



APT Approved Providers of CE

COVID-19 & The Attainment of Play Therapy Instruction

Extended through **June 30th 2021**, APT Approved Providers may temporarily offer "contact" hours for online continuing education if the training meets all of the following conditions:

1. is offered via a synchronous telehealth format that has interactive capabilities to ensure full attendee presence and engagement throughout the duration of the training,
2. is limited to 40 participants or less,
3. length of play therapy training is a minimum of two hours,
4. includes the following statement on promotional materials and on the certificate of attendance:

Due to COVID-19 health concerns, this one-time online event has been approved by APT for (# hrs) CONTACT CE Hours

5. includes a posttest appropriate for assessing post graduate level learning. APT's standard guidelines for creating posttests are:
 - a. 6 questions per CE credit hour,
 - b. majority of questions written in multiple choice format,
 - c. 1-2 true or false questions, and
 - d. Providers are encouraged to contact APT to determine the appropriate number of questions for extensive programs that offer more than two days of CE training.

It is the responsibility of the Approved Provider to abide by [APT Criteria & Standards](#). Failure to meet any of the outlined conditions above may result in APT credit not being awarded and will put the Approved Provider status in jeopardy.

Notes:

1. Trainings must be advertised either as non-contact or contact, not depending on the number of registrants.
2. The training must be held in a live (real-time) webinar format. Recorded videos do not qualify for contact CE.
3. Use technology that allows interactive audio and video between learner(s) and instructor(s). For example: ZOOM, WebinarNinja, GoToWebinar, WebEx, among others.
4. Credit is awarded when achievement of stated learning objectives has been met.
5. Approved Providers are welcome to continue offering non-contact training to groups larger than 40 and awarding non-contact play therapy hours in accordance with the Approved Provider Standards.

Additionally, graduate play therapy courses fall under the "contact" hour format whether offered in-person or online. This is a longstanding policy held by APT that affords the student 22.5 hours of play therapy instruction for every semester credit. Play therapy instruction hours may be obtained via graduate play therapy courses when:

- a. the course is visible on a graduate transcript with a passing grade or is audited (see the RPT Credentialing Standards for additional information), and
- b. a copy of the syllabus is provided and demonstrates play therapy content throughout the description, learning objectives, required readings, and class assignments.