

ICF NEW RECERTIFICATION GUIDE

Hi, I'm Anne Kelly, thank you for stopping by my blog, where I have all things related to ICF credentialing to make that process easier for you. And I have a really exciting guide that's just come out from the ICF called the **ICF Credential Renewal Guide**. I'm going to show you a couple of items in there that really caught my eye. This guide is brand new. You'll notice it's dated September 15th, just a hair over a month old, and some great information, from what I'm hearing for coaches.

I'm going to jump ahead to the **Credential Upgrade Policy**, which I think you may be excited to hear about. And also I want to talk about the **Extenuating Circumstance Policy**. Those are on pages 10 and 11 a copy of these documents available in the blog below. So have a look at that. There's lots of other good information.

But I do want to point out two things, as I mentioned, the **Credential Upgrade Policy**. So I talked to, of course, a lot of coaches coming in, getting their initial ACC, going from ACC, and renewing that, and then deciding, "When do I apply for my PCC? Maybe I go from PCC to MCC." So we're talking here about the possibility of upgrading to the next level. And there's some very exciting news related to that – this brand-new credential upgrade policy supports coaches who apply for a higher-level credential within one year of the expiration date. So if that fits you or someone you know, "Should I apply? Should I just renew or apply?", the ICF heard you, and they will extend your active certification for up to 12 months. That takes a lot of the pressure off of coaches trying to decide between those two.

So if a credential holder applies for a higher-level credential *within one year of the expiration date*, the current expiration date can be **extended for a year**. That will be a big help. More on that on page 10, and then the – this doesn't apply to a whole lot of people, but it applies to some, the **Extenuating Circumstance Policy**. I know two coaches I've spoken with very recently that we're very happy to hear about this. So this is about credential holders who are unable to meet the requirements because life happens. They can request a *temporary extension of their credential for up to 12 months*. Listen, if you got extenuating circumstances, contact them. Ask. But some of the ones they list here are serious, personal illness, family emergency, long term medical disability. So if you don't fit exactly into this, contact them anyway and say, "Here's what life has been like for the last few years as I try to maintain my credential." Lots of other great information in there, again, I encourage you to check it out.

And then please do stop by my blog frequently and check out additional information. The ICF is coming up in response to our request, more and more ways for us to obtain and maintain that credential, and I am available to you as the **Credentialing Confusion Buster** as well, if you'd like to have a chat and see do some of these apply, what might you do at this particular time in your credential journey? It'll be a nice chat. You can – I'll tell you about some of my programs, and you can see if it would be good to work with me and we're a good match. But very least, please take a look at this brand-new guide from the ICF. There is something in there for just about every coach I know. That's it for today. Thank you so much for joining.

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