CERTIFIED WELLNESS PRACTITIONER (CWP) EXAM ELIGIBILITY PATHWAY

CANDIDATE HAS A WELLNESS OR WELLNESS-RELATED BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER, OR A WELLNESS ASSOCIATE DEGREE

Bachelor's degree or higher

in Wellness OR Wellness-

related field + 1 year of

professional wellness

internship/practicum*

experience OR an

Associate degree in

Wellness + 2 years'

hours is required

professional wellness experience OR 1 year of

professional experience AND an internship/practicum* *if non credit-bearing, proof of a minimum of 70 internship/practicum CANDIDATE HAS A NON-WELLNESS BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER, OR A WELLNESS-RELATED ASSOCIATE DEGREE

- 3+ years' professional wellness experience OR
 - 2+ years' professional experience with a Minor or a Graduate Certificate in Wellness

CANDIDATE HAS A NON-WELLNESS-RELATED ASSOCIATE DEGREE, HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR EQUIVALENT

years' professional wellness experience* for eligibility review.**

Must submit evidence of 5

*Completing 15 hours of wellness continuing education in the last five years may replace up to one year of professional experience. Continuing education must align with the NWI Wellness Promotion Competency Model.

**additional fee required

Degrees in Wellness: Wellness, Health Promotion, Health Education, Public Health, Integrative Health, Healthy Living, Wellness Management

Wellness-related Degrees: Dietetics, Kinesiology, Exercise Science, Psychology, Social Work, Nursing, Health Psychology, or Advanced Practitioner Degree (DO, MD, PA, DC, DPT)

All CWP candidates must complete an application during registration to provide information supporting their eligibility. If also requesting pre-screening by the Council on Wellness Certification Excellence (CWCE), they must submit a separate Eligibility Verification Form and \$25 review fee *no less than three weeks prior to the start date* of the CWP exam period.

Candidates who are unsure if they meet the eligibility requirements to sit for the CWP exam have the **option** to request a pre-screening by submitting the <u>Eligibility Verification Form</u>.

Candidates with a non-wellness-related Associate degree, high school diploma, or equivalent are *required* to provide evidence of five years' professional wellness experience by submitting the <u>Eligibility Verification Form</u>.

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