

## Certified Addiction Counselor Requirements

CAC I	CAC II	CAC III
High School Diploma/GED	High School Diploma/GED CAC I Training Plus:	Bachelors Degree in Behavioral Health CAC II Training Plus:
Addiction Counseling Skills 21 hours/3 days	Professional Ethics II 14 hours/2 days Prerequisite is Ethics I	Clinical Supervision I 21 hours/3 days
Client Record Management 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online	Motivational Interviewing 21 hours/3 days Prerequisite is Addiction Counseling Skills	Advanced Motivational Interviewing 14 hours/2 days  **Prerequisite is MI**
Principles of Addiction 21 hours/3 days/3 weeks online	Cognitive Behavioral Therapy 14 hours/2 days/ 2 weeks online	Clinical Supervision II 14 hours/2 days Prerequisites are Clinical Sup I and Adv MI
Professional Ethics I: Ethics & Jurisprudence 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online	Group Counseling Skills 21 hours/3 days	Professional Practice 7 hours/1 day/1 week online
Culturally Informed Treatment 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online	Pharmacology II 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online Prerequisite is Pharmacology I	Total Training Hours = 56
Infectious Diseases in Addiction Treatment 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online	Clinical Assessment & Treatment Planning 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online Prerequisite is Client Record Management	Additional 200 hours of clinically supervised work experience = 5000 hours
Pharmacology I 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online	Co-Occurring Disorders 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online	2 hours of clinical supervision* per month for full time work in the field
Total Training Hours = 112	Trauma Informed Care with Diverse Populations 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online	National Examination
1000 hours of clinically supervised work experience	Total Training Hours = 126	
3 hours of clinical supervision* per month for full time work in the field	Additional 2000 hours of clinically supervised work experience = 3000 hours	
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	National Examination	

<sup>\*</sup>Three (3) hours of clinical supervision per month is required until the CAC II is awarded, then two (2) hours per month until the CAC III is awarded and then one (1) hour of consultation monthly. Supervision by CAC III or LAC required for each level.

For less than full time work, supervision may be pro-rated but must be not less than one (1) hour per month



## Certified Addiction Counselor Requirements with a Masters or Doctorate Degree in the Behavioral Sciences

CAC II	CAC III
Principles of Addiction 21 hours/3 days/3 weeks online	All requirements listed for CAC II plus:
Infectious Diseases in Addiction Treatment 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online	Clinical Supervision I 21 hours/3 days
Pharmacology I 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online	Advanced Motivational Interviewing 14 hours/2 days  Prerequisite is Motivational Interviewing
Pharmacology II 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online Prerequisite is Pharmacology I	Clinical Supervision II 14 hours/2 days Prerequisites are Adv MI & Clinical Supervision I
Motivational Interviewing 21 hours/3 days	NAADAC Sponsored National Examination MAC exam is recommended
Group Counseling Skills 21 hours/3 days	Completion of 3000 hours of supervised work experience in the field
Professional Ethics II 14 hours/2 days/2 weeks online	Two (2) hours of clinical supervision per month for full time work in the field
NAADAC Sponsored National Examination MAC exam is recommended	
Completion of 2000 hours of supervised work experience in the field	
Two (2) hours of clinical supervision per month for full time work in the field	