INDIGENOUS CERTIFICATION BOARD OF CANADA



APPLICATION PACKAGE FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF INDIGENOUS CLIENT SUPPORT ADDICTION WORKERS

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To complete your application, you will also have to provide other documents. A complete checklist of all the forms and documents you need to send is included on page 4.

Instructions for Completing this Application Package

Have you consulted the attached Summary of Standards and Requirements for Indigenous Client Support Addiction Workers (page 30), to confirm that you verified that your experience, academic qualifications and education/training meet these certification standards and requirements?

If Yes, please check this box

Congratulations! You are now ready to achieve your goal to become a **Certified Indigenous Client Support Addiction Worker (CICSAW).**

This package contains all the forms you need to apply for certification.

Now that you have downloaded the application package, you are responsible for:

- 1. completing your sections and gathering all the required supporting documents
- 2. ensuring that your references, supervisor, employers complete their parts
- 3. sending everything, <u>including the application fee that fits your situation*</u> to the ICBOC office. There is a check list on page 4 to help you. All the material must arrive in our office in one envelope.

* For more information on applicable fees, please consult ICBOC's website at https://icboc.ca/certification/list-of-certifications/http-icboc-ca-addictions-wellness-certification-fees/

PLEASE KEEP A PHOTOCOPY OF THE COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKAGE FOR YOUR FILES.

To understand the certification standards and requirements for this certification, please consult the **Summary of Standards and Requirements for Certified Indigenous Client Support Addictions Worker**, available on our website at https://icboc.ca/certification/list-of-certifications/certified-indigenous-client-support-addictions-worker-cicsaw/

If your supervisor and your referees wish to keep their references confidential (including the supervisor's evaluation), please provide them with an envelope (none are included in the application package) with the following information printed on the front.

Example: for a letter of reference the information on the outside of the envelope should bear the following information: Letter of Reference for (write your first and last name)

Your application materials will first be received, logged, dated and filed by our Administrative Coordinator. Your application file will be passed on to our Registrar for review **only when the complete package** with the cheque or money order (payable to the Indigenous Certification Board of Canada or ICBOC) has been received. Be sure to include your return address on the outside of the envelope containing your application package.

IMPORTANT: You might change address during the two years leading to your certification renewal, and we won't be able to contact you at the old address. **Please do not forget to inform us of any future change of address.**

If you have any questions regarding the application package, educational requirements, or about ICBOC please call us at: 604-874-7425 or toll free 1-877-974-7425 by email at registrar@icboc.ca

We look forward to receiving your application package and to assisting you in any way that we can.

The Board and Staff of ICBOC

Check List

You are responsible for submitting **ALL** the following forms to the Registrar at the address noted on page 27. **Please visit our website for other information and documents related to this certification (www.icboc.ca).**

Personal Information Form
Assurances Form
Employment History Form
Employment Verification Form
Educational Qualifications Form
Copy of your certificates or diplomas from educational institutions
Copy of your transcripts with number of course hours for each course
Practicum/internship Report (if applicable)
Declaration verifying alternative learning/training
Verification form for training delivered by external or in-house trainers
Photocopy of certificates for trainings delivered by external or in-house trainers
Current comprehensive Job Description
Supervisor's Evaluation Form
Letters of Reference #1 - personal reference
Letters of Reference #2 - professional reference
Employers' Letter of Declaration regarding Applicants' Criminal Record Checks
Consent Form (Release of information)
Completed and signed Personal Wellness Plan
Dated and signed Code of Ethics
Payment of the Certification fee*, in the form of a cheque, or money order, payable or Indigenous Certification Board of Canada or ICBOC

^{*} For more information on applicable fees, please consult ICBOC's website at https://icboc.ca/certification/list-of-certifications/http-icboc-ca-addictions-wellness-certification-fees/

All of the required forms that make up the application package must be received by the Registrar as **one complete package** in order for us to process your application. Keep the originals of your certificates, as well as a copy of the other documents in your application for your own records.

If you require more information or assistance, please contact the ICBOC office at 604-874-7425, Toll Free 1-877-974-7425 or by email at registrar@icboc.ca

The address to submit your application is provided on page 29

Personal Information

Very important: Please ensure that your contact information can be clearly read to avoid errors when we wish to contact you by mail, email or phone. An email address makes communication easier.

APPLICANT'S FULL NAME				
	First	Middle	Last	
CURRENT POSITION				
Are you a NNADAP worker? _	Residen	tial Treatment?	or Community-based serv	vice
HOME ADDRESS				
Street				
Town/city			Province	Postal Code
HOME PHONE ()_	E	MAIL ADDRESS		
CURRENT EMPLOYER				
BUSINESS ADDRESSStreet				
Town/city			Province	Postal Code
BUSINESS PHONE ()		_EMAIL ADDRESS		Work email
FIRST NATION AFFILIATION/OF	RGANIZATION _			
Please check your preferred c	ontact locatior	1		
HOME OFFICE				

Assurances Form

I certify that I voluntarily make this application, and freely submit myself to the evaluation of the Indigenous Certification Board of Canada. I will accept the decision of the ICBOC and do accept full responsibility for any and all consequences of the process of seeking certification.

