effective ideas is vital to collective strategies when successfully working with youth.

50 HOURS TOTAL

EXAMPLES OF EDUCATION AND EQUIVALENCY

WAYS TO EARN EDUCATION

A total of **50 hours** of training or education in the following areas must be documented:

- Adolescence as a Cross-cultural Experience (**15 hours**)
- Propensity for Use and Psychological Effects (**15 hours**)
- Biophysical Development and Adolescence (**10 hours**)
- Best Strategies to Engage Youth (**10 hours**)

Education can be obtained in a variety of ways. They are divided into the following categories:

Category A | Attendance

Attending clinics, conferences, seminars, workshops, or live-streamed events. The content provided must be related to the four domains for the YAAS and be consistent with CCAPP credentialing standards.

Category B | Share Your Expertise

- » **Work Experience** | Working any number of years as a licensed practitioner or credentialed counselor.
- » **Presentations** | Participation as a speaker or panelist at clinics, conferences, seminars, workshops, etc.
- » **Publications** | Published works in which the individual serves as an author or co-author focused on any of the four domains.

Category C | Education

- » **CCAPP Education** | Successfully completing courses with CCAPP Education that fall into the four domains.
- » **Earning CEHs with CCAPP-approved providers** | Must be classified for the amount of hours for each domain.

WORK EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

Work experience for this specialty credential is vital to the comprehension and expertise of the individual's competency in engaging with youth in the field of SUD and addiction. Here are examples of various ways to demonstrate competency through work experience and history:

Who Can Attest to My Work Experience?

The applicant must provide a letter from the facility director or manager, or other documentation from the facility at which he or she was employed (or volunteered), that attests to the specialty services offered and the experience hours the applicant has provided at the program. A statement of recommendation from a supervisor must also be included or uploaded as a separate document. All experience must be accrued within ten years of the date of application. Must be in letterhead with appropriate dates of employment, and must be signed by supervisor.

Legacy Experience Requirements

The applicant must provide a copy of their resume and/or education experience (50 hours of education in any domain OR 1,000 hours experience).

Practicum vs. Work Experience

- » **Work Experience** | Working any number of years as a licensed practitioner or credentialed counselor.
- » **Practicum** | Supervised work experience designated as field practicum.

How Do I Provide 6 Hours of Continuing Education?

- » **CCAPP Academy** | Successfully completing 6 hours of adolescent-focused courses with CCAPP Academy that fall into the four domains.
- » **Earning CEs with CCAPP-approved providers** | The applicant must provide documentation of their education on the online application for the required hours in each domain.



HOW TO MAINTAIN YOUR ENDORSEMENT CREDENTIAL

INTRODUCTION

YOUR DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT

Holding a CCAPP credential demonstrates that you are a dedicated professional. Your CCAPP specialty credentials and endorsements indicate you have specialized knowledge, skills, and abilities towards your career.

AN ONGOING COMMITMENT

It is important to remain competent in your field and continue to be educated about the constantly changing world of substance use disorder counseling. Maintaining your credential shows your commitment to your career, and ensures you are equipped to do your job to the best of your ability.

MAINTAINING YOUR CREDENTIAL

No matter which credential you hold, there are vital parts to maintaining your credentials. There are vital parts to maintaining your credentials.

TO GET A RENEWAL:

Complete and report a certain number of Continuing Education Hours (CEHs) and pay the recredential fee.

WHY DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED

There are three certifying organizations with authority to certify counselors for the purpose of working in a facility licensed or credentialed by the Department of Health Care Services. Counselors may choose, at any time, to transfer credential to another organization. Be aware that phrases such as “transitioning to” or promises of credential at a future date are not valid for documenting credentialed status with the Department of Health Care Services. You must have written documentation attesting to your **CURRENT**, not future status, to comply with regulations. All CCAPP credentials are valid in the State of California. All transfers accepted by CCAPP are provided with documentation to meet state regulations within 30 days of receipt of the application.

