Infant Mental Health Training Information
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The Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services (DAABHS) will be responsible for determining if a Licensed Mental Health Therapist meets the standards and can provide Medicaid-reimbursable Infant Mental Health dyadic therapy services.

If you are interested in submitting an application to become a DHS-approved Infant Mental Health Therapist, please go to the Publications and Documents section on the DHS/DBHS website (http://humanservices.arkansas.gov/about-dhs/dbhs) and search for the Infant Mental Health Standards Manual for additional information and the application. The manual can be found under the sub-section titled Manuals.

DAABHS will maintain a list of currently accepted evidence-based models for IMH on the DAABHS website. All IMH Therapists must have the DC: 0-5 training and at least one other evidenced-based, dyadic treatment method. Trainings other than what is identified on the list below may be considered by DAABHS with submission of requested documentation, but approval is not guaranteed.

DHS-approved evidence-based dyadic trainings for an Infant Mental Health Therapist at this time include:

- Trauma-focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT)
- Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT)
- Child-Parent Psychotherapy (CPP)
- Attachment & Biobehavioral Catch-Up (ABC)
- Early Pathways
- Filial Family Therapy
- TheraPlay
- Child-Parent Relationship Therapy (CPRT)

Training in evidence-based dyadic treatment is currently being provided by:

- UAMS/ARBEST Trainings website:  http://arbest.uams.edu/
- To receive ARBEST training notifications, email arbest_info@uams.edu
- Other providers, universities, or institutions may offer the approved trainings. Please verify that the training is a certified program prior to enrollment.

DC: 0-5 Trainings

DAABHS maintains a list of trainers in Arkansas who are currently certified to provide this training. You may contact us at the email below for a list of trainers. The cost of attending training will be the responsibility of the individual seeking to become an approved Infant Mental Health Therapist.

Please contact us at the DHS.BehavioralHealth@dhs.arkansas.gov email box with any questions. Include IMH in the subject line.