



QMHA-R	QMHA-I	QMHA-II
Registered Mental Health Associate working towards certification	Basic Mental Health Associate Certification	Advanced Mental Health Associate Certification
<p>Registration Personal information & demographics</p> <p>Supervisory Competency Assessment <i>Easy to use online OAR-compliant assessment form completed by a qualified supervisor:</i> Oregon Administrative Rule requires a qualified supervisor (not necessarily a direct supervisor) to document that the QMHA candidate demonstrates the ability to communicate effectively; understands mental health assessment, treatment, and service terminology; application of these concepts; ability to implement skills development strategies, and able to identify, and coordinate the services and supports identified in a service plan, functioning within their scope of practice defined in OAR [309-019-0125(9)]. This assessment is typically made through information gathered and inferred from the employment interview, prior occupational experience, and education.</p> <p>Primary Source Education & Experience Primary source verification of a bachelor's degree in behavioral health; or an equivalent degree with applicable coursework meeting the required competencies. Applicants who do not possess a bachelor's degree must present a combination of at least three years of relevant education and experience [309-019-0125(9)(a)(b)].</p> <p>Code of Conduct Signed commitment to Oregon's Behavioral Health Code of Conduct.</p> <p>Registration valid for two years QMHA Registrants will have up to two years to complete full certification.</p>	<p>Updated Registration Personal information & demographics</p> <p>Advanced Competency Assessment 1,000 supervised hours in the QMHA Competencies (CES® Role Delineation, SAMHSA-HRSA Core Competencies, Centers for Medicaid & Medicare DSW Core Competencies):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☑ Communication skills ☑ Engagement skills ☑ Data gathering ☑ Practicing consumer inclusion ☑ Monitoring, observing, & reporting ☑ Teaching basic/community living skills ☑ Resource referral ☑ Implementing interventions ☑ Enhancing consumer participation ☑ Assisting with activities of daily living ☑ Facilitating family involvement ☑ Professional & ethical conduct ☑ Regulatory compliance ☑ Safety monitoring and assessments ☑ Documentation ☑ Cultural/equity practices <p>QMHA Level I Professional Psychometric Competency Exam, CES® Professional psychometric exam covering the QMHA competencies. 100 multiple choice questions.</p>	<p>Optional Advanced Certification for individuals who wish to pursue it.</p> <p>Pre-requisite QMHA-I Certification Individuals must be certified as QMHA-I in order to apply for QMHA II certification.</p> <p>Advanced Supervised Experience Minimum of 4,000 supervised experience hours in the QMHA Competencies.</p> <p>QMHA Level II Professional Psychometric Competency Exam, CES® Advanced examination which includes advanced practice, case management, care coordination, and jurisprudence regulatory compliance and ethics.</p> <p>Comprehensive Examination Services, ©CES <i>National exams are produced by Comprehensive Examination Services, contracted with the SAMHSA GAINS Center, Mental Health America, Oregon, Florida, Illinois, New York, Canada and California.</i></p>
Recertification every two years		
<p>Updated Registration Personal information & demographics</p> <p>Continuing Education 40 Hours of accredited/approved behavioral health continuing education or education provided within Oregon state approved mental health agencies</p>		

QMHA Accepted Degrees

Examples of accepted degrees

Addiction Counseling/Services
Applied Behavioral Science
Pre-Art Therapy, Art Therapy
Behavioral Analysis
Behavioral Biology
Behavioral Psychology
Behavioral Sciences
Child Development
Child and Family Studies/Services
Cognitive Sciences
Community Behavioral Health
Community Mental Health
Counseling (MH, Vocational, Pastoral, etc.)
Counselor Education
Early Childhood Development
Education (with a focus in psychology, school counseling, and/or special education)
Educational Psychology
Exercise Science
Family Development/Relations
Forensic Psychology

Gerontology
Health and Human Services
Health Psychology
Human Development
Human Services
Mental Health
Neuroscience (Cognitive/Behavioral)
Nursing
Occupational Therapy
Organizational Psychology
Play Therapy
Psychiatric Rehabilitation
Psychology
Public Health/Community Health
Rehabilitation
Social Psychology
Social Work-BSW
Sociology
Speech Therapy
Therapeutic Recreation
Vocational Rehabilitation

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**QMHA with no
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Bachelor's Degree**

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