As an Indigenous Client Support Addiction Worker enrolled with ICBOC, I agree to abide by and uphold the policies, procedures, code of ethics and decisions of the Board and its officers. This "Code of Ethics" defines responsibilities to oneself, family, colleagues, clients, the public and Nations.

I certify that I have no history of alcohol or other substance misuse for a minimum period of three (3) years immediately prior to making this application.

To the best of my knowledge, the information contained herein is true and correct.

I authorize members or representatives of the ICBOC to contact and obtain information from any references, employers or educational institution(s) deemed necessary in the evaluation of this application.

I waive my right to inspect the results of any such inquiries made to references, employers, or educational institutions. I waive my right to inspect any letters of endorsement or personal reference. I waive my right to inspect the record of deliberations of the Board in considering this application.

DATE	SIGNATURE
PRINT NAME:	

Employment History

Applicant: Please list full-time, paid positions, beginning with your current position and going back consecutively for at least **five positions and/or five years.**

1. EMPLOYER	SUPERVISOR		
POSITION TITLE	DATES: from	to	
MAJOR DUTIES		month/day/year	
2. EMPLOYER	SUPERVISOR		
POSITION TITLE	DATES: from	to	
MAJOR DUTIES		month/day/year	
3. EMPLOYER	SUPERVISOR		
	DATES: from		
		month/day/year	
4. EMPLOYER	SUPERVISOR		
POSITION TITLE	DATES: from	to	
MAJOR DUTIES		month/day/year	
5. EMDLOVED	SUPERVISOR		
POSITION TITLE	DATES: from	to month/day/year	
MAJOR DUTIES			

APPLICANT'S NAME	DATE
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Employment verification form

Applicant: If verification by more than one employer is required to meet the Certified Indigenous Client Support Addiction Worker work experience standard, please photocopy this form and have it completed by these other employers.

Dear employer/supervisor:

You are requested to verify the employment of the applicant whose name appears at the top of this page, and who is applying to the Indigenous Certification Board of Canada for certification as an Indigenous Client Support Addiction Worker. Applicants must have employment utilizing wellness/addictions skills. Please return the completed and signed form to the applicant, if you prefer, you can return it in a sealed envelope. The applicant needs to submit this form with the rest of his/her application so it can be processed without delay.

Name of employing organization		·	
Address		Telephone	
City	Province/Territory	Postal Cod	e
Name of employer/supervisor (Print)			
Title of employer/supervisor:			
Position of Applicant	Employed from	To	month/day/year
Major Duties			
Additional position(s) previously held by the appli 1. Job title	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	month/day/year	TOmonth/day/year
Briefly describe the applicant's major duties in this	s previous position:		
Job title Briefly describe the applicant's major duties in this			
Signature of employer/supervisor:		Date:	
APPLICANT'S NAME		DATE	

Educational Qualifications

In the space below please provide information on your educational background. *Please note that there are provincial differences in the Canadian Education System at secondary and post-secondary levels. Please specify your academic credential.

A. Secondary Education: (che	ck appropriate box)			
☐ High School Diploma	□ GED [Other* (please specify)		
B. Post-Secondary Education	:			
Have you pursued a post-seco	ondary education p	rogram? Yes 🗆 No	o 🗆	
If the answer is yes, please pr	ovide details for ea	ch post-secondary pro	gram:	
Name of University/Col	lege:			
(Check appropriate box)	□ Degree	□ Diploma	☐ Certificate	□ Other*
Name of degree, diploma, cer	tificate or other* _			
Year degree, diploma, ce	ertificate received_			
Name of University/Col	lege:			
(Check appropriate box)	□ Degree	☐ Diploma	☐ Certificate	□ Other*
Name of degree, diploma, cer	tificate or other*			
Year degree, diploma, ce	ertificate received _			
3. Name of University/Col	lege:			
(Check appropriate box)	□ Degree	☐ Diploma	☐ Certificate	□ Other*
Name of degree, diplom	a, certificate or oth	er*		
Year degree, diploma, ce	ertificate received_			

Declaration regarding and applicant's alternative learning/training INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE DECLARATION ON PAGE 11

What is alternative learning/training?

As an indigenous, culture-based certifying body, ICBOC recognizes that, for various reasons, it is sometimes difficult to attend training outside the community. We believe that knowledge and skills can also be acquired through alternative means. ICBOC considers three distinct situations where this kind of alternative learning/training can be acquired and recognized:

Which situations are recognized as alternative learning/training?

Situation 1. Participation in cultural/traditional activities in the context of your healing work with clients. By attending and/or participating in these activities with your clients, during work hours, you are acquiring skills and knowledge about how and why these activities can impact the recovery and wellbeing of your client.

Situation 2. Cultural teachings or advice you received from an Elder at your place of employment, during the course of your work schedule. This might relate to issues pertaining to your own ability to engage with your clients, for which you are seeking guidance with the view to improve your interventions and relationship.

Situation 3. Training you have developed and delivered yourself in-house to your colleagues, your clients or to people in your community. By sharing your knowledge with others, you are also gaining valuable skills and knowledge yourself. Among the skills you will acquire are presentation skills, interpersonal skills, communication, analytical, time management skills etc...

communicating your knowledge is not a one-way process. Your audience is always made up of people who can also contribute their own ideas, views, learnings, values etc.. This will impact and enhance your own knowledge. We encourage employers and supervisors to foster the sharing of the knowledge that already exists among their staff. Creating a community/circle of learning in a workplace enhances individual and collective learning.

