



MHRT/C Certification Program Update

More on Continuing Education for the Full MHRT/C

We hear that some of you are still unsure about what is acceptable continuing education training and how to obtain it. Rest assured we are here to help!

1. The most important thing to keep in mind is that the continuing education training you complete, whether it's an in-service, off-site workshop, online course, or conference, must cover one or more of the new competencies. If you [click here](#) you will see the eight new competency domains. The training doesn't have to satisfy every competency under a domain, just one or more.
2. You're required to complete 18 hours of training during the two-year expiration period on your certificate. You can mix and match your 18 hours, that is have several one- or two-hour trainings, or three six-hour trainings, etc. And, **at least** four of the 18 hours need to address ethics. Supervision, individual or group, does not count towards continuing education.
3. We have several training resources listed on our website. [You can click here](#). Also, see the Maine Behavioral Healthcare Workforce Development Collaborative website by [clicking here](#).
4. When you've completed the training, save your certificates until it's time for your MHRT/C certificate renewal. Then send everything along with a completed renewal form. [Click here for the form](#).

Certificate renewals begin in January 2020, so there's still plenty of time!

Happy Holidays!



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Pathways to Certification

One of the primary goals of the MHRT/C redesign initiative, set forth by the Advisory Committee and other stakeholders, was to expand access to certification for the adult mental health workforce.

The three areas that are evaluated for an individual to earn a certificate are academic education, non-academic trainings, and relevant work experience. The more relevant and complete your education is, the sooner you will be certified. You might also be eligible to get credit for your work in the adult mental health field.

The Center for Learning website will have tools for you to determine what pathway you are on, and what the next steps are to become certified. Full implementation is anticipated for Fall 2019. Stay tuned for more information!

**Please keep your questions and comments coming.
We'll continue to update the FAQs page on our website:
<http://cfl-muskie.org/index.php/mhrt-community-certification-program-updates> (scroll to near the bottom)**

CREDIT FOR YOUR WORK EXPERIENCE

If you are applying to get MHRT/C credit for your work experience, please be aware there is a new form you will need to have completed by your supervisor and included with your application.

Each course you wish to waive has its own separate form. [Click here to download the forms.](#)

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