

# **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR EXAMINATIONS**

## International Certified Addiction Professional in Treatment (ICAP-Treatment)

\* Clinical experience is not required for ICAP- Trainer credential

### **ICAP I-Treatment:**

- 1. A minimum of 1 year of full time (at least 1500 hours) of supervised working experience in a substance use disorder (SUD) related field. Passage of the first public examination, High School/Secondary diploma, or equivalency.
- 2. Written description of competency in counselling skills and functions as verified by supervisors or other health care professionals who have personally observed the candidate's SUD-related counselling work.
- 3. Documentation of a total of 120 contact hours of education and/or training in SUD-related counselling subjects. Included in this total must be at least 6 contact hours of HIV/AIDS and 6 contact hours of ethics training.
- 4. Signed agreement to adhere to the GCCC Code of Ethics for counsellors.
- 5. Completed application for the ICAP I
- 6. Payment of **non-refundable** application fee if qualifications are met.

#### **ICAP II-Treatment:**

- 1. A minimum of 2 years of full time (at least 3000 hours) of supervised working experience in a substance use disorder (SUD) related field. Passage of the first public examination, High School/Secondary, or equivalency.
- 2. Current ICAP I in Treatment (may be waived with a Bachelors or higher degree in SUD-related field).
- 3. Written description of competency in counselling skills and functions as verified by supervisors or other health care professionals who have personally observed the candidate's SUD-related counselling work.
- 4. Documentation of a total of 240 contact hours of education and/or training in SUD-related counselling subjects. Included in this total must be at least 6 contact hours of HIV/AIDS and 6 contact hours of ethics training.
- 5. Signed agreement to adhere to the GCCC Code of Ethics for counsellors.
- 6. Completed application for the ICAP II
- 7. Payment of **non-refundable** application fee if qualifications are met.

#### **ICAP III-Treatment:**

- 1. A minimum of 5 years of full time (at least 7500 hours) of supervised working experience in a substance use disorder (SUD) related field. A College/University Bachelor's degree or equivalent.
- 2. Current ICAP II in Treatment (may be waived with a Master's or higher degree in SUD-related field).
- 3. Written description of competency in counselling skills and functions as verified by supervisors or other health care professionals who have personally observed the candidate's SUD-related counselling work.
- 4. Documentation of a total of 500 contact hours of education and/or training in SUD-related counselling subjects. Included in this total must be at least 6 contact hours of HIV/AIDS and 6 contact hours of ethics training.
- 5. Signed agreement to adhere to the GCCC Code of Ethics for counsellors.
- 6. Completed application for the ICAP III
- 7. Payment of **non-refundable** application fee if qualifications are met.

## International Certified Addiction Professional in Recovery Support (ICAP-RS)

- 1. A minimum of 1 year of supervised working experience in a substance use disorder (SUD) related field. Passage of the first public examination, High School/Secondary diploma, or equivalency.
- 2. Documentation of a total of 100 contact hours of education and/or training in SUD-Recovery Support. Included in this total must be at least 6 contact hours of HIV/AIDS and 6 contact hours of ethics training.
- 3. Signed agreement to adhere to the GCCC Code of Ethics for Recovery Support.
- 4. Completed application for the ICAP-RS
- 5. Payment of **non-refundable** application fee if qualifications are met.