



Prevention Apprentice Application

This entry level pre-certification is intended for those entering the field of prevention in academic, employment or volunteer situations. This certification is issued for a two-year period and is re-certifiable for one additional two-year period. After that, you must upgrade to the CP or ICPS credential to remain actively certified.

Qualifications: Candidates for PA certification must:

- Live or work in Georgia at least 51% of the time;
- Complete the four mandatory PCCG core courses within 2 years of the application and have certificates of attendance for each course;
- Have 1 letter of recommendation;
- Complete the PA application and pay the application fee.

Steps to the Prevention Apprentice Certification:

1. Visit the PCCG website, www.pccga.org and download the Application Manual and Prevention Apprentice Application or request them by email, pccginfo@gmail.com.
2. Take the four mandatory core courses:
 - Fundamentals of Prevention* (12 hours)
 - Cultural Competency* (6 hours)
 - Communications for the Prevention Professional (6 hours)
 - Prevention Ethics** (6 hours)
3. Request a letter of recommendation from a supervisor, instructor or volunteer coordinator to be sent to PCCG.
4. Complete the PA Application, attach certificates of attendance for each of the core courses and make a check or money order payable to PCCG for the application fee or request to pay the fee through PCCG's PayPal account.
5. Send your application packet to the PCCG mailing address:

PCCG Credentialing Committee
P.O. Box 1922
Lawrenceville, GA 30046

*The **Substance Abuse Prevention Skills Training (SAPST)** can be used in lieu of the Fundamentals and Cultural Competence core courses if it was taken within 2 years of the application and you have a certificate of attendance.

The 6-hour moderated online course **Ethics in Prevention offered by Prevention Solutions (preventionsolutions@edc.org) will be accepted in lieu of the ethics core course if it was taken within 2 years of the application and you have a certificate of attendance.