

nice NATIONAL INTERVENER CERTIFICATION E-PORTFOLIO

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE ON NICE REVIEW BOARD

What is NICE?

The National Intervener Certification E-portfolio (NICE) System is an assessment process that interveners can use to submit evidence of their knowledge and skills. The evidence, which consists of digital documentation such as video samples, described pictures, and other documents from the intervener's training and practice, is evaluated by expert reviewers in the field of deaf-blindness. The process is aligned with the Council for Exceptional Children's (CEC) Knowledge and Skills Competencies for Interveners.

Portfolios are scored by at least two trained reviewers who are members of the NICE Review Board. The Paraprofessional Resource and Research (PAR²A) Center, which manages portfolio submissions, the NICE Review Board, and scoring, makes all certification determinations.

Invited reviewers are people with the following prerequisite knowledge, skills, experiences and interests:

- Expertise in training, preparing, or mentoring interveners that work in educational, community or home settings
- Have formally evaluated, supervised, mentored or supported interveners, instructional assistants, direct service personnel, teachers, or related service providers who serve individuals who are deafblind
- Have at least 7 years of experience in the field of deafblindness as a technical assistance provider, university faculty member, teacher, interpreter, intervener, related service provider, trainer, parent adviser, or consumer leader
- Are invested in national intervener certification and recognition of the intervener practice

Time commitments for reviewers include:

- Taking the online NICE Reviewer training module, with learning activities, before conducting any reviews (up to 2 hours)
- Review and sign a confidentiality and impartiality NICE Review Board agreement
- Participation in a NICE Reviewer virtual orientation meeting (1 hour)
- Attending 4 virtual NICE Review Board meetings per year (1-1.5 hours each- 6 hours total)
- Virtually, independently reviewing and scoring 2-5 e-portfolios per year (up to 50 hours)
 - Portfolio's take 5-12 hours to review over the course of one month

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Would you like to:

Help establish a growing field with recognition?

Promote paraprofessional/ intervener professional Development?

Add a valuable national-level Service activity to your CV?

Check out if you meet the requirements to be a part NICE!

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