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## First Autism Certification Received in Malaysia

December 9, 2015, MALAYSIA - Aliaa Azura Binti Anwar Batcha, a special education teacher at Chyrnalis Special Needs Centre in Seremban, Negeri Sembilan, recently completed the eligibility requirements to receive her Autism Certificate in Malaysia by the International Board of Credentialing and Continuing Education Standards (IBCCES). With the rate of autism diagnosis rapidly increasing worldwide, the need for credentialed and licensed autism-related service providers continues to grow every year. According to the World Health Organization there is an estimated global prevalence of autism at 2 to 6 in 1000.

Achieving the Autism Certificate title establishes Bte. Anwar Batcha as a top-level treatment provider for individuals with autism. Completing the program requires extensive, ongoing training, successful completion of an autism competency examination and approval by an international panel comprised of researchers, speakers and advocates in the field representing universities and organizations around the globe.

"I am honored to be one of the first professionals to be certified in autism in Malaysia, and I look forward to using the knowledge and experience I acquired through the certification process to help my fellow citizens function in our local community," Bte. Anwar Batcha said.

Bte. Anwar Batcha has been working with children with Autism Spectrum Disorder since 2008 as an applied behavior analysis (ABA) therapist. Before joining Chyrnalis Special Needs Centre, she was a teacher with InsightKIDs.

"We are very excited to appoint Bte. Anwar Batcha with her Autism Certificate in Malaysia," said Myron Pincomb, Board Chairman of IBCCES, "Families and those with the diagnosis can now rest assured that they are receiving a pinnacle-level of services from specialists with knowledge and understanding of best practices and up-to-date treatment options. A third-party verification and internationally-recognized program of standards for autism professionals makes a huge impact on the quality of care."

### **About IBCCES**

The International Board of Credentialing and Continuing Education Standards ([IBCCES](http://www.ibcces.org)) was established in 2001 to meet the training and credentialing needs of professionals who work with individuals with special needs. IBCCES has since expanded into over 40 different countries with training centers and members across the globe.

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Our Certified Autism Specialist, Board Certified Cognitive Specialist, and Certified Autism Center credentials were established with the highest standards in the industry. As a result, our programs have become the benchmark for those who work with cognitive disorders around the globe.

IBCCES created and hosts the annual International Symposium on Cognitive Research & Disorders. This global event brings together top neurologists, education leaders, and healthcare experts with a focus on research, innovation and collaboration.

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