IMPORTANT

- Please carefully read, use and complete the form below and/or any copies you submit exactly as instructed, or it/they will not be accepted.
- Please complete one copy of the form page 11 below per situation (but you can make photocopies of each form corresponding to a given situation if you need more space).
- You can make photocopies of each form corresponding to a given situation, if you need more space.
- Do not list learnings/trainings acquired in multiple situations on one single form.
- Do not use this form to list training provided by external trainers/facilitators. If you attended inhouse or other trainings in other formats, but provided by external facilitators, please use and complete the form on page 13.
- Please note that the maximum number of hours accepted as part of the Declaration of alternative learning/training for ALL submitted forms must not exceed 26 hours.
- Ensure that each copy of the forms submitted is completed as required by a person qualified to sign it (Elder, employer, executive director, supervisor, training coordinator, human resources manager, or any other person responsible for staff training and who can be contacted).
- If it is not possible for an Elder to complete and sign a form for situation 2, it can be completed by one of the other qualified persons. However, the name and contact information of the elder MUST be provided on the form or it will not be accepted.

APPLICANT'S NAME	DATE

ICBOC - Declaration verifying an applicant's alternative learning/training

As an indigenous, culture-based certifying body, ICBOC recognizes that there are other means of learning that do not involve attending in-class training, and we believe that knowledge and skills can also be acquired through other, alternative means. We applaud employers and supervisors who encourage the sharing of knowledge that already exists in their place of work. Creating a community/circle of learning in a workplace is a great way to enhance and motivate individual and collective knowledge.

IMPORTANT: Please read, use and complete this form carefully, as instructed. Failure to do so will annul the forms.

- Do not use this form for any training provided by external trainers/facilitators. If you attended in-house training, provided by external facilitators, please request certificates, and submit them with your application
- Use ONE form for each type of situation and signatory photocopy the form as needed
- The total hours in ALL the forms submitted must not exceed 26 hours.

Please use this form to only document the hours of training acquired via the three (3) alternative ways listed below. Ensure it is completed as required by a person qualified to sign it (employer, Elder, executive director, supervisor, training coordinator, human resources manager, or any other person responsible for staff training and who can be contacted). If an Elder is not able to sign, another designated person can vouch for the activity, make sure the Elder's name and contact information is provided)

A maximum of 26 hours for all the learning acquired in one or all listed situations will be accepted. In the case of your certification renewal, this could represent over half of the 40 hours required:

- **Situation 1.** Participation in cultural/traditional activities in the context of your work with clients.
- Situation 2. Cultural teachings or advice you received from an Elder at your place of employment, during the course of your work schedule.
- **Situation 3.** Training you have yourself delivered in-house to your colleagues, your clients or the public. In this case, please also submit both a copy of the training session description, including the title, learning objectives, content description and agenda.

Date of this declaration Name		Name	of applicant					
Name of the employing organization/agency			от аррисанс					
Name of the	person	qualifi	ed to sign this de	claration				
Job Title of the	e perso	n signir	ng this declaratio	n				
Telephone				Email				
			List of	training(s) a	ttended by th	is applicant		
Date of train	ning			Title of	the training s	ession		Hours
Note: If you need more space to list the training that the applicar			nt has attended	l/completed, p	lease photocopy this pa	ge. Please		
ensure that the declaration section below is completed.								
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			•	•	•		aration and that I have	
_	ed by th	ne abov	e-named applica	nt. I declare	that the infor	mation provi	ded in this letter is co	rrect and
truthful.								
Signature of qu	ualified	person					-	
Date				Telep	hone #			
Year	Мс	nth	Day	•				

Training delivered by external providers INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE FORM ON PAGE 13

The form page 13 is to document training that you have completed and that was delivered by external providers.

Who Are Considered External Providers?

- Trainers/facilitators that are invited to your place of work or to your community to deliver training. Both of these training format are considered in-house training. but you must use the form page 13 to list these trainings and submit the required proofs.
- Facilitators, presenters or instructors who delivered the training you completed outside of your place of work or community

Types of trainings delivered by external providers

In-house training

Training delivered in your place of work or in your community are considered in-house training. But you must use the form page 13 to list these trainings and submit the required proofs.

External training

The following are considered external training, delivered by external providers:

- Formal courses or programs delivered by universities and/or colleges or other educational institutions (online or classroom-based)
- Informal training in the form of workshops, stand-alone courses, webinars, including those delivered by independent trainers or in the context of conferences (online or classroom based)

What are the proofs of training accepted by ICBOC?