THE RENEWAL PROCESS

Renewed will be based on each applicant’s individual license or credential. Renewal will require uploaded verification every renewal period if you are still licensed or credentialed. It will also require six continuing education units in the four domains that can be completed anywhere and are trainings that the applicant has attended that enhance professionalism. Online CEs must not exceed eight hours in a single day.

BREAKING DOWN THE CEH (Continuing Education Hours)

WHAT IS A CEH?

CEH stands for Continuing Education Hours, and it is the way we measure your continuing education. CEHs range across a variety of topics. You can earn CEHs in various ways such as attending in-person or virtual events, taking CCAPP-approved courses, or taking and passing a quiz.

CCAPP IS A CE PROVIDER

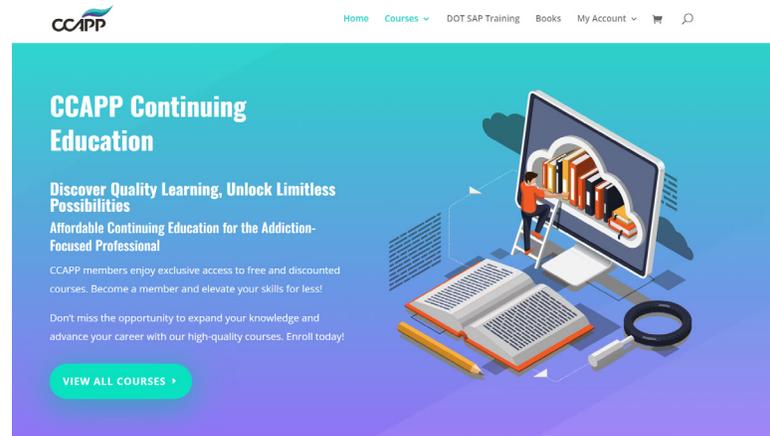
As a CEH provider, CCAPP Education offers top-quality training for multiple credential boards. Our courses are meticulously designed to exceed industry standards and deliver the latest insights, making us the ideal choice for professionals aiming to enhance their expertise.

CCAPP is an approved provider for the following credential boards: CCAPP, BHAP, CAMFT, NBCC, NAADAC, CADTP, Tennessee Credential Board (TCB), ADACBGA, Connecticut Credential Board (CCB), MHACBO Provider.

HOW ARE CEHS CALCULATED?

The amount of CEHs you earn is generally based on the number of hours you spend to complete an activity or event. Not all CE activities is based on actual clock hours. There are exceptions, such as college or university courses, where one semester credit hour equals ___ CEHs. For example:

- » 3-unit, semester-long course equals 45 hours (CEHs)
- » 4-unit, quarter-long course equals 12 CEHs



FREE CEs with CCAPP MEMBERSHIP!

CCAPP has an amazing new learning platform! Individual members can earn free and discounted continuing education. CCAPP members enjoy exclusive access to free and discounted courses. Don't miss the opportunity to expand your knowledge and advance your career with our high-quality courses. **Become a CCAPP member today!** <https://ccappmembership.org/individual-membership/>

ACCEPTABLE CONTENT FOR CEHS

Only continuing education content that relates to the scope of practice and contents of a CCAPP specialty credential will be accepted. If you have questions about the acceptability of a particular activity's content, contact CCAPP Credentialing prior to engaging in the activity for credit.

WAYS TO EARN CEHS

1. Academic Content Areas
2. Supervised Practicum
3. Conferences and Events

ETHICS COMPLIANCE

ETHICS FOR ADDICTION COUNSELORS

All professionals who are registered, credentialed, or licensed by CCAPP sign two ethics agreements, the State of California AOD Counselor Code of Conduct and the CCAPP Code of Conduct for Credentialed Alcohol and Drug Professionals, when completing an application. These agreements are legally binding contracts that set forth expectations and consequences regarding ethical behavior for the profession. Consequences for violating these agreements are contained in California Law and Regulation, as well as the Uniform Disciplinary Guidelines sanctions matrix. CCAPP can apply sanctions that range from warnings and instructions, to revocation for ANY violation of either ethics agreement.

