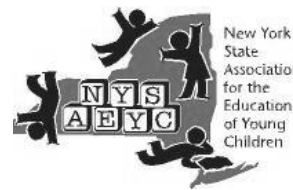


# Comparison between CDA's and Credentials

	Infant Toddler CDA	NYS Infant Toddler Care and Education Credential	Family Child Care CDA	NYS Family Child Care Credential	National Administrator Credential	NYS Children's Program Administrator Credential
<b>Administered Through</b>	Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition	NYSAEYC	Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition	NYSAEYC	Aim4Excellance	NYSAEYC
<b>Minimum Requirements to begin process</b>	High school diploma, or equivalent, or you are a junior or senior in a high school vocational program in early education.	<p><b>College coursework</b> Coursework in infant toddler development and professional practice: Twelve (12) credits from a nationally accredited college in early childhood coursework that covers the standards of the New York State Infant Toddler Care &amp; Education Competencies. Three of these 12 credits must have been completed within the last five years.</p> <p><b>Experience</b> One year caring for infants and/or toddlers in NYS licensed center, family child care home or formal program serving infants and/or toddlers</p> <p><b>OR</b> Two semesters of supervised field work course with infants and toddlers and six months work experience in the above</p> <p><b>OR</b> Floater or substitute with 480 hours of documented experience</p>	High school diploma, or equivalent, or you are a junior or senior in a high school vocational program in early education.	<p><b>College Coursework</b> Coursework in child development and professional practice: Twelve (12) credits from a nationally accredited college in early childhood coursework that meet the standards of the New York State Family Child Care Competencies; three (3) of the 12 credits must have been completed within the last 5 years. Or nine (9) credits from a nationally accredited college in early childhood coursework and 45 hours of documented community based training completed within the last 5 years that meets the standards of the New York State Family Child Care Competencies.</p> <p><b>Experience</b> Two years of experience as a NYS regulated Family or Group Family Child Care provider</p> <p><b>OR</b> Two years of experience as an employee in a NYS regulated Family or Group Family Child Care program</p>	Complete online registration process  High School Diploma or GED  (If using for NAEYC Accreditation A minimum of an Associate's Degree in ECE or a Bachelor's Degree or high in an unrelated field, with 3 years of experience as a program administrator in a non accredited program along)	<p>*Prerequisites for the Administrator Credential coursework are set by the individual institutions of higher education offering the courses. In addition to the Administrator Credential 18-credit hour program, candidates applying for this credential must also possess: A minimum of an associate degree, preferably in Early Childhood Education, or a related degree,</p> <p><b>OR</b> 60 credit hours of college coursework with a minimum of 18-credit hours in early childhood education or related coursework.</p> <p><b>Experience</b> 1 year administrative experience</p> <p><i>* Applicant is eligible for candidacy with the minimum of 60 college credits or Associates degree, but must complete the required course work within the 3 year candidacy period.*</i></p>

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<b>Additional Requirements to complete the process</b>	<p><b>Within last five years</b> <i>Formal training</i> You must complete 120 hours of formal early childhood education training, covering the growth and development of children aged birth to 3 years, with no fewer than 10 training hours in each of the subject areas. <i>480 hours of professional experience</i></p> <p><b>Within last six months</b> <i>Formal Observation</i> <i>The Professional Resource File</i> <i>Parent Opinion Questionnaires</i></p>	Portfolio Process - Addressing each of the competencies	<p><b>Within last five years</b> <i>Formal training</i> You must complete 120 hours of formal early childhood education training, covering the growth and development of children aged birth to 5 years, with no fewer than 10 training hours in each of the subject areas. <i>480 hours of professional experience</i></p> <p><b>Within last six months</b> <i>Formal Observation</i> <i>The Professional Resource File</i> <i>Parent Opinion Questionnaires</i></p>	Portfolio Process – Addressing each of the competencies	Complete 9 online modules	18 Credits in Program Administration meeting the all of the competencies Portfolio Process – Addressing each of the competencies
<b>Credit or Non Credit Bearing</b>	May or may not be credit bearing	Credit Bearing	May or may not be credit bearing	Credit bearing	May or may not be credit bearing	Credit bearing
<b>Recognition</b>	National	New York State	National	New York State	State Dependant	New York State and NAEYC for Accreditation Educational Qualifications
<b>Renewal Criteria</b>	Every 5 Years	No Renewal	Every 5 Years	No Renewal	No Renewal	No Renewal
<b>Cost</b>	Preparatory Course: Agency Dependant Assessment Fee: \$325	\$350	Preparatory Course: Agency Dependant Assessment Fee: \$325	\$350	Approximately \$94	\$300



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