



NCIMHA

NORTH CAROLINA
INFANT AND EARLY CHILDHOOD
MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION

Applying for Infant Mental Health Endorsement® Step by Step



LEARN MORE & REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

Determine your
Endorsement category
—
Fill out an
Endorsement Interest
Form
—
Consider completing a
Getting Started Guide



COHORT SELECTION

NCIMHA selects 15
person cohorts to
deliberately build
capacity
&
ensure diversity



COHORTS REGISTER IN EASY

Ensure NCIMHA
membership
—
Cohort members
register in EASy
—
Pay Registration
Fee



COMPLETE EASY APPLICATION

Applicants complete
application over the
next 6 months

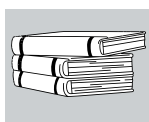
Applicants are offered:
*in system
communication,
monthly group
support
&
1:1 support (as needed)*



SUBMIT APPLICATION FOR REVIEW

Pay Processing Fee
—
Submit application for
peer review
(allow up to 8 weeks)
—
IFA/IFS Applicants:
Endorsed

IMHS/IMHM:
Exam Eligible



STUDY FOR EXAM

IMHS/IMHM only

NCIMHA offers
2 optional study
sessions for IMHS
and IMHM
applicants approved
to take the exam



EXAM

IMHS/IMHM only

NCIMHA schedules
the exam
2-3 times/year based
on need and capacity
—
***Exam options:**
in person (preferred)
virtual 1:1 (as needed)



EXAM REVIEW

IMHS/IMHM only

Allow up to 10 weeks for
exam review by two
Endorsed peers

Applicants will be
provided written
feedback on their exam
—
IMHS/IMHM Applicants:
Endorsed

*The Alliance is piloting a virtual platform for exam administration in 2022, with projected release in 2023, that will likely change exam procedures and scheduling



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Endorsement Fees

	Infant Family Associate	Infant Family Specialist	Infant Mental Health Specialist	Infant Mental Health Mentor
NCIMHA Membership	\$ 50 Annually (January-December)	\$ 50 Annually (January-December)	\$ 50 Annually (January-December)	\$ 50 Annually (January-December)
Registration Fee	\$25 at beginning of application process	\$25 at beginning of application process	\$25 at beginning of application process	\$25 at beginning of application process
Processing Fee	\$25 paid upon submission of application	\$50 paid upon submission of application	\$175* paid upon submission of application	\$225* paid upon submission of application
Total	\$100	\$125	\$250	\$300

*IMHS and IMHM category Processing Fees are substantially higher due to the need to contract with exam reviewers, initially through the Alliance for the Advancement of Infant Mental Health and then within a trained pool of NCIMHA Exam Reviewers