- 1. Certificates: You are responsible for obtaining certificates of attendance/completion from external training providers. Certificates must be submitted for every completed training and must bear the following information: the name or logo of the training provider, your full name, the date (s) of the training, the training title(s) and number of training hours, and the signature of the training provider or facilitator. Certificates that do not indicate these information items are not accepted. When only the date(s) of training is/are indicated on the certificates, ICBOC grants 6.5 hours for each day of training.
- 2. Declarations or affidavits: If under special circumstances, you do not have access to or cannot acquire a certificate, ICBOC will accept a declaration on the employer's letterhead, from a person qualified to vouch for the training you have completed. This includes your employer/executive director, your supervisor, the human resources manager of training coordinator or manager. The declaration must mention your full name, the date(s) of the training, the training title(s) and number of training hours, as well as the complete and legible contact information of the qualified signatory.
- **3. Official transcripts** are required when you have graduated from a training program from a college, university or other educational institution.
- 4. Unofficial transcripts are accepted for programs that have been partially completed.
 - The name of the institution, the student and the program must be documented on these transcripts.
 - Please provide the internet link to the program so that ICBOC can review the course descriptions. ICBOC might request from you a description of the courses completed.
- 5. Proof of Conference training attendance/completion If your training was completed in the context of a conference, please provide a certificate showing the title and hours for every session attended. Registration receipts, copy of conference program etc... are not accepted as proof of attendance and completion

Verification form for training delivered by external or in-house trainers

Employers might arrange for their staff to obtain training in different ways. The training might be delivered by external trainers either outside the place of work or in-house. Several employers now use in-house qualified staff as trainers or even create communities of learning within the place of work by encouraging staff with specific knowledge to share it with their colleagues and clients. Whichever way training is received by a certification applicant, it must be supported by a proof of completion/attendance in a form acceptable to ICBOC.

List of training(s) attended by this applicant	1	C
Title of the learning/training	Hours	Certificate
MPORTANT: To be accepted, certificates must bear the name and logo of the training provider, the title(s)		<u> </u>

hours of the training(s), as well as the training must bear the name and logo of the training provider, the title(s), date(s) and number of hours of the training(s), as well as the trainer's signature. Applicant are responsible for demanding ICBOC-acceptable certificates.

Declarations which are submitted as proof of training must bear the name, address and logo or the employing organization, the title(s), date(s) and number of hours of the training(s), as well as the printed name and signature of the Executive Director/Supervisor.

Note: If you need more space to list the training that the applicant has attended/completed, please photocopy this page. **Please ensure that the section of the declaration below is completed.**

Supervisor's Evaluation Form (page 14 to 18)

Note to applicant: if the person you are asking to complete this form has not been your supervisor to months, please copy this form and request that your former supervisor also provide their commen		least	six (6	6)
NAME OF APPLICANT:				
To be filled in by applicant				_
Dear employer/supervisor: You are requested to verify the employment of the applicant whose name appears above and who is Indigenous Certification Board of Canada for certification as an Indigenous Client Support Addiction was thave employment utilizing wellness/addictions skills. Please return the completed and signed applicant, if you prefer, return it to the applicant in a sealed envelope. The applicant needs to submerest of his/her application so it can be processed without delay.	Work form	er. Ap	plica e	nts
LENGTH OF TIME YOU HAVE SUPERVISED THE APPLICANT:				
Please indicate the percentage of time the applicant spends on the following during a week of wor	k:			
Brief Intervention/Counselling % Care/wellness activity planning % Client supervision		pport	: [%
IMPORTANT: Please place a cross (x) in the box that most accurately reflects the applicant's knowled competency for each of the statements Scoring key: 1=Need more training /experience 2=Adequate 3=Good 4=Excellent	lge, s	kill or		
CICSAW – CORE KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS IN ADDICTIONS AND MENTAL HEAI	тн			
Introduction to Addictions (within an aboriginal perspective)	1	2	3	4
Knowledge of various forms of addictions including substance, solvents, and process addictions				
Knowledge of the signs and symptoms of addictions and/or polydrug abuse, including physical and psychological aspects				
Knowledge of the basic principles and definitions of pharmacology				
Knowledge of the effects of addictions on individuals, family & community				
Ability to identify the linkages associated with resilience and other protective and predisposing factors				
Scores				
Total Score Ad	ldict	ions		
Introduction to Mental Wellness	1	2	3	4
Knowledge of the cultural elements that support mental wellness and are necessary for healthy individual, community and family life				
Knowledge of the Social determinants of health that are critical to supporting and maintaining wellness				
Knowledge of the relationship between colonialism and mental Health				
Knowledge of the Aboriginal ways of knowing and understanding mental health				
Knowledge of mental illnesses or mental health issues often experienced by clients with concurrent disorders				

