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CAPT Approved Providers

Updates to the CAPT Approved Provider Requirements

Over the past 8 months, CAPT has undergone a complete review of the CAPT Approved Provider Requirements to stay in line with Canadian and International standards for play therapy training.

At a meeting of the CAPT Board of Directors on June 22, 2019, a motion was approved for changes to be made to the CAPT Approved Provider Guidelines and the CAPT Approved Provider Application Form process.

The following changes and additions were made:

1. When promoting the training as offering CAPT Approved Provider credits toward CAPT Certification as a Play Therapist, those students/participants in the Approved Provider program must become student members in the Canadian Association for Play Therapy.
2. **Approved Provider Application Fees:**

Previous fees have been waived. There are **no fees** to become an Approved Provider of Foundation Play Therapy Training or Continuing Education programs with CAPT effective September 2019.

All other application and renewal processes will be adhered to.

- a. Those who meet the new Approved Provider Guidelines and have paid their renewal fees for three years and have time left as an Approved Provider will have their fees pro-rated and will receive appropriate refunds.
- b. Those who were advised of the pending changes to the Approved Provider Guidelines and are no longer eligible to be able to instruct in CAPT's Foundation Play Therapy training or Continuing training will be able to complete their one year term and renew only when they are able to meet the new Approved Provider Guidelines.

3. **Program Presenter**

- a. must be a CAPT Certified Play Therapist Supervisor (CPT-S) to teach in **Foundation Play Therapy Training**
- b. must be a CPT-S or on Approval by the Education Committee to teach in **Continuing Education** trainings for CAPT.

Because of these changes and the requirement for instructors to be CPT-S, there is no longer a requirement to for a **CPT-S Advanced Program Reviewer**. Each training will be submitted to the Approved Provider Committee for approval as per the Approved Provider Guideline.

4. Not as a new requirement, but as a reminder, the following requirement will be enacted and you will receive the PowerPoint presentation for your use in the fall of 2019:

Increasing Play Therapy Awareness:

CAPT acknowledges that many mental health professionals may not be aware of two factors:

- a. The value of play, play therapy, and credentialed child and family/play therapists, and
- b. The existence of CAPT, a national professional organization in Canada that offers access to child and family play therapy training, credentialing, and peer networking opportunities.

Because they are attended by mental health professionals, the programs that CAPT Approved Providers offer represent important forums at which:

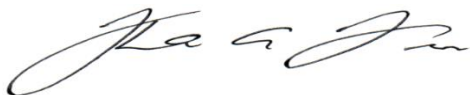
- c. Both factors might be briefly introduced
- d. CAPT membership promoted
- e. CAPT website and social media highlighted.

To assist with this, a short CAPT PowerPoint presentation has been prepared and will be made available to all CAPT Approved Providers.

Approved Providers will be asked to show this short presentation at their trainings in order to promote CAPT to a wider audience.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



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