It is incumbent upon all credentialed professionals to read and understand the State of California AOD Counselor Code of Conduct and the CCAPP Code of Conduct for Credentialed Alcohol and Drug Professionals and to read and understand any updates made to these agreements.

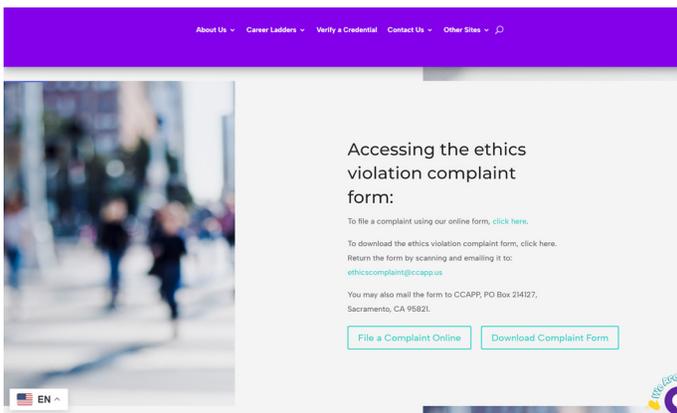
ANNOUNCEMENTS

The CCAPP Code of Conduct, the CA Code of Conduct, the Uniform Disciplinary Guidelines, and the Ethics Complaints Procedures have been amended. Read these items carefully as they govern standards and procedures for disciplining credentialed counselors in California. Each becomes effective September 1, 2019. To view the previous agreements, Contact ethicscomplaints@ccapp.us.

Please note that the Uniform Disciplinary Guidelines now allow the Ethics Committee to apply sanctions that may be greater or less than the previous guidelines. Also, note that all ethics cases will be communicated using standardized written notifications of alleged violations and standardized written notices of findings.

To check if someone is valid with specific boards, please click on the following links:

<https://calrevokedcounselors.org/>
<https://search.dca.gov/>



FILE AN ETHICS COMPLAINT ONLINE WITH CCAPP

To access CCAPP's Ethics Violation Complaint Form, and file an ethics complaint, click this link:
<https://ccappcredentialing.org/ethics/>

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Application List

- » **Standard Application**
- » **CCAPP Code of Conduct for Credentialed Alcohol and Drug Professionals**
- » **Statement of Understanding**
- » **Verifiable Experience Requirement** (1 year (2,000 hours) qualified work experience)
- » **Professional Letter of Support** (It is required to submit one typed, dated, and signed recommendation letter from a credentialed or Licensed professional with the YAAS-LP and YAAS-CC. The letter must be from a colleague, a supervisor, or an instructor. It must attest to the applicant's character and competency. Letters must be signed originals and dated within 60 days of submission.)
- » **Supervised Education Requirement** (25 hours of supervision by an individual knowledgeable in adolescent and youth substance use disorder counseling by a YAAS-LP and YAAS-CC)
- » **Education Requirements** (50 total hours of education must be taken from CCAPP-approved providers. 50 of these hours must be specific to the YAAS domains. Education can be obtained at colleges and universities, online, at workshops and trainings, and through CCAPP Academy. All education must be from a CCAPP-approved provider/school. Copies of certificates of completion, transcripts, or other proof of attendance are required)
- » **Current Credential or License**
 - Credentialed** | Alcohol/Drug Credentialed Counselors, or Licensed Alcohol Drug Counselors in states where licensure is conferred
 - Licensed** | Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts: Physicians, Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, Registered Nurses, Registered Pharmacists, Licensed Clinical Psychologist (LCP), Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC), and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)
- » **Verification Review** (This step is for CCAPP staff who will be verifying that your submitted information is accurate and valid)

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