40

Scores
Total Score Mental Wellness

Maximum Required Score - Addictions & Mental Wellness

CICSAW – KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS IN SUPPORT OF PROFESSIONAL PRACTI	CE			
Interpersonal Communication	1	2	3	4
Ability to use active listening & encourage healthy two-way communication				
Ability to communicate effectively to establish and maintain helping relationships with clients and family members				
Demonstrate respect and non-judgmental attitude toward clients, colleagues, other professionals and agencies.				
Speaks his/her Indigenous language				
Motivational Interviewing	1	2	3	4
Basic knowledge of motivational interviewing techniques and benefits				
Ability to use these techniques to bring positive changes in clients values and behavior.				
Pharmacology	1	2	3	4
Basic knowledge of the classifications and names of psychoactive substances and their major clinical effects				
Ability to safely administer client's medications				
Brief Counselling Intervention	1	2	3	4
Knowledge of a range of brief counselling approaches				
Ability to use these approaches in a culturally appropriate way				
Conflict Resolution	1	2	3	4
Knowledge of conflict resolution approaches and techniques				
Ability to use these approaches and tools to diffuse and resolve conflict effectively				
Self-Care	1	2	3	4
Awareness of the overarching traditional values and practices that support and uphold wellness				
Ability to develop and follow a personal wellness plan based on the mental, emotional, physical and spiritual facets of a healthy and balanced life.				
Ability to acknowledge one's limits and seek help when needed				
Client Education	1	2	3	4
Ability to develop range and depth of knowledge for the benefit of clients and colleagues				
Knowledge and use of effective presentation techniques for knowledge sharing				
Ability to match education techniques to a variety of audiences, their ability to understand				
Safety Issues	1	2	3	4
Knowledge of techniques and approaches that prevent a variety of incidents, hazards and and accidents				
Knowledge of techniques and approaches that must be applied in a variety of incidents, hazards and accidents				
Scores				
То	tal S	core		<u> </u>
Maximum Required Score - Knowledge and Skills in Support of Professional	Prac	ctice	8	30

CICSAW - 8 CORE FUNCTIONS				
1. PRIMARY SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT	1	2	3	4
Knowledge of the importance of cultural awareness and safety in early identification and intervention services				
Ability to identify and understand client needs, concerns and issues				
Knowledge of the role of assessment as a component of a client-centered plan				
Knowledge of data gathering tools for client screening, admission and assessment				
Ability to document client information, adhering to all relevant procedures, templates or guides to ensure completeness and accuracy				
2. CARE/WELLNESS ACTIVITY PLANNING	1	2	3	4
Ability to involve clients in the decision making process leading to the planning of individual or family health promoting activities				
Ability to develop care plans with a strong focus on client strengths, cultural identity, engagement and resilience				
Ability to consider the role of the family and detachment from children as factors in care planning success				
Awareness of needs for medical care, safety and support to forge and maintain a wellness lifestyle				
Capacity to translate assessment information into care plans with clear goals and outcomes				
3. CARE FACILITATION	1	2	3	4
Ability to describe to the client the general nature and goals of the program, rules governing client conduct etc				
Ability to include community and family members when facilitating care and to ensure				
client's other service providers have access to shared information				
Ability to explains trauma and intergenerational trauma in an Indigenous context and				
demonstrates that Indigenous healing practices are valued				
Ability to locate, and supports access to cultural services and community support systems for all clients				
Ability to share evaluation findings with the clients and their families and in working				
through their reactions and/or resistance to this evaluation				
4. CLIENT SUPERVISION AND SUPPORT	1	2	3	4
Ability to follow policies and procedure in the supervision and orientation of clients				
Ability to assist clients in maintaining appropriate standards of behaviour and attitudes				
according to established therapeutic intervention practices				
Provides supporting care through informal means including community and family members				
Ability to ensure client discharge process and procedures are followed in accordance with	†			
policies				
Ability to supervise, coordinate and facilitate daily recreational, fitness and social activities				
Scores				
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Total score	tilis į	8-		

CICSAW - 8 CORE FUNCTIONS (Continued)				
5. CLIENT ENGAGEMENT	1	2	3	4
Ability to recognize denial defense behaviors and mechanisms and to motivate clients				
Ability to encourages clients to develop and use support groups involving both family and community to stay focused on their healing journey				
Ability to use crafts or working with one's hands (e.g., beadwork, sewing, drawing and				
similar activities) as a process supporting participant engagement				
Ability to encourages clients to develop and use support groups involving both family and				
community to stay focused on their healing journey				
Ability to create a positive encouraging environment for all activities involving clients and				
their family				
6. BRIEF INTERVENTION/COUNSELLING	1	2	3	4
Ability to assure clients that every effort is made to understand their point of view				
Ability to tailor brief interventions to be culturally sensitive and responsive to clients' needs and situation				
Understanding of the benefits in using brief interventions				
Ability to match models of behaviour and behaviour change to clients' needs and goals				
Knowledge of interviewing approaches and techniques to motivate and engage clients				
7. CLIENT EDUCATION	1	2	3	4
Understands how involving clients in decisions about their own treatment path helps to				
rewire brain pathways				
Ability to incorporate storytelling to teach indigenous culture while connecting to cultural				
identity and teaching relevant wellness skills and knowledge				
Ability to uses community media and other means to promote culturally relevant,				
community-based health activities				
Ability to coordinate or deliver groupe/individual activities to enhance family relationships				
Ability to share knowledge and be a role model in terms of personal commitment to				
personal healing, positive relationships and to a healthy lifestyle				
8. CLIENT SAFETY	1	2	3	4
Ability to supervise effectively clients self-administering medication and to inform senior				
professionals if incorrect usage of is suspected				
Knowledge of what constitutes a crisis - ability to recognize a client in crisis				
Ability to ensure safe driving practices when providing client's transport to activities,				
outings and appointments				
Ability to participate fully in all security and safety measures, policies and procedures				
ensuring the safety of clients, co-workers and stakeholders				
Ability to report and respond appropriately to client injury or illness				
Scores				
Total Score	this p	age		1
Maximum Required Score – All 8 Core	unct	ions	1	60

