
Early Childhood Mental Health Credential

How to Apply

Please follow these steps to begin the initial ECMH credential application process.

Sign in to your Ohio Professional Registry (OPR) profile. If you do not already have an OPR profile, and need assistance with creating one, view our [Create OPR Profile Resources](#) webpage for additional details. Do not create duplicate profiles.

1. Enter employment information in the Employment section of your profile:
 - a. Employment Type: Early Childhood Mental Health
 - b. Continue completing the Employment Details by entering Employer Name, entering the Roles at Employer (do this by clicking the green +Add Role button), and Additional Details including Start Date. Once entered, click Save Employment.
2. Upload to the Education section of your profile:
 - a. Official transcript
3. Upload to the Credential section of your profile:
 - a. Current Professional License
4. Upload to the Professional Development section of your profile:
 - a. Employment Letter
 - i. Document must be on employer's letter head and signed by supervisor or human resource official
 - ii. Employment must be with an Ohio Department Mental Health and Addiction Services (ODMHAS) certified mental health agency currently or within the past two years
 - iii. Letter must state applicant has worked in ECMH a minimum of two years at the time of application
 - iv. Documentation must state ONE of the following
 1. applicant is working with children birth-6 and their families currently OR within the past three years
 2. applicant is supervising a professional working with children birth-6 currently OR within the past three years.
 - b. Ohio ECMH Core Competencies Skills Inventory Self-Assessment Summary Page.
 - c. The New Ohio/Georgetown Model for ECMH training dated 2012 to current.
 - d. Devereux Early Childhood Assessment (DECA)
5. Once all documentation has been uploaded, send an email to support@ocrra.org stating your intent to apply for the ECMH credential.