

## **National Autism Certificate Credentialing Board Increases Job Placement Opportunities for Those Dedicated to Working within Autism Spectrum**

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**August 18, 2014** – The *International Board of Credentialing and Continuing Education Standards (IBCCES)*, an organization recognizing professionals dedicated to promoting quality care in the area of autism, has announced that with a certificate in autism, those individuals interested in working with people on the Autism Spectrum have a way to show future employers their commitment to providing quality care. This, in turn, say *IBCCES* representatives, increases the likelihood of the individual being hired. Additionally, specialist certification such as the *Certified Autism Specialist (certifiedautismspecialist.com)* demonstrates the individuals' commitment to on-going professional development and staying current in the field.

*IBCCES* provides an electronic tracking system for professional development hours in the field of autism, documenting and monitoring predetermined standards in education, experience and performance. According to *IBCCES* representatives, this eliminates paperwork for organizations and schools which are then provided an official tracking system for the fastest-growing designations in autism.

*“We are a business league and registry for professionals that specialize in professional development and/or continuing education -- mainly in the area of autism certification programs,”* says Michelle Killian, M.S./CAS, director of *IBCCES*. *“As such, we verify applicants’ information and specific professional development earned while assisting state licensing boards with auditing. IBCCES also assists associations and university programs seeking continuing education services. In promoting quality care through continuing education – and that focuses on the most current research – our organization recognizes professionals who have proven continuing education in a specific area. Without doubt or question, this in turn encourages career growth opportunities for such professionals. Suddenly, seeking a certificate in autism has become incredibly intuitive.”*

According to Killian and other *IBCCES Advisory Board* members, *IBCCES* uses the same high industry standards utilized by state licensing boards, which includes, upon successfully meeting program qualifications, *IBCCES* being responsible for issuing a registry number, renewal process, disciplinary complaints, audits and other public registry duties.

Further, the *IBCCES* operates under a stringent code of ethics that promise its credentialed professionals shall use reliable research and self-disclosure when presenting (i.e. personal experiences); not let their private conduct interfere with their ability to fulfill their professional responsibilities; not participate in, be associated with or condone others regarding dishonesty, fraud or deception; not allow personal problems, substance abuse or mental health difficulties to interfere with their professional judgment; make clear distinctions between statements made as a representative of personal and of *IBCCES* credential and work to maintain high standards of practice.

*"We are a formidable presence in the areas of autism certificate programs, obtaining a certificate in autism, CAS certification and autism certification programs as a whole,"* concludes Killian.

The *International Board of Credentialing and Continuing Education Standards* and *Certified Autism Specialist* organizations can be reached by calling (877) 717-6543. For more information about autism certificate programs, getting a certificate in autism, CAS certification or autism certification programs, visit [www.ibcces.org](http://www.ibcces.org) or [www.certifiedautismspecialist.com](http://www.certifiedautismspecialist.com).