

PLAY Project Consultant Recertification Policy

Introduction

The purpose of PLAY Project re-certification is to ensure that Certified PLAY Project Consultants (PPC) continue to 1) deliver this evidence-based model with fidelity, 2) hone their therapeutic and educational practice, and 3) stay up-to-date with the most current research and best practices in the field of developmental autism services.

Application Process

The recertification application is a simple online form based on the PPC's own documentation of their work. PLAY Project HQ reserves the right to audit any re-certification application. <u>You can submit by clicking here.</u>

Timeframe: The first recertification occurs approximately 3 years after the PPC's initial certification (i.e. after PPC has completed all supervision tasks and has received their official PLAY Project Consultant Certificate). Recertification then occurs on a 3-year cycle. Over each 3-year period, the professional must earn a minimum of 60 points. These points can be earned through professional practices and educational activities, as detailed below.

Application Review: Applications will be reviewed biannually in January and July, based on the date of initial certification.

• **Example**: a PPC who earns initial certification in April of 2017 will have until July 2020 to earn and report the necessary number of points for recertification. A PPC who earns initial certification in August 2017 will have until January 2021 to earn and report the necessary number of points for recertification.

Fees: There is no additional fee for re-certification if a PPC meets their 3-year deadline. The PLAY Project annual licensing fee includes this service.

Lapse in Certification Status

If a PPC does not apply for re-certification by their deadline, they may apply within 6 months of that deadline and a \$100 fee will be charged for processing the application. If re-certification is not achieved within 6 months of the deadline, the PPC's license will be discontinued. See our "Re-Activation Policy" for additional information.



Re-Certification Requirements

The PPC must earn a minimum of 60 points based on the 2 categories below. Unless specifically outlined below, no additional documentation is required for self-reporting of activities, but the PPC should keep records for accurate reporting. PPHQ reserves the right to ask for additional documentation as needed.

- 1. PLAY Project Services: Minimum of 50 points required in this category
 - **PLAY Project clients**: 1 PLAY client=10 points (i.e. minimum of 1-2 PLAY clients per year to maintain certification)
 - Documentation:
 - Upload one Video Review report dated within the past 3 years
 - Upload current CV or bio
 - Report approximate estimation of number of cases over the past 3 years
- 2. PLAY Project Professional Development: Minimum of 10 points required in this category
 - Attend a Webinar (4 free webinars offered annually with active license)
 - o 1 hour=1 point
 - Live attendance or review of recorded session acceptable
 - Potential to earn 12 points over 3 years
 - Provide a community presentation of the PLAY Project (power point templates available):
 - An hour-long community presentation=3 points
 - Participate in a PLAY Project online course (discounted rates available): a range of points, depending on the length of the course (Mini-course=3 points, full online course=15 points)
 - Participate in a PLAY Project In-person workshop or training: a range of points, depending on the length of the course (1 point per hour of training)
 - Documentation:
 - Report number of webinars attended
 - Report community presentation dates, audience population, and approximate size of audience
 - o Report names of PLAY online courses and date of completion
 - Report names and dates of PLAY Project workshops/trainings attended

If you have questions about this policy, please contact training@playproject.org