ZERO TO THREE Certified Trainer: *DC:0-5™*
Certification Criteria and Application Overview

There are two stages of ZERO TO THREE Trainer Certifications: Stage 1. Provisional Trainer; and Stage 2. Certified Trainer. ZERO TO THREE digital Membership is included in both stages of certification. This overview summarizes the ZERO TO THREE Certified Trainer: *DC:0-5™* timeframe, criteria, and evidence options by certification stage. This page outlines the first steps of Provisional Trainer application; page 2 outlines the final part of Provisional Trainer Certification followed by Certified Trainer information. Please contact trainercertification@zerotothree.org for additional information.

Stage 1. PROVISIONAL TRAINER	Timeframe: valid for 1 year; candidates document meeting full Certification criteria within this provisional year
Step 1: You must have an active ZERO TO THREE profile. Create or confirm your learner profile on ZERO TO THREE│Learn.	
Step 2: Complete the 2-part (Parts A and B) Provisional Trainer certification application for *DC:0-5™*. Submit both parts of the application on ZERO TO THREE│Learn.	

Step 2, Part A: You must demonstrate you meet the following prequalifications and be approved by ZERO TO THREE to attend a DC:0-5™ Training-of-Trainers (ToT)	
DC:0-5™ ToT Prequalifications *(What are the requirements to attend the ToT?)*	**DC:0-5™ ToT Prequalifications Evidence Options** *(How can I demonstrate I'm prequalified for the ToT?)*
✓ Have a minimum of a master's degree in mental health, health, or related field; **AND** ✓ Hold a current board certification or clinical license in state/country of employment; **AND** ✓ Have a minimum of three years' IECMH clinical experience with children ages 0-5; **AND** ✓ Have a minimum of three years' experience as an adult educator training professionals responsible for diagnoses	*Applicants provide a cover letter with their current resume. The cover letter should CLEARLY note evidence of the following, as part of the trainer certification application process:* • A minimum of a master's degree in mental health, health, or related field; **AND** • Current board certification or clinical license in state/country of employment; **AND** • A minimum of three years' IECMH clinical experience working with children ages 0-5; **AND** • A minimum of three years' experience as an adult educator training professionals responsible for diagnoses
✓ Articulated: • Interest/motivation for pursuing certification • Beliefs about DC:0-5™ contributions to IECMH field • Training abilities/assets	*Applicants provide 3 brief essays as part of the trainer certification application process:* • Brief essay on interest/motivation to be certified; • Brief essay on beliefs about DC:0-5™ contributions to IECMH field; **AND** • Brief essay on training abilities/assets
✓ IECMH Clinical recommendation ✓ Training recommendation	*Applicants provide 2 letters of recommendation as part of the trainer certification application process:* • Letter of recommendation focused on IECMH Clinical expertise; **AND** • Letter of recommendation focused on training expertise
✓ Successfully complete the official DC:0-5™ Clinical Training delivered by ZERO TO THREE Faculty or ZERO TO THREE Certified Trainer: *DC:0-5™*	*Applicants upload the following documentation as part of the trainer certification application process:* • *DC:0-5™ Clinical Training* certificate of attendance

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Step 2: Complete the 2-part (Parts A and B) Provisional Trainer certification application for *DC:0-5™*. Submit both parts of the application on ZERO TO THREE|Learn.	
Step 2, Part B: You must demonstrate you meet the following Provisional Certification criteria	
Applicant Criteria *(What are the requirements to become certified?)*	**Application Evidence Options** *(How can I demonstrate I meet the certification requirements?)*
✓ Successfully complete the DC:0-5™ ToT: - Attend all sessions - Complete the online Reflection Tool prior to the first session - Pass the knowledge assessment with at least an 80% score within 14 calendar days of completing the training	*Applicants upload the following documentation as part of the trainer certification application process:* • DC:0-5™ ToT certificate of attendance *ZERO TO THREE will verify the following evidence for applicants; DO NOT submit documentation for this criterion:* • Verified passing score on knowledge assessment within specified timeframe
✓ Successfully create a DC:0-5™ Annual Training Plan - Attend a DC:0-5™ Provisional Trainer Annual Training Plan session - Draft and submit a Provisional Trainer Annual Training Plan	*Applicants upload the following documentation as part of the trainer certification application process:* • DC:0-5™ Provisional Trainer Annual Training Plan session certificate of attendance • Provisional Trainer Annual Training Plan
✓ Review and agree to uphold the ZERO TO THREE Code of Practice, Values and Ethics Statement, and Trainer Agreement	*Applicants must click the "Agree" button as part of the trainer certification application process:* • Sign the ZERO TO THREE Code of Practice, Values and Ethics Statement, and Trainer Agreement by clicking the "Agree" button in the application

Stage 2. CERTIFIED TRAINER	Timeframe: valid for 1 year; candidates document and maintain certification annually
Step 1: Confirm you are a current Provisional or Certified Trainer: *DC:0-5™* on ZERO TO THREE|Learn.	
Step 2: Complete the ZERO TO THREE Trainer Certification renewal process. Submit the renewal application and pay $99.00 USD application and processing fee on ZERO TO THREE|Learn. *Annual fee includes ZERO TO THREE digital Membership for 1 year.*	
Applicant Criteria *(What are the requirements to become certified/renew certification?)*	**Application Evidence Options** *(How can I demonstrate I meet the certification requirements?)*
✓ Successfully deliver a DC:0-5™ Clinical Training since last certification award date	*Please Note:* **All evidence** for meeting this criterion **must** contain the name of training, date(s) of delivery, location, and trainer name. *Applicants upload the following evidence as part of the trainer certification application process:* • Approved training event record(s) **OR** training agenda(s); **AND** • A participant roster including email contact information; **AND** • A summary of training participants' evaluations.
✓ Participate in at least 4 ZERO TO THREE *DC:0-5™* trainer support Office Hour sessions since last certification award date	*ZERO TO THREE will verify this evidence for applicants; DO NOT submit documentation for this criterion* • Verified attendance in at least 4 ZERO TO THREE trainer support Office Hour sessions since the last certification award date
✓ Participate in at least 5 clock hours of professional development focused on/related to infant and early childhood mental health since last certification award date	*Applicants upload training certificates or transcripts as part of the trainer certification application process:* • At least 5 clock hours of professional development focused on/related to infant and early childhood mental health since last certification date ○ Total clock hours may include ZERO TO THREE trainer support offerings or membership events
✓ Review and agree to continue upholding the ZERO TO THREE Code of Practice, Values and Ethics Statement, and Trainer Agreement	*Applicants must click the "Agree" button as part of the trainer certification application process:* • Sign the ZERO TO THREE Code of Practice, Values and Ethics Statement, and Trainer Agreement by clicking the "Agree" button in the application