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Welcome to the first *Training Solutions* in 2025! We have some exciting updates to share!

In this edition of *Training Solutions* you can find:

- Information about upcoming changes to the Technical Assistance (TA) Professional Types
- Child Care Foundational Training (CCFT) FAQs
- An introduction to Encouraging Little Minds
- Save the Date for the 2025 PDAS Summit

As always, please [contact us](#) for any questions you have regarding the information below.

Best Regards,

The Wisconsin Registry Professional Development Team



TAP TYPES UPDATE COMING SOON

We are excited to announce Technical Assistance (TA) Professional Types will be expanding soon. We expect these new changes to rollout in early February.

Technical Assistance (TA) Professional Types

Those currently approved as a TA Professional will be designated as Advanced Technical Assistance Professionals. Additionally, two new types, Basic and Intermediate have been added to include those who do not yet meet the current requirements for TA Professional, but are working toward this.

The additional TA Professional Types aims to be more inclusive and enable a broader range of individuals to provide consulting, mentoring, coaching, and TA Professional events in the field.

Highlights of the [new TA Professional levels](#) can be found below. All four levels require a Department of Justice Name Based Criminal History Record check completed within the last five years and a signed Registry T-Tap Agreement. They all also require completion of the PDAs Foundations Courses and PDAS Technical Assistance Professional course or equivalent.

Provisional TA Professional

- **Education Level:** Registry Level 10 or up with related credentials, licensure, or agency endorsement in a specialty area.
- **Experience:** One (1) year in an approved program or agency and two (2) years working directly with children.
- **Training Experience:** Mentoring agreement with an approved Registry Technical Assistance Professional for one (1) year.

Basic Technical Assistance Professional

- **Education Level:** Registry Level 10 or up with related credentials, licensure, or agency endorsement in a specialty area.

- **Experience:** Two (2) years in an approved program or agency and two (2) years working directly with children.
- **Training Experience:** Twenty (20) hours of Technical Assistance experience.

Intermediate Technical Assistance Professional

- **Education Level:** Registry Level 12 or up with related credentials, licensure, or agency endorsement in a specialty area.
- **Experience:** Four (4) years in an approved program or agency and two (2) years working directly with children.
- **Training Experience:** Forty (40) hours of Technical Assistance experience.

Advanced Technical Assistance Professional

- **Education Level:** Registry Level 13 or up with related credentials, licensure, or agency endorsement in a specialty area.
- **Experience:** Four (4) years in an approved program or agency and two (2) years working directly with children.
- **Training Experience:** Forty (40) hours of Technical Assistance experience and two (2) years of responsibility for the professional development of others.

CCFT FAQs

We have a couple of Child Care Foundational Training (CCFT) FAQs to share!

What if an Individual registered for a Training I am offering, but either signed up for the wrong course and/or can't attend?

- If you are offering a course they are interested in, you as a Trainer can transfer them! For steps to complete this, please refer to [Online Registration Part 4 - Registration Changes](#).

Someone contacted me about a Training I am offering and they missed the deadline to register. What can be done?

- You have the option to add them to your training! For steps to complete this, please refer to the Registering Staff appendix of our [Registering for Training Events Guide](#).

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WI Infant and Early Childhood
Mental Health Workforce Registry

Mental health care for infants and young children is a critical resource for families and child care providers. Encouraging Little Minds, an extension of the Wisconsin Registry, is bridging the gap between infant and early childhood mental health care professionals and those who provide care to infants and young children.

Resources

Our website has several helpful resources for infant and early childhood mental health care professionals looking to join this workforce registry. We encourage you to pass these along to any professionals in the early childhood mental health care field.

- [Encouraging Little Minds Website](#)
- [Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health \(IECMH\) Consultant Level Requirements Chart](#)
- [Tips and Tricks for IECMH Membership Application](#)

Partners

Funded by the Department of Children and Families (DCF), this project introduces a new dimension to the ECE workforce registry. Encouraging Little Minds works

closely with our partners at Wisconsin Alliance for Infant Mental Health (WI-AIMH) and Healthy Minds Healthy Children (HMHC) to support Wisconsin's infant and early childhood mental health consultants. We encourage you to visit our partner's websites to learn more!

- [Wisconsin Alliance for Infant Mental Health \(WI-AIMH\)](#)
- [Healthy Minds Healthy Children](#)

Finding Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Care Professionals

If you are looking to work with an IECMH consultant, the directory is available in your Wisconsin Registry profile! After logging into your profile, use the left-hand menu and click on 'Search IECMH Consultants.

The screenshot shows the Wisconsin Registry user interface. On the left is a green navigation menu with the following items: Personal Profile, Invoices, Interactive Attendance, Professional Development Plan, Registry Reports, Search Training Events, Search Course Catalog, Search Trainer Directory, Search IECMH Consultants (highlighted with a red arrow), Registry Home, and Logout. The main content area is titled 'My Profile' and includes a notification: 'How long does it take to process an application? We are currently processing materials received from individuals on Tuesday, September 3, 2024'. Below this is a tabbed interface with tabs for Education, Employment, Training, Professional, and Reports. A text box contains information about recalculating career level and submitting documentation, with a link to the 'Membership Application Guide'. At the bottom, there is a link for 'Benefits: Learn more about your benefits as a current Registry Member.'

SAVE THE DATE: 2025 PDAS SUMMIT

We are excited to announce the date for the 2025 PDAS Summit! This year's Summit will be held on Thursday, September 25, 2025 at the Harley-Davidson of Madison. We hope to see you there!

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