CULTURAL COMPETENCIES				
Cultural Competencies	1	2	3	4
Knowledge and understanding of the repercussions of colonization on Indigenous peoples				
Knowledge of the intergenerational trauma stemming from the Residential School system				
Ability to implement and incorporate culture, beliefs, values and traditions in interventions				
Ability to support and assist client participation in traditional and cultural aspects of spiritual recovery (ceremonies and other cultural/spiritual activities)				
Understands the positive impacts of culturally appropriate care on recovery and wellbeing				
Uses his/her indigenous language in the services provided to clients				
Scores				
Total Score Cultural comp	eter	icies		
PROFESSIONAL INTEGRITY				
Professional Attitude	1	2	3	4
Ability to maintain a genuine, warm, supportive, compassionate, healthy and balanced relationship with clients				
Ability to be exemplary, courteous and tactful in all situations and interactions				
Communicate truthfully, avoid misleading or raising unreasonable expectations in others				
Ability to work under supervision and to cooperate with other personnel as well as function effectively with minimal supervision				
Ability to respect the customs and beliefs of others				
Professional Ethics	1	2	3	4
Knowledge of the values/teachings that guide personal and profession conduct in relationships				
Knowledge of the professional ethical conduct guidelines, policies, and procedures in place at the place of work				
Knowledge of the legal rights of clients				
Demonstrates commitment to develop and maintain professional competence				T
Commitment to treat all clients with respect (irrespective of age, gender identity, race, ethnicity, culture, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, disability, socioeconomic status or any other basis				
Scores				
Total Score Professional	Inte	grity		

GLOSSARY OF TERMS - Supervisor's Reference

Moral Character

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Professionalism

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Community Standing

Consider community activities other than those involved with the field of alcoholism/drug addiction as well as leadership activities

Commitment to helping alcohol/drug mis-users

State evidence that the applicant considers his/her involvement in the field as more than a "job"

SUPERVISOR'S REFERENCE - Please comment on the following				
Moral Character				
Professionalism				
Community Standing				
Non-Alcohol/Drug Related Activities				
Personal history of alcohol or other substance mis-use				
Commitment to helping alcohol/drug mis-users				
Name of Supervisor (please print):				
ADDRESS				
Street	City			
Province Postal code	TELEPHONE ()			
Signature:	Date:			

Employers¹ Letter of Declaration Regarding Applicants Criminal Record Checks

ICBOC does **not** require criminal record checks as part of our certification process. The responsibility for ensuring that checks are done to protect the safety and welfare of clients rests with the employer. To know more about the ICBOC's Policy on Criminal Record Checks, please contact ICBOC.

LETTER OF DECLARATION REGARDING THE CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK OF AN APPLICANT SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION WITH ICBOC
Name of applicant
Name of organisation or institution where the applicant is employed
Employer's name
I, affirm that I am the applicant's employer.
I moreover declare that, in accordance with all applicable laws, a criminal record check was conducted on the applicant prior to commencement of employment and/or within 90 days of applying for certification and that, as an employer, I am satisfied that the applicant does not pose any risk to clients.
I confirm that that I am the person authorized to sign this declaration and that the information I have provided in this declaration is correct and complete.
Signature of the employer
Date:

¹ By "Employer" is meant any person who is legally responsible for insuring the verification of criminal record checks for all employees and who is authorized to sign this declaration

Personal Letter of Reference #1 In support of an application for certification as an Indigenous Client Support Addiction Worker NAME OF APPLICANT: To be filled in by applicant The above-named individual has applied for certification as an Indigenous Client Support Addiction Worker with the Indigenous Certification Board of Canada. To assist the Board in its evaluation of this applicant, the following information is requested. Please do not provide this information unless you have known the applicant personally for at least three years. The referee must not be a relative. A glossary of terms has been provided to assist you. If you wish, you can return the completed letter of reference in a sealed envelope to the applicant. Failure to provide this reference will jeopardize the timely processing of this application. LENGTH OF TIME YOU HAVE KNOWN THE APPLICANT: RELATIONSHIP TO THE APPLICANT (check appropriate box) Friend Co-worker Supervisor Non-relative (Check this box if appropriate) Please comment on the following characteristics regarding the applicant: 1. Moral Character____ 2. Professionalism______ 3. Community Standing 4. Non-Alcohol/Drug Related Activities 5. Personal history of alcohol or other substance misuse (length of non-use) ______ 6. Commitment to helping alcohol/drug mis-users ______

Personal Letter of Reference	#1 (second page)		
7. Volunteer Activities			
8. Other Remarks			
Name of Referee		 Please print	
	Address		
	City	Province	PC
	Telephone ()		
	Signature		
	Date:		
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Professional Letter of Reference #2

In support of an application for certification as a Certified Indigenous Client Support Addiction Worker
NAME OF APPLICANT: To be filled in by applicant
The above-named individual has applied for certification as an Indigenous Client Support Addiction Worker with the Indigenous Certification Board of Canada. To assist the Board in its evaluation of this applicant, the following information is requested. You must have known the applicant <u>professionally</u> for at least three years. The referee must not be a relative. A glossary of terms has been provided to assist you.
If you wish, you can return the completed letter of reference in a sealed envelope to the applicant. Failure to provide thi reference will jeopardize the timely processing of this application.
LENGTH OF TIME YOU HAVE KNOWN THE APPLICANT:
RELATIONSHIP TO THE APPLICANT (check appropriate box)
Friend Co-worker Supervisor Non-relative (Check this box if appropriate)
Please comment on the following characteristics regarding the applicant:
1. Moral Character
2. Professionalism
3. Community Standing
4. Non-Alcohol/Drug Related Activities
5. Personal history of alcohol or other substance misuse (length of non-use)
6. Commitment to helping alcohol/drug mis-users

Name of Referee	Please print	
Address		
City	Province	PC
Telephone ()		
Signature		
Date:		

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consent form from you.

