



## **Grandparenting/Reciprocity Policy**

### **Grandparenting Application Period Purpose and Scope**

A Grandparenting application period is specifically designed to acknowledge the competency of those who are currently doing the work that is expected of a person holding the newly developed and implemented credential in a manner that prevents a negative impact to the applicant by the establishment of new standards.

Grandparenting is not designed to be a “free pass” for individuals who are contemplating getting into a profession and want to take advantage of less demanding eligibility requirements. As such, the Grandparenting program candidates must demonstrate both qualifying work experience and specialized training in provision of recovery support services; however, eligible applicants are not required to pass a written test to earn the credential.

### **Reinstating a Credential Earned thru Grandparenting or Reciprocity**

Individuals who earn a credential during a grandparenting or reciprocity period who allow the credential to become inactive or suspended must meet the following requirements as part of the reinstatement process:

1. Must meet all reinstatement policies, including fees.
2. Must pass the current written exam, including paying test fee(s).
3. Must meet any credential requirements that were not in place at the time of the grandparenting/reciprocity period.