



Professional Early Childhood Inclusion Credential (PECIC) User Guide

With Ohio PROMISE, Ohio is on its way to ensuring that every Ohio family is healthy and supported when needed. Children with disabilities must be included with their friends, neighbors, and peers from birth so they can thrive wherever they live, play, and learn. The Professional Early Childhood Inclusion Credential (PECIC) was created to raise the level of awareness, knowledge, competency, and confidence of professionals attending to the needs of children with disabilities, their families, and creating an inclusive environment for all children.

This credential was created by the Ohio State Leadership Team on Early Childhood Inclusion, a dedicated group of state agency and organization professionals working with teachers and parents, to identify where Ohio is in its implementation of high-quality indicators of inclusion.

Accessing the Inclusion Credential Application

Sign in to your Ohio Professional Registry (OPR) profile. If you do not already have an OPR profile, and need assistance with creating one, view our Create OPR Profile Resources webpage for additional details. Do not create duplicate profiles.

Navigate to the Applications section of your OPR profile and click the carrot to expand. Click on the + sign next to the Ohio PROMISE Professional Early Childhood Inclusion Credential section to expand the application choices.

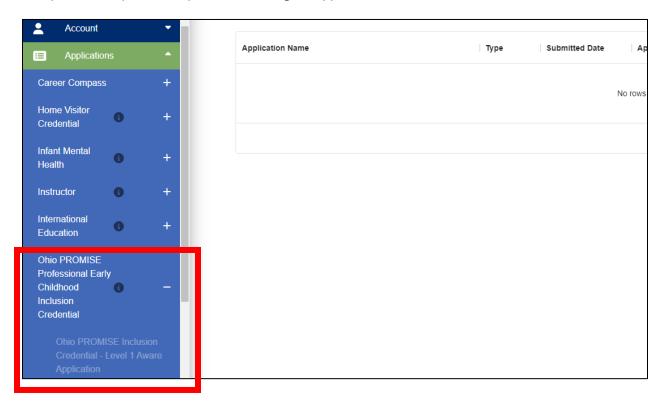




To access the Inclusion Credential application, you must meet one of the following requirements:

- 1. Have a minimum of a verified High School diploma in the Education tab of your OPR profile.
- 2. Have an employment role of High School Junior or HS Senior or Graduate <18 in the employment tab of your OPR profile.

If you have not met one of the requirements above, the link will not be clickable, and you will need to complete the requirements prior to accessing the application.



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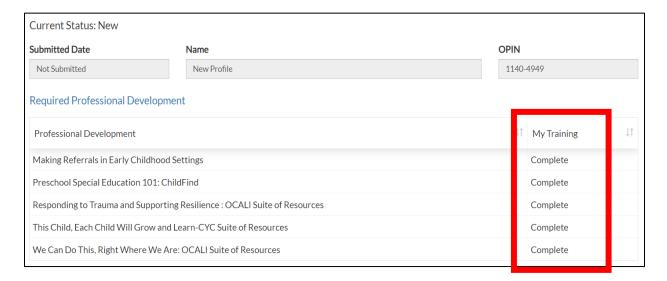


Completing the Inclusion Credential Application

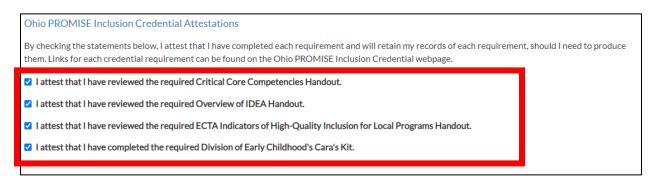
Click on the title of the application titled 'Ohio Promise Inclusion Credential - Level 1 Aware'.

There are 5 required PD Events to be completed via your OPR profile. These completions will display automatically from the Professional Development tab of your profile. If one or more of these required PD Events have not been verified in your profile, you will not be able to submit the application. You must return to your OPR profile and complete the requirements prior to moving forward with submission.

If all 5 events show 'Complete', you can proceed in the application.



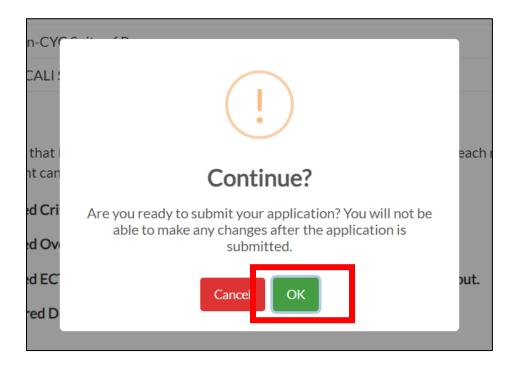
Complete the attestations and when ready, select 'Submit Application'.



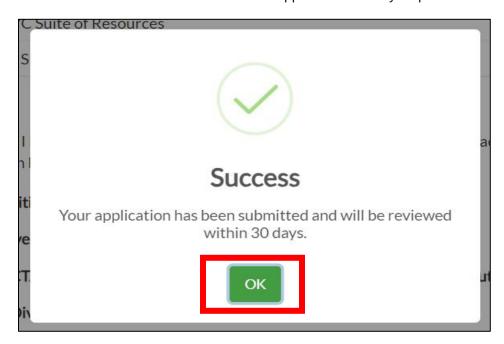
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Confirm you would like to continue with your submission. Hit 'Cancel' to return to the application.



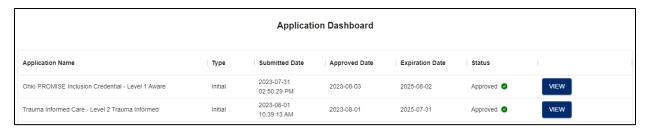
Your submission was successful. Click OK to return to the Applications tab of your profile.



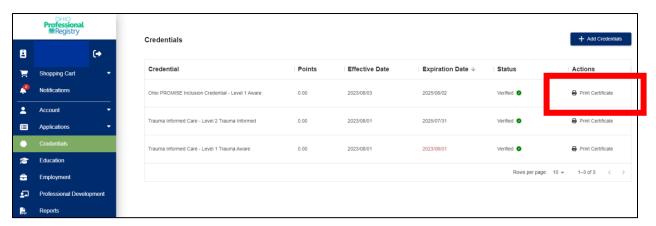


Checking the status of your Inclusion Credential Application

You can view the status of your application via the Application Dashboard displayed in your OPR profile.



Once your application has been reviewed and the credential has been issued, you can access your printable certificate anytime via the Credentials tab of your OPR profile.



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