Consent for the release of information

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Print Name of Employee		Print Name of Employer/Organization
application to persons that the ICBO	OC might needs to consult to below (write a list of names	documentation pertaining to my certification for the purpose of certification, except to the of individuals or organisations to whom ICBO
f you authorize the ICBOC to release ndicate below the information you o		noose to limit the information released. Place
This consent for release of information		time by written request addressed to the your ICBOC certification
Signature:	·	Date:
Witness Name:		-
Witness Signature:		
		Registry of certified professionals if we do not have this

Personal Wellness Plan

Circle of Life

All **Certified Indigenous Client Support Addiction Worker** will have a personal health and wellness plan. This plan is a continuous day-to-day action plan that maximizes the individual's potential in each quadrant of the Circle of Life.

Below is a list to assist you to develop your personal wellness plan. Use it each day, keep in mind that balance in your own life is your own responsibility that reflects your credibility.

" My Wisdom of Choice is my great gift received from the Creator. I draw on the teachings and wisdom of Elders whom I know and respect. Their insights provide the vision I need to discover my purpose."

Make changes, additions, or modifications to the list below, it's a guide designed to help you get started.

- **1.** List what is necessary to remain balanced in each of your four quadrants.
- 2. Take time to consider the common feelings, actions and thoughts that support your total well being.

Examples:

a. Strengths

People skills, gentleness, sense of humor, insight, respect, vision, hopes and dreams, dedication, commitment, skills, experience, knowledge.

b. Spiritual

Traditional/cultural ceremonies, prayer, spiritual readings, meditation.

c. Emotional

Cultural practices, healing, work environment, adventure, rest and relaxation, feelings, virtues, beliefs, values, self-esteem.

d. Physical

Nutritious foods, exercise, clean body and environment, no-smoking, no-alcohol, no-drugs, safe sex.

e. Mental/Social/Cultural

Work life, school life, social and fun, financial knowledge, health knowledge, cultural practices. Nuclear and extended family, relationships, old and new friends, new information, self-expression, anger management.

My P	My Personal Wellness Plan				
My na	ame:	Date:	Signature:		
Α.	My Strengths:				
			goals I choose for myself:		
В	For my <u>Spiritual</u> well being:				
	My goal is:				
	Steps I take to reach my goal:				
	1				
	2				
	3				
C.	For my Emotional well being:				
	My goal is:				
	Steps I take to reach my goal:				
	1				
	2				
	3				
D.	For my Physical well being:				
	My goal is:				
	Steps I take to reach my goal: 1.				
	2				
	3				
E.	For my Mental well being,:				
	My goal is:				
	Steps I take to reach my goal: 1				
	2				
	2				

ICBOC CODE OF ETHICS

This "Code of Ethics" that we choose to live by is built on the cultural integrity of traditional Indigenous healing philosophy. Please sign and date it, and submit it with your application

- Abstain from substance mis-use and process addictions during our tenure as Indigenous certified addictions professionals.
- Strive to incorporate the spiritual teachings of our ancestors into our daily lives. Take personal responsibility for continued growth through education, training and a developmental wellness plan.
- Be dedicated to the concept that addictions are treatable and the primary goal is to maintain recovery and wellness of the client.
- Show a genuine interest in helping and serving persons with addictions issues and be dedicated to the concept of wellness, recovery and holistic healing.
- Honour cultural and traditional teachings that empower clients to choose a healthy lifestyle.
- Recognize the therapeutic value of humour.
- Accept and show respect for the diversity of all peoples and honour their race, colour, creed, age, sexual orientation, cultural/spiritual practices and views.
- Respect the client by maintaining an objective professional relationship at all times. Avoid dual relationships at all times.
- Protect the confidentiality of all professionally acquired information. Disclosure of such information
 is done only when required or allowed by law to do so, or when clients have consented to disclosure.
 This includes all records, materials, and communications.
- Make a commitment to provide the highest quality of service possible. This is evidenced by continued professional interaction with the client and, where necessary, the utilization of other health professionals and/or services to assist and guide the client in her/his recovery and wellness.
- Assess personal and vocational strengths, limitations, biases, and effectiveness and be willing to recognize when it is in the client's best interest to refer or release them to other individuals and/or support programs.
- Be respectful of, work within, and strive to improve institutional policies and management functions.
- Respect all policies, codes of ethics, code of conduct, and any other clause, regulation, stipulation in effect in your place of work and that you are responsible to apply in your personal and/or professional life
- Insure the safety and welfare of clients by respecting all applicable federal and/or provincial laws of Canada regarding criminal records checks.

