



Alliance for the Advancement of Infant Mental Health

Dear Infant, Early Child-Family Professional,

For the first time in 20+ years, we are revising the competencies that make up the Competency Guidelines -- AND we need your help!

In partnership with the Michigan Association for Infant Mental Health, the Alliance for the Advancement of Infant Mental Health, is proposing **an equity-focused revision of the Competency Guidelines for Endorsement for Culturally Sensitive, Relationship-Focused Practice Promoting Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health (CG)**.

The CG are complex and define the knowledge and skills for those who work with/on behalf of pregnant people, infants, young children, caregivers, and families. **To better understand those knowledge/skill areas, we are launching a survey.**

Survey

Below you will find everything you need to know about the survey.

Who is eligible to participate?

- Anyone 18 years or older who is currently working in these scopes of practice:
 - Promotion
 - Prevention/Early Intervention
 - Treatment/Intervention
 - Provision of Reflective Supervision/Consultation
 - Policy/Program
 - Research/Teaching
- Lives in the United States or Australia
- Comfortable reading and responding to questions in English

Survey participants do not need to be currently endorsed to participate. We WANT to hear from non-endorsed professionals!

What will I be asked to do?

If you are interested in participating in this voluntary survey, we will ask you to:

- Participate in a survey (15-20 minutes). The questions will be about the skills and knowledge around working with/on behalf of infants, young children, their families, and their social emotional wellbeing. The survey will give us a better understanding of the unique expertise that is needed to effectively specialize in their scope of practice with this specific population.

What do I get out of this?

- We hope you will benefit from reflecting on the knowledge/skill areas you utilize in your daily work and that this survey offers a platform for you to share about your work anonymously.
- Your participation will help the broader infant-early childhood mental health workforce and future endorsees.
- Through your participation, we hope to gain a better understanding of the knowledge/skill areas that are being used widely, across scopes of practice, in the field today.

What are the risks if I participate?

- Participating in this survey is completely voluntary. Even if you decide to participate now, you may change your mind and stop at any time. You may choose not to participate in the survey or future focus groups for any reason.
- We will protect the confidentiality of your responses by only collecting demographics and your name will not be used in any publication.

What is the Compensation?

- For completing the survey, you can choose to opt into a raffle for a chance to win a \$50 gift card.

How do I participate?

- If interested, please click here to access the [survey](#).
- The survey will close August 4, 2023.

THANK-YOU!

We appreciate your time and support of this process and to the IECMH field at large!

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