ZERO TO THREE Certified Trainer: *The Growing Brain*

Certification Overview

ZERO TO THREE's *The Growing Brain: From Birth to 5 Years Old*

The following table summarizes the ZERO TO THREE Certified Trainer: *The Growing Brain's* timeframe, criteria, and evidence options by type of certification. Please visit www.zerotothree.org/trainercertification or contact trainercertification@zerotothree.org for additional information.

	Provisional Certification	**Certification**
Timeframe	Valid for one year	Renewable yearly
Criteria *What are the requirements to become certified?*	✓ Create or confirm your individual profile on ZERO TO THREE's Learning Center and complete the provisional certification application at www.zerotothree.org/learningcenter *(Launching May 1, 2018!)* ✓ Be a current early childhood trainer in your home state or country, or meet specified standards as an adult educator ✓ Successfully participate in *The Growing Brain* Training-of-Trainer session • Attend the entire session • Pass the knowledge assessment with at least an 80% score within 14 calendar days of completing the training-of-trainer session ✓ Agree to uphold the ZERO TO THREE Certified Trainer Agreement, and Code of Practice and Ethics Statement ✓ Applicants are also encouraged to complete the online Reflection Tool prior to the Training-of-Trainer session	✓ Be a current Certified ZERO TO THREE Trainer: *The Growing Brain* ✓ Complete the trainer certification application and pay fee of $90 USD on ZERO TO THREE's Learning Center ✓ Successfully deliver three units in their entirety or nine hours of training across *The Growing Brain* curriculum units since last certification award date ✓ Participate in at least one ZERO TO THREE trainer support offering (online or in-person) ✓ Participate in at least five clock hours of continuing education in the areas of brain or cognitive science; social-emotional, cognitive, or language and literacy development for children P – 5; or other areas of early childhood development which support a child's growing brain (total clock hours may include the ZERO TO THREE trainer support events) ✓ Review and agree to continue upholding the ZERO TO THREE Certified Trainer Agreement, and Code of Practice and Ethics Statement

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Evidence Options *How can I demonstrate I meet the criteria?*	**Active ZERO TO THREE Learning Center profile and completed provisional certification application** The provisional certification application walks candidates through the requirements and options for documentation, which include: □ Evidence proving current approved trainer status in your home state or country, or specified standards as an adult educator: • Copy of an official certificate, designation letter, or other written designation of approved early childhood trainer or adult educator status awarded by your state or country professional development system, higher education institution, or other appropriate governance entity; ***OR*** • Evidence of the following: o A minimum of a bachelor's degree in early childhood or a field relevant to brain development; ***AND*** o At least three years of experience as an adult educator; ***AND*** o Actively participate in professional activities through one of the following options: ▪ Membership in a professional organization related to early childhood, ***OR*** ▪ Participation in community, state, or national initiative related to early childhood, ***OR*** ▪ Evidence of ongoing professional development (e.g., an organized professional learning community), ***OR*** ▪ Participation in at least one state, regional, or national early childhood or brain development related conference; ***AND*** □ Confirmation from ZERO TO THREE documenting successful completion of *The Growing Brain* Training-of-Trainers session; ***AND*** □ Review and agree to uphold the ZERO TO THREE Certified Trainer Agreement, and Code of Practice and Ethics Statement	**Active ZERO TO THREE Learning Center profile, completed certification application and paid certification fee** The certification application walks candidates through the requirements and options for documentation, which include: □ Updates to evidence, if needed, proving current approved trainer status in your home state or country, or that you meet specified standards as an adult educator □ Documentation of successful delivery of a training, or trainings, of three units of *The Growing Brain* curriculum, or nine hours across the curriculum units: • Agenda of the training event, ***AND*** one of the following options: o Letter of recommendation from a peer or mentor trainer, or other formal observer of your The Growing Brain training delivery, dated within the last year; ***OR*** o The Growing Brain training participants' evaluation summary with a personal reflection or summary; ***OR*** o Brief video clips compilation of The Growing Brain training delivery with written or video summary self-reflection; ***OR*** o Other trainer requested documentation options pre-approved by ZERO TO THREE; ***AND*** □ Training certificates or transcripts documenting at least five clock hours of continuing education in ZERO TO THREE approved areas since last certification date; ***AND*** □ Review and agree to continue upholding the ZERO TO THREE Certified Trainer Agreement, and Code of Practice and Ethics Statement

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