

Qualifications & Requirements for Child Care Health Consultants

CCHCs must hold a current Colorado license as a registered nurse (RN), pediatric nurse practitioner (PNP), family nurse practitioner (FNP), or physician (MD/DO) with knowledge and experience in maternal and child health. CCHCs offer the legally required transfer of authority, known as *delegation*, so trained and delegated early childhood staff may administer medications and implement special health care procedures for children in their program. The CCHC also serves as a guide to the program's administration, staff, children, and families to more effectively integrate health, safety, and wellness related information and evidence-based practices.

Additionally, CCHCs must successfully complete training and meet the following requirements:

- Complete the department-approved CCHC introductory training within six months of hire
- Participate in ongoing professional development by completing department-approved CCHC training every three years
- Complete the [Child Care and Preschool Immunizations](#) training annually
- Complete the Colorado [Recognition of Child Abuse Reporting and Neglect](#) training every three years
- Provide each early childhood program with documentation of their current medical/nursing license, biography, and training certificates
- Conduct monthly consultation and delegation and supervision
- Thoroughly document consultation and delegation and maintain records on site
- Become familiar with Colorado's child care [licensing regulations](#) and [health and sanitation rules](#).