Behavioral Specialist Training Verification Requests

If you are seeking verification of training to meet the Behavioral Specialist license requirements you must send the following documentation to the department. Please check that each item is checked and the necessary items are included. Remember to include this form as a cover sheet.

- **Official IUP transcripts.** You must request this from the registrar’s office and it must be submitted to us in a sealed envelope that was issued to you by the Registrar.

- **A Completed Form 5**
  
  Please provide the personal information requested on page 6 of the application and the course specific information taken directly from your transcripts on page 7 of the application. See the following chart for the equivalent IUP courses that meet training requirements.

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<th>Behavior Specialist Requirements</th>
<th>IUP Courses Equivalent</th>
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<td>Three hours of professional ethics approved by the BAS</td>
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<td>Eighteen hours of autism-specific coursework or training</td>
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<td>Sixteen hours of assessments coursework or training</td>
<td>COUN 624 or COUN 634 or COUN 633</td>
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<td>Sixteen hours of instructional strategies and best practices</td>
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<td>Eight hours of crisis intervention</td>
<td>COUN 677 or COUN 681* – Crisis Counseling</td>
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<td>Eight hours of comorbidity and medications</td>
<td>COUN 671 or COUN 681* – Diagnosis for Counselors</td>
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<td>Five hours of family collaboration</td>
<td>COUN 672 or COUN 681* – Family Counseling</td>
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<td>Sixteen hours of addressing specific skill deficits training</td>
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* These courses were offered as special topics courses (COUN 681) until the specific course number was officially approved.

- **A completed Form 2**

- **Sign and return this document to:**
  
  Department of Counseling
  
  1175 Maple Street
  
  Indiana, PA 15705-1048
  
  Attention: BSC License

I, __________________________ (print name), give the IUP Department of Counseling permission to audit my transcripts for my licensure application for Behavioral Specialist and to release the results of that audit to the State Board of Medicine.

Signature: __________________________ Date: __________________________

Email Address (Please print): __________________________
VERIFICATION OF EDUCATION – Form 2

SECTION 1 – TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

NAME: Last   First   Middle

NAME OF COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY:

ADDRESS: City   State   ZIP

Request that the college/university submit an official transcript and that the transcript be sent directly to the board in an official school envelope from the college/university or their authorized agent.

SECTION 2 – TO BE COMPLETED BY THE UNIVERSITY’S AUTHORIZED AGENT

NAME OF DEGREE PROGRAM:

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<th>MAJOR COURSE OF STUDY:</th>
<th>□ Behavioral Analysis</th>
<th>□ Special Education</th>
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<td>□ Psychology: (School; Clinical; Counseling or Developmental)</td>
<td>□ Professional Counseling</td>
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<td>□ Nursing Specialty</td>
<td>□ Another Related Field (List Specific Field):</td>
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If this box is checked, the university agent must sign below and complete and submit Form 6.

NAME OF STUDENT: Last   First   Middle

DATE STUDENT BEGAN TO ATTEND THIS PROGRAM: Month   Day   Year

DATE OF GRADUATION: Month   Day   Year

CHOOSE ONLY ONE OPTION BELOW

Option 1 □ I CERTIFY THAT THE APPLICANT COMPLETED A MASTER'S DEGREE OR POST MASTER'S CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN THE AREA INDICATED ABOVE WHICH INCLUDED ALL 90 HOURS OF EVIDENCE-BASED COURSEWORK LISTED BELOW:

- 3 HOURS OF PROFESSIONAL ETHICS
- 16 HOURS OF ASSESSMENT COURSEWORK OR TRAINING
- 8 HOURS OF CRISIS INTERVENTION
- 5 HOURS OF FAMILY COLLABORATION
- 16 HOURS OF AUTISM-SPECIFIC COURSEWORK/TRAINING
- 16 HOURS OF INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES & BEST PRACTICES
- 8 HOURS OF CO-MORBIDITY & MEDICATIONS
- 16 HOURS OF ADDRESSING SPECIFIC SKILL DEFICITS TRAINING

This coursework may be in-person instruction-led or online distance education and does not need to be autism-specific—unless noted.

Option 2 □ I CERTIFY THAT THE APPLICANT COMPLETED A MASTER'S DEGREE OR POST MASTER'S CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN THE AREA INDICATED ABOVE. The program included some, but not all, of the 90 hours of evidence-based coursework in the content areas listed above.

IF THIS BOX IS CHECKED, A UNIVERSITY AGENT SHOULD ALSO COMPLETE AND SUBMIT FORM 5 (VERIFICATION OF EVIDENCE-BASED COURSEWORK) TO DOCUMENT THOSE COURSES/HOURS THAT WERE FULFILLED THROUGH THE GRADUATE PROGRAM.

Option 3 □ I CERTIFY THAT THE APPLICANT COMPLETED A MASTER'S DEGREE OR POST MASTER'S DEGREE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN THE AREA INDICATED ABOVE. However, the program did not include any of the 90 hours of evidence-based coursework in the content areas listed above.

SIGNATURE OF UNIVERSITY AGENT:

DATE: Month   Day   Year

Seal of college/university)

(If the college/university does not have a seal, please submit a letter signed by the university agent attesting to that.)

DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM TO THE APPLICANT

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Courier Delivery Address
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2601 NORTH THIRD STREET
HARRISBURG, PA 17110
VERIFICATION OF 90 HOURS OF EVIDENCE-BASED COURSEWORK
Form 5

USE THIS FORM ONLY IF YOUR UNIVERSITY CANNOT VERIFY THAT YOUR DEGREE PROGRAM INCLUDED ALL 90 HOURS OF THE COURSEWORK LISTED IN SECTION 2 OF FORM 2.

SECTION 1 – TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

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<td>NAME OF COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY or TRAINING PROGRAM: (check all that apply)</td>
<td>☐ College/University:</td>
<td>☐ BACB Continuing Education</td>
<td>☐ BAS-Approved Training</td>
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<td>ADDRESS OF COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY: (if applicable)</td>
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Every application must include verification that ALL 90 hours of evidence-based coursework have been completed. These hours can be completed through an accredited college or university; training approved by the BACB or the Bureau of Autism Services; or a combination of these options. The 90 hours must be fulfilled in the following areas:

- 3 hours of professional ethics
- 18 hours of autism-specific coursework or training
- 16 hours of assessments coursework or training
- 16 hours of instructional strategies and best practices
- 8 hours of crisis intervention
- 8 hours of co-morbidity and medications
- 5 hours of family collaboration
- 16 hours of addressing specific skill deficits training

You must submit verifications to comply with all of coursework required. The verification of evidence-based coursework requirement for licensure will NOT be considered complete until all 90 hours of the required coursework have been verified. If you completed one or more of these requirements through different schools/continuing education programs, you will need to make a copy of Form 5 for each program and submit the forms following the instructions provided below.

PLEASE NOTE: THE BOARD OF MEDICINE DOES NOT EVALUATE COURSEWORK OR TRAININGS. ONLY SUBMIT SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION THAT COMPLIES WITH THE PROCEDURES BELOW.

SECTION 2A: PROCEDURES FOR DOCUMENTING UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE COURSEWORK (if applicable)

Applicants should submit this form to the college/university where the coursework was completed. The education provider should return this completed form, along with the completed Form 2 and an official transcript, directly to the Board of Medicine in an official school/program envelope.

This coursework may be in-person instruction-led or online distance education. The university/college should verify ONLY the specific hours/coursework completed through their program.

SECTION 2B: PROCEDURES FOR DOCUMENTING BACB CONTINUING EDUCATION OR BAS-APPROVED TRAININGS (if applicable)

If submitting proof of coursework completed through BACB continuing education or BAS approved trainings, the applicant should complete and sign this form and return it directly to the Board of Medicine with all supporting documentation. The documentation of attendance/training completion MUST list the content area(s) and hours completed and include a trainer's signature. For BAS-approved trainings, submitted documentation should also include the BAS approval statement and course number.
**SECTION 2A – TO BE COMPLETED BY A UNIVERSITY AGENT TO DOCUMENT THAT THE DEGREE OR CERTIFICATE PROGRAM INCLUIDED AT LEAST THE NUMBER OF HOURS LISTED IN EACH CONTENT AREA**

Indicate the number of hours for each content area that were completed through the college/university coursework.

- Professional Ethics (3 hours required)
- Autism-Specific (18 hours required)
- Assessments (16 hours required)
- Crisis Intervention (8 hours required)
- Family Collaboration (8 hours required)
- Instructional Strategies & Best Practices (16 hours required)
- Co-Morbidity & Medications (8 hours required)
- Addressing Specific Skill Deficits (16 hours required)

**I CERTIFY THAT THE INDIVIDUAL LISTED ABOVE AND IN SECTION 1 OF THIS VERIFICATION OF EVIDENCE-BASED COURSEWORK FORM HAS COMPLETED THE REQUIRED HOURS IN THE CATEGORIES CHECKED ABOVE.**

**NAME OF UNIVERSITY AGENT**

(Print)

**SIGNATURE OF UNIVERSITY AGENT**

**DATE:**

Month  Day  Year

Seal of college or university

(If the college/university does not have a seal, please submit a letter signed by the university agent attesting to that.)

Upon completion, the school must return the form(s) and transcripts directly to the Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine in an official school envelope.

**DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM TO THE APPLICANT**

**SECTION 2B – TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT TO DOCUMENT SUPPLEMENTAL TRAININGS**

Indicate the number of hours in each content area for which supplemental documentation is attached.

If you are not submitting any hours toward a content area, leave that box blank.

**APPLICANT TIP:** Staple all documentation for a single content area together. You can also submit a summary cover sheet if you are submitting multiple trainings within multiple content areas for BACB or BAS coursework.

- Professional Ethics (3 hours required)
  Total # of hours: __________
- Autism-Specific (18 hours required)
  Total # of hours: __________
- Assessments (16 hours required)
  Total # of hours: __________
- Crisis Intervention (8 hours required)
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- Family Collaboration (8 hours required)
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- Instructional Strategies & Best Practices (16 hours required)
  Total # of hours: __________
- Co-Morbidity & Medications (8 hours required)
  Total # of hours: __________
- Addressing Specific Skill Deficits (16 hours required)
  Total # of hours: __________

**I VERIFY THAT I HAVE COMPLETED IN FULL THE SUPPLEMENTAL TRAININGS INDICATED ABOVE, AND THAT THE COURSEWORK HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE BACB OR BAS.**

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT**

(Print)

**DATE:**

Month  Day  Year

☐ Additional information will be submitted by a college/university

Return this form to the Board of Medicine with any required documentation.

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