## 4758-5-08 Requirements for certification of Ohio prevention specialists I (OCPS I).

- (A) To be certified as a prevention specialist I, an individual shall complete the following:
  - (1) Six thousand hours of documented work experience in alcohol and other drug prevention. A minimum of twenty percent of this time shall be devoted to planning and/or delivering alcohol and other drug prevention services. This work may include paid and volunteer hours.
    - (a) An associate's degree in a behavioral science from an accredited school or university may substitute for two thousand hours of work experience.
    - (b) A bachelor's/master's/doctorate degree in a behavioral science from an accredited school or university may substitute for four thousand hours of work experience.
  - (2) One hundred eighty hours of prevention related education of which fifty percent shall have been obtained within the last five years.
    - (a) The required content areas with the specific contact hours are as follows:
      - (i) Foundation in chemical dependency use/abuse/dependency (twenty hours)
      - (ii) Foundation in prevention of alcohol and other drug use/abuse/dependency (thirty-five hours)
      - (iii) Prevention-specific ethics education (six hours)
      - (iv) Domain I: Planning and evaluation (fifteen hours)
      - (v) Domain II: Education and skill development (twenty hours)
      - (vi) Domain III: Community organization (fifteen hours)
      - (vii) Domain IV: Public and organizational policy and environmental change (ten hours)
      - (viii) Domain V: Professional growth and responsibility (fifteen hours)

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(ix) The remaining hours may be distributed among these areas at the applicant's discretion.

- (3) One hundred and twenty practical experience hours. A minimum of ten hours shall be completed in each of the following performance domains:
  - (a) Planning and evaluation
  - (b) Education and skill development
  - (c) Community organization
  - (d) Public and organizational policy and environmental change
  - (e) Professional growth and responsibility
  - (f) The remaining seventy hours may be completed in any domain as deemed appropriate by the applicant.
- (4) Submission of formal application.
- (5) Successful completion of the ICRC/AODA prevention written examination.

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