LATEST NEWS

CERTIFICATION STANDARD UPDATES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2020

NCCAP is excited to announce enhancements that strengthen the quality of our Certification Standards!

**Continuing Education (CE) Clock Hours No Longer Required For Initial Certification**

Consistent with national Best Practices for credentialing standards, NCCAP no longer requires CE hours for initial certification.

*Importantly, CEs remain an essential requirement for all certification renewals.*

NCCAP’s independent *Clinical and Curriculum Advisory Board* of experts in long-term care validated that the knowledge and skills required to meet the Professional Standards of Practice established by our Professional Association NAAP are obtained by taking the required curriculum for certification.

For Activity Professional Apprentice, Activity Professional, Activity Director* and Activity Consultant Certifications, the *Modular Education Program for Activity Professionals* (MEPAP) is the required curriculum for NCCAP Certification. Further, only NCCAP Certification meets the NAAP Professional Standards of Practice to be an Activity Professional.

If you are applying for the first time, CEs are no longer required to apply for NCCAP Certification. If you completed the MEPAP, have a High School diploma or GED, and meet required hours of work experience, apply online today!

For more details and to apply, see our [NCCAP Certification Standards](#).

(*ADC Track 4 and 5 require CEs)*