

Pyramid Facilitator Certification

Key Information

Introduction

Healthy Child Care Colorado's (HCCC) mission is to build safe, supportive, and healthy early childhood settings and systems where children and professionals learn and grow.



Obesity Prevention



Social & Emotional
Well-Being



Oral Health



Injury Prevention

HCCC serves as the statewide Pyramid Colorado Network Hub. The purpose of Pyramid Colorado is to promote the social-emotional development and inclusion of all children ages birth through five by supporting and expanding evidence-based Pyramid practices in Colorado.

Description

The Pyramid Facilitator Certification is an intentional professional development pathway designed to support professionals in their efforts to improve and support the capacity of state systems, communities, and local programs that implement the Pyramid Model. The Pyramid Model is an early childhood multi-tiered system of support to improve the social, emotional, and behavioral outcomes of young children with, and at-risk for, developmental disabilities or delays.

The ten-month program runs from September – June annually and includes opportunities to learn and practice strategies to effectively facilitate Pyramid training and coaching as well as utilize observation tools and participate in program-wide leadership team planning.

Application & Selection

- The Pyramid Facilitator Certification application launches on May 2, 2022
- Pyramid Facilitator Certification Information Session is being held on May 5, 2022, and the recording will be posted on HCCC's website

- All applications must be completed using the online application and must also upload all required attachments by 11:59 pm on Sunday, June 12, 2022
- Notification of the status application will be shared via email by June 20, 2022
- Submit a completed agreement and payment on or before July 31, 2022

Key Dates

All Certification Candidates must be available to attend the following professional development events.

Date(s)	Time	Location	Event
September 2	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Virtual	Certification Candidate Orientation
September 22 & 23	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Virtual	Prevent Teach Reinforce for Young Children (PTR-YC) Training
October 4	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	In-Person	Pyramid Certification Pre-Institute
October 5 - 7	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	In-Person	Pyramid Certification Institute
November 16 - 18	8:00 am – 1:00 pm	Virtual	Teaching Pyramid Observation Tool (TPOT) Reliability Workshop*
November 28 - 30	8:00 am – 1:00 pm	Virtual	Teaching Pyramid Infant Toddler Observation Scale (TPITOS) Reliability Workshop*
June 23, 2023	TBD	In-Person	Certification Cohort Celebration!

*Certification Candidates will attend either the TPOT or TPITOS Reliability Workshop



Pyramid Observation Tools

All participants must select one observation tool to become reliable in during the Certification process.

Cohort members will be allowed to waive the observation tool reliability workshop if they have a Certificate of Completion that is less than 5 years old for one or both of the following:

- Teaching Pyramid Observation Tool (TPOT)
- Teaching Pyramid Infant Toddler Observation Scale (TPITOS)

Cohort members may attend two observation tool reliability workshops for an additional fee of \$300

Fee Information

The Pyramid Facilitator Certification fee is \$2,000 per participant and includes key resources, materials, and training:

- 1 Unpacking the Pyramid Model Book (valued at \$60)
- 1 TPOT or TPITOS Reliability Workshop, book, and score sheets (valued at \$375)
- 1 Prevent Teach Reinforce for Young Children (PTR-YC) Book (valued at \$60)
- 1 “*Culturally Responsive Practices to Reduce Implicit Bias, Disproportionality, Suspension, & Expulsion*” training from the Pyramid Model Consortium (valued at \$29)
- 1 Pyramid Teaching Materials Kit (valued at \$250)
- 24 hours of training at the Certification Institute
- 24+ hours of individual and group coaching with a Certification Support Advisor

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Eligibility Criteria Checklist

Applicants must meet the following criteria at the time of submission.

_____ Demonstrate successful completion of Pyramid Model training, including a total of 45 documented training hours, within the past five years:

- Pyramid Model Infant/Toddler Modules 1 – 3 and Preschool Modules 1 – 3b
- OR
- Pyramid Plus Approach 18 session training

_____ Submit proof of a Trainer Credential within the past five years:

- Current [Trainer Credential](#)

_____ Applicants must live and/or work in Colorado.

_____ Applicants must be available to attend Certification Key Dates (listed above).

_____ Applicants must agree to participate in all cohort trainings and activities. Additional consistent meeting times for September – June will be shared at Certification Orientation in the form of a syllabus and checklist. Applicants understand that certification occurs in a collaborative learning environment in which meeting time for communication and reflection is essential.

_____ Applicants must have access to the necessary equipment and technology skill sets needed to make, share, and view videos, as well as participate in virtual trainings and meetings.

_____ Applicants agree to become members of the [online Pyramid Network Hub](#) on the HCCC website and remain a member for as long as they are active Pyramid Facilitators.



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Application Submission Checklist

You must complete all fields in the online application. With your application submission, upload all required attachments to be considered for certification. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

_____ Letter of Interest (1 page limit)

_____ Resume (highlighting Pyramid experience)

_____ Letter of Support (from Supervisor, or if self-employed, from yourself acknowledging that Certification will be completed as part of ongoing professional development)

_____ Certificate of Completion with 45 + hours of training from Pyramid Infant/Toddler and Preschool Modules or the Pyramid Plus Approach training series

_____ Certificate of Trainer Credential or other professional and appropriate documentation of formal adult learning and facilitation training/coursework

_____ Application & Narrative Question responses

If you have questions, email us at info@healthychildcareco.org.

