Roadmap to Becoming a Certified Brain Injury Specialist

1. Verify that you meet the eligibility requirements
2. Register for an ACBIS account
3. Submit the application and pay the fee
4. Self-study or attend an official ACBIS training
5. Identify a proctor and schedule your two-hour exam
6. Take the online exam and receive your score immediately via email
   Note: If you fail the first attempt, you can take the exam again within your one-year eligibility period
7. Pass with 80% or higher and get certified!

Who Can Become a Certified Brain Injury Specialist (CBIS)?

- OTs, PTs, SLPs
- Neuropsychologists
- Behavior analysts
- Nurses
- Case managers
- Music and recreation therapists
- Special education teachers
- Social workers
- Rehabilitation counselors
- Vocational specialists
- Other professionals in the field of brain injury

Eligibility Requirements

- 500 hours of currently verifiable direct contact experience with an individual or individuals with brain injury
  - Experience can be paid employment and/or academic internship
  - The qualifying experience must have included formal supervision or have been conducted while the applicant operated under a professional license
  - Volunteer work does not qualify
- Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent
- If operating under a professional license, must be in good standing

Renewing the Certification

- Complete 10 continuing education units in brain injury
- Pay the renewal fee
- Submit a renewal application
- Repeat annually