

Eligibility Requirements

Successful certification indicates competence in the actual practice of infection prevention and control and healthcare epidemiology, and is intended for individuals who are actively accountable for the infection prevention and control program within their current position.

In order to qualify to sit for your initial certification, you must apply to take the initial certification examination. In order to be eligible to take the initial certification exam, you must meet ALL of the following requirements:

- 1. You are accountable for the infection prevention and control activities/program in your setting and this is reflected in your current job description.
- 2. You have a post-secondary degree from an accredited academic institution.

OR

Have a three-year Diploma RN degree (applicable through December 31, 2020 only)

- 3. You have had sufficient experience (recommended: two years) in infection prevention and control which includes all three (3) of the following:
 - Identification of infectious disease processes
 - Surveillance and epidemiologic investigation
 - Preventing and controlling the transmission of infectious agents
- 4. And at least two (2) of the remaining five (5) components:
 - Employee/occupational health
 - Management and communication
 - Education and research
 - Environment of care
 - Cleaning, sterilization, disinfection, and asepsis

Candidates will be required to submit the following documentation with their application:

- <u>Attestation Statement</u> (completed, signed and dated by supervisor)
- Proof of Degree
- CV/Resume
- Official Job Description