## CANS Certification and Re-certification Policy

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1. Must attend live CANS training or participate in the online training [https://www.schoox.com/login.php](https://www.schoox.com/login.php)
   a. Pass the online test with a score of .70 or higher on one or more of the following tools utilized in SCC:
      i. CANS: Comprehensive 5+
      ii. CANS: Early Childhood

2. Annual re-certification is required by the anniversary date of previous CANS certification. CANS should not be used if your certification has expired. For any support needs with the training website, please email support@TCOMtraining.com

3. **Note:** It is the responsibility of the program or agency to track certification status.

### Trainings & Certification/Re-certification Testing

- **GENERAL CANS USE**
  - Access to general online training & certification tests for Santa Clara County is obtained by purchasing **coupon codes** from the Praed Foundation. Codes are $12 per individual payment or $10 per person per group payment (5 or more) for an annual subscription.
    - Agencies can purchase coupons by contacting Joy Dicus at [Joy.Dicus@uky.edu](mailto:Joy.Dicus@uky.edu) When contacting Michelle for coupons, please be sure and provide the following information:
      - Jurisdiction Name (California--Santa Clara County), Agency Name, Number of codes needed, Method of Payment (credit card or check)
    - Each individual needs a new coupon code for each year. Users need to enter a new code when they recertify. If they are not being prompted to enter a code when they go to recertify, then they are recertifying too early.
      - **Note:** It is the responsibility of the program or agency to purchase their own coupons.
  - Attend a live CANS trainings through:
    - [Title IV-E Collaboration Training](#)
    - [Learning Partnership/Santa Clara County Behavioral Health Services Department](#)
    - Have an in-house trainer provide live training (see below for trainer qualifications)
    - **NOTE:** Following any live training, attendees must then test online at [https://www.schoox.com/login.php](https://www.schoox.com/login.php) (coupon code required) in order to become certified.

- **CANS Trainers**
  - **Trainer Certification & Re-Certification**
    1. Pass the CANS certification test with a score of .80 or higher;
      a. Score of .80 is required on all variations of the CANS that the trainer will be training on, such as:
        - CANS: Comprehensive 5+
        - CANS: Early Childhood
    2. Attend live 6-hour workshop (TCOM/CANS Trainer the Trainer);
    3. In addition to participating in the workshop, **within 2 weeks** submit to Praed trainer:
      a. develop mini vignettes that illustrate the Six Key Principles of a Communimetric tool
      b. develop and submit an original mock vignette with recommended action levels and rationale
      c. develop a plan of care/treatment plan using the corresponding CANS action levels from the trainer-developed mock vignette
      d. articulate an introduction to TCOM and the CANS
    4. Once certified, all trainers will be provided access to the Certified Trainer site on CANStraining.com.
    5. Certified Trainers are to re-certify annually via the online test to maintain their trainer status. Certified Trainer re-certification requires annual re-certification CANS reliability of .80.
    6. Attendance at the annual TCOM Conference once every 2-3 years is highly recommended to remain current on changes and trends.