



OK-AIMH ENDORSEMENT REQUIREMENTS INFANT MENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST LEVEL 3

<p><i>Education:</i></p>	<p>Requirements: Preparation of Portfolio and Written Exam</p> <p>Master of Arts (MA), Master of Science (MS), Master of Education (MEd), Doctorate in Education (EdD), Master of Social Work (MSW), Master of Nursing (MSN), Doctor of Psychology (PsyD), Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), Medical Doctor (MD), Doctor of Osteopathy (DO) or other degree specific to one's professional focus in infant mental health; university certificate program and/or course work in areas such as infant and toddler development, family-centered practice, cultural sensitivity, family relationships and dynamics, assessment and intervention, in accordance with OK-AIMH Training Guidelines and Endorsement Competencies; official transcript.</p> <p>Applicants may ask to use intensive in-service training to fulfill some of the recommended coursework.</p>
<p><i>Training:</i></p>	<p>Minimum: Thirty clock hours of relationship-based education and training pertaining to the social and emotional development of infants, toddlers and families</p>
<p><i>Specialized Work Experience:</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Two years, post-graduate, supervised work experiences providing culturally sensitive, relationship-based, infant mental health services. This specialized work experience must be with both the infant/toddler and his/her parent/caregiver on behalf of the caregiver-infant relationship. Responsibilities will include intervention with a) families and their infants, toddlers and very young children because of parental factors which place the infant at risk for impaired cognitive and/or psychosocial development, b) distressed infants and toddlers and their families, c) high risk families whose pattern of living from crisis to crisis and/or pre-existing conflicts severely limit their ability to adequately care for their infant, and/or d) families who are ill-prepared to meet the special needs of their infants. <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. One year supervised graduate internship with direct service experience in providing culturally sensitive, relationship-based, infant mental health services and 1 year, post-graduate, supervised work experience as described above
<p><i>Reflective Supervision/Consultation:</i></p>	<p>Relationship-focused, reflective supervision/consultation with an approved supervisor/consultant, individually or in a group, while providing services to infants, toddlers and families. Minimum: Fifty (50) clock hours within a two-year time frame (maximum).</p>
<p><i>Professional Reference Ratings:</i></p>	<p>Total of 3 professional reference ratings from:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. One rating from current program supervisor, teacher, trainer or consultant2. One rating from person providing reflective supervisor/consultation3. Third rating may be from another supervisor, trainer or consultant; colleague; or supervisee (if candidate is a supervisor).
<p><i>Code of Ethics Statement, Agreement, Candidate's Waiver:</i></p>	<p>Signed</p>



Documentation of Competencies:

1. Successful completion of the two-level review of contents of portfolio
2. Successful completion of the OK-AIMH written examination

Professional Membership:

Membership in OK-AIMH or another infant mental health association

Education and Training:

Continuing Endorsement Requirements:

Fifteen (15) clock hours of relationship-based education and training pertaining to the social and emotional development of infants, toddlers and families

Professional Membership:

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