Signature		
	Date:	
Name (Please print)		

WHERE TO SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

If you have questions or need more information, don't hesitate to contact us, we are here to assist you.

Please send your application, with the certification fee* to the following address. Cheques and money orders to be made to ICBOC.

Registrar, ICBOC #207 – 2735 East Hastings Street Vancouver, BC V5K 1Z8

Telephone: 604-874-7425

Fax: 604-874-7425
Toll free: 1-877-974-7425
Email: registrar@icboc.ca
Website: www.icboc.ca

*For more information on applicable fees, please consult the list of fees on the ICBOC's Website at https://icboc.ca/certification/list-of-certifications/http-icboc-ca-addictions-wellness-certification-fees/

	SUMMARY OF STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS	
C	CERTIFIED INDIGENOUS CLIENT SUPPORT ADDICTION WORKER	
Education	(CICSAW)	
Education	Completion of Secondary school or other studies at higher level that include courses in the required education /training for this contification.	Hours
	in the required education/training for this certification	
	Five hundred hours (6 months) of work experience or practice in direct support	
	services to clients affected by addictions or mental issues. and that can be accumulated in the following manner:	
	Paid work experience in the current position and in remunerated	
Experience	previous occupations providing services similar to the current	500
	employment	
	Experience acquired by means of a practicum/internship/placement, undertaken	
	as part of a program of studies	
	Proven experience as a volunteer providing services similar to the	
	current employment (to a maximum of 100 hours)	
	Please note that this certification is not available for administrative positions.	
Educatio	Core Knowledge and Skills in Addiction and Wellness	60
n or	Counselling Knowledge and Skills	20
Training	General Knowledge and Skills in Support of Professional Practice	60
250 hours	Cultural Knowledge and Skills	30
minimum	Knowledge and Practice in the 8 Core Functions	40
	Addiction and Mental Wellness-Related Topics (See list of topics page 2)	40
Supervisor's	Introduction to Addictions	
Evaluation	Introduction to Mental Wellness	
Minimum Score	Knowledge and Skills in Support of Professional Practice	70%
	Knowledge and Skills in the 8 Core Functions	
	Cultural Competencies	
	Professional Integrity	
Practicum	Some hours of training in the core functions can be counted (must submit Practicum	
Report) Core Knowledge and Skills in Addiction and Wellness		60 hrs
Forms of addictions including substance, solvents, and process addictions		
		10 10
Signs and symptoms of addiction including physical and psychological aspects Risk factors and protective factors		4
Treatment approaches to addiction		10
Effects of addiction on the individual and the family		10
Basic mental health concepts and issues		6
Cultural concepts that support mental wellness (individual, community, family)		10
Counselling Knowledge and Skills		20 hrs
Counselling approaches/techniques		10
One-on-one, group, family counselling		10
General Knowledge and Skills in Support of Professional Practice		60 hrs
Interpersonal communications		10
Motivational Interviewing		6
Pharmacology		6
Brief intervention/basic counselling		10
Conflict Resolution		6
Self-care		6
Safety and security issues and topics		10
Professional Ethics		6
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Cultural Knowledge and Skills	30 hrs
Cultural/traditional knowledge and skills acquired through formal or informal education, or training/learning	
context of working with/treating a client, focused on topics specific to Aboriginal culture, traditions, socio-	
historical	
issues.	
Residential school issues and/or decolonization	
Sixties Scoop	
Jordan's Principle	5
Knowledge and Practice in the 8 core functions	
Primary screening/Assessment	
Care planning	
Care facilitation	
Client supervision and support	
Client engagement	
Referral	
Client education	

Addiction and Mental Wellness-Related Topics (See list on this page)

NOTE ON EDUCATION/TRAINING

The required training hours may be acquired through university or college education programs, informal training offered by a range of training providers, including independent trainers. This training may be delivered in a variety of formats (programs, courses, workshops, seminars, webinars) and venues (class setting, in-house, online, conferences). ICBOC also accepts training hours acquired through alternative forms of learning/training. All training hours must be supported by proof of attendance/completion.

This includes transcripts, certificates and affidavits/declarations by qualified persons. Certificates must clearly bear the name of the provider, the title of the training, number of hours, date(s) of training and signature of the provider/trainer.

Declarations/affidavits must be written on the employer letterhead, include the title of the training, number of hours, date(s) of training and signature of the provider/trainer and bear the name of the qualified person, his/her signature, and telephone or other contact information.

Addiction and Mental Wellness-Related topics(list not exhaustive)

- Grief work
- FASD

Team work

- Mental health
- Residential School & Intergenerational Trauma
- Aboriginal & Western therapeutic Approaches
- Philosophies & theories Aboriginal healing practices
- HIV/AIDS
- STDs
- Indigenous & mainstream approaches to self-care and wellness
- Neurological aspects of addictions
- Nutrition and Alcohol and drug addictions
- Diabetes

- Trauma work
- Suicide
- Relapse prevention
- Specific drugs/substances
- Co-occurring disorders
- Cultural healing practices
- Resilience
- Concurrent disorders
- Healthy lifestyle/life coaching topics
- Healthy parenting
- LGBTQ issues
- Addictions-Related health issues
- Alternative healing practices