

The Alabama Alcohol & Drug Abuse Association

Prevention Certification

Minimum Criteria for Prevention Certification is as follows:

Associate Prevention Specialist

1. One year of experience in Prevention (2,000 hours or 240 Direct Service hours)
2. 75 hours of substance abuse education/training. 50% must be in prevention
3. High School Diploma or GED
4. Supervisor(s) Evaluations and two (2) colleague evaluations
5. Must be supervised by CPS or CPM (or) one who meets the criteria for the same. including but limited to the required education of Prevention Specific AIDS/HIV Education /Prevention Ethics and Disruptive Audience.
6. Signed "Code of Ethics" and "Releases"
7. Additional Required Education: (4) hours of AIDS/HIV education; (6) hours of Ethics education; (4) hours of Disruptive Audience Behavior education
8. Must reside or work in Alabama at least 51% of the time

Reciprocal Level Certifications in Prevention (CPS & CPM):

Certified Prevention Specialist (CPS)

1. Two (2) years of experience in prevention (4,000 hours)
2. 100 hours in substance abuse education/training (50% in Prevention)
3. Bachelor's Degree in a related field
4. Supervisor(s) Evaluations and three (3) Colleague Evaluations
5. Signed "Code of Ethics" and "Releases"
6. IC&RC Written Exam
7. Additional Required Education: (4) hours of AIDS/HIV education; (6) hours of Ethics education; (4) hours of Disruptive Audience Behavior education
8. Must reside or work in Alabama at least 51% of the time

Certified Prevention Manager (CPM)

Same as CPS, plus three (3) years of managerial/supervisory experience in substance abuse prevention.

Domains and Tasks of a Prevention Professional

**Planning and Evaluation, Education and Skill Development, Community Organization
Public Policy and Environmental Change, Professional Growth and Responsibility**