



Colorado Association of Infant Mental Health (COAIMH)

Endorsement for Culturally Sensitive, Relationship-Focused Practice Promoting Infant Mental Health (IMH-E ®)

Requirements for Infant Family Specialist (Prevention)

EDUCATION	WORK EXPERIENCE	TRAINING	REFLECTIVE SUPERVISION/ CONSULTATION	PROFESSIONAL REFERENCE RATINGS
<p>Minimum of Bachelor of Arts (BA), Bachelor of Science (BS), Bachelor of Social Work (BSW), Bachelor of Nursing (BSN); and including Master of Arts (MA), Master of Science (MS), Master of Social Work (MSW), Master of Education (MEd), Master of Nursing (MSN); Master of Applied Studies (MAS), PhD, EdD, PsyD.</p> <p>Official transcript(s) required.</p>	<p>Minimum two years paid, post Bachelor’s, professional work experience providing services that (or directly supervising those who) promote infant mental health. Work experience meets this criterion as long as the applicant has:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Served a minimum of 10 families of infants/toddlers (birth to 36 months) and, 2. A primary focus of the services provided is the social-emotional needs of infant/toddler and, 3. Services include attention to the relationships surrounding the infant/toddler. 	<p>Minimum 30 clock hours of relationship-based education and training pertaining to the promotion of social-emotional development and/or the practice of infant mental health. Applicants will include as many hours as necessary to document that competencies (as specified in Competency Guidelines®) have been met.</p>	<p>Minimum 24 clock hours within one to two year timeframe, post-bachelors, relationship-based, reflective supervision/consultation (RS/C), individually or in a group while providing services to infants, toddlers and families.*</p>	<p>Three ratings from:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One from current program supervisor, teacher, trainer or consultant. 2. One from person providing reflective supervision/consultation. 3. Third rating may be from another supervisor, teacher, trainer, consultant, colleague, or parent/recipient of service (paid or volunteer). <p>At least one of the ratings must come from an individual who meets COAIMH Endorsement® requirements as IFS, IMHS, or IMHM OR is familiar with the <i>Competency Guidelines®</i>.</p>

*Beginning 1/1/2018, new Endorsement applicants are required to receive all RC/S hours from an Endorsed provider in order to meet the requirements for Endorsement.

Contact COAIMH’s Endorsement Coordinator for details: Co.endorsement.coordinator@gmail.com.

ALL Endorsement applicants have to sign a *Code of Ethics & Endorsement Agreement*, provide *Documentation of Competencies*, and have a current Professional Membership with COAIMH to complete their application.

Endorsement Renewal: All Endorseees have to complete a minimum of 15 clock hours/year of relationship-based education and training, pertaining to the promotion of social-emotional development and/or the practice of infant mental health (e.g. regional training, related course work at colleges or universities, infant mental health conference attendance) and maintain a current COAIMH membership. Documentation of training hours are submitted with membership renewal.