WHY SPECIALIZE IN ADDICTION PSYCHOLOGY?

The specialty of Addiction Psychology certifies knowledge and skills in evidence-based assessments and interventions for addictive disorders.

Addiction Psychologists who are board certified are well positioned to serve as:

- Clinical leaders
- Program administrators
- Training directors
- Researchers
- Content experts

BE A LEADER IN ADDICTION SCIENCE AND PRACTICE ADVANCE YOUR CAREER

We encourage diversity of all types and we recognize diversity has breadth.

For more information and how to apply go to www.abpp.org

ABPP in Addiction Psychology

Board Certification in Addiction Psychology

Doctoral-Level Addiction Specialization

A "Widely Respected" Certification
(Rosen et al., 2020)
BENEFITS OF BOARD CERTIFICATION

- The "gold standard" of professional practice across disciplines
- Potential for increased financial compensation
- Reflects a higher standard of expertise over a generalist license
- Addresses increased demand for specialty credentials
- Provides 40 CE credits after passing the exam
- Facilitates license mobility between states
- ABPP certification recognized in the APA membership directory and the National Register

BECOMING BOARD CERTIFIED

Initial Application
- Brief online application at www.abpp.com
- Student and Early Career discounts available

Written Materials
- Professional statement
- Case conceptualization

Practice Sample
Submit a recording of your clinical work

Oral Examination
Demonstrate your knowledge and skills in a 3 1/2 hour exam

Senior Option
15 years after becoming licensed

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do I know if I'm qualified?
You are likely qualified for board certification if you
- Have been licensed for 2 years
- Work primarily in an addiction-related field
- Received addiction specialty training

Is it worth the time and effort?
Absolutely! Beyond the benefits listed in this brochure:
- Your credentials will stand out
- The process of becoming board certification is stimulating and professionally rewarding
- Networking with psychologists who are board certified
- Participate in ABPP member trainings and events