

Home Modification Certification Comparison Chart

Comparing the current certification options

	CLIPP	ECHM	CERTIFIED AGING IN PLACE	SENIOR HOME SAFETY SPECIALIST	CHAMP	Certified Home Accessibility Therapist (CHAT)
HOURS/ CEUS	10 online CLASSES 16 HOURS	5 CLASSES 52 HOURS	3 – 1 DAY 6 CREDIT HOUR 18 HOUR TOTAL in person and some online options	5 HOURS online	3 days live in Florida	30 HOURS online on demand Plus 2 x month Live online sessions
PROFESSI ONALS WHO CAN TAKE THE COURSE	Open to Public on request. Designers, Architects, Therapists, contractors, builders, home inspectors, sales reps, retailers, realtors	Open to Public. remodelers/contract ors, planners, personnel of organizations representing the elderly and people with disabilities, occupational and physical therapists, policymakers.	Open to Public. remodelers, contractors, occupational therapists, physical therapists, trade contractors/sales, academics, real estate professionals	Open to the public	Contractors, accessibility specialists, case managers, and claims managers. The focus is on Worker's compensation	OT/PT/OTA/PTA Professionals *Geared towards OT as research supports OT Professionals for Home Mods* AOTA Approved CEU Course
RECERTIFI CATION REQUIRE MENTS	Annual recertification	NA	Annual 4 hour CEU Requirement	Yearly	NA	Every 2 Years 10 hours CEUs Optional ongoing support and CEU group \$25 month after graduation with 4 hours CEUs per month available

INITIAL COST	\$600 Manual \$175	\$1000 if paid upfront. \$1125 if not. \$835 for AOTA Members	\$900-\$1005	\$395	\$800 plus Florida Expenses	\$825 \$725
INITIAL APPLICAT ION	\$0	\$0	\$110 - \$218	\$0	NA	\$0
RECERTIFI CATION	\$75/yearly	NA	\$65-95/year	\$49/year	NA	\$75/every 2 years

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COURSE CONTE NT	16 hrs 1. Introduction live online Disability Meal 2. On-demand Video Inter-professional teams & statistics and trends 3. On-demand Video Medical solutions/home assessments 4. On-demand Video Design solutions/electrical/color/ doors/windows 5. On-demand Video Design solutions/faucets/counte rtops/cabinets/appliance s/flooring 6. On-demand Video Design solutions/Kitchen design/bathrooms/laund ry/exterior areas 7. On-demand Video Design solutions/memory cognitive issues/building permits/wellness	Course 1: The basics and Beyond Universal design, home assessments, common home modifications Course 2: How to get it done. Negotiating with contractors, reading architectural plans, individual modifications, and project evaluation Course 3: Funding resources and financing mechanisms Course 4: Raising community awareness and coalition building. Course 5: Ethics in home modifications.	Course 1: Marketing and Communicating with the Aging in Place Client (CAPS I). Identify marketing opportunities, team collaboration, challenges for aging in place, needs assessment, and communication Course 2: Design Concepts for Livable Homes and Aging in Place (CAPS II) Estimating and scheduling for AIP, legal and contractual considerations for AIP. Design concepts for the livable home and AIP.	– Fall Prevention Myths and Solutions – Fire Safety Precautions and Solutions – Aging-in-Place Home Modifications – Mobility and Accessibility Issues – Home and Senior Safety Technologies – Considerations for Alzheimer's /Dementia – Crime Prevention and Personal Safety – Senior Exploitation, Identity Theft and Scams – Communication with Older Adults and Family – Performing a Complete Home Safety Assessment	Workers' compensation. Scope Development Foundations Field practice Guidelines Common Diagnosis Products and design.	25 online on demand video Classes focused on the therapist perspective. 1.Impact of falls 2. Research evidence for home modifications, 3. Ethics, 4. Laws & regulations, medicare obligations, 5. Understanding the therapy home modification process 6. Reading a floor plan and understanding basic construction principles, 7. Tools that will help with your home modifications practice. 8. Environmental assessments to use, 9. Client factors to evaluate, 10. Establishing your systems, 11. Before your first visit 12. During your first visit 13. After your first visit 14. Telehealth and home modifications 15. Ramp design factors,

	8. On-demand Video Selling Living in Place 9. On-demand Video Selling Living in place continued 10. Live online interactive Networking/course review.		Course 3: Details and Solutions for Livable Homes and Aging in Place (CAPS III) Designs for AIP, Specialized products, budgeting, common missteps, prioritizing with budgetary constraints, task prioritization			16. Grab bar prescription, 17. Bathroom modifications, 18. .Basic products used in home modifications, 19. Home assessments and modifications under Medicare, 20. Documenting home assessments, 21. Writing a scope of work, 22. Coding & Billing, 23. Funding home modifications, 24. DME & letters of Medical Necessity, 25 .Role for the assistant 26. Cash-based and hybrid practice Private FB/Telegram group 3 months online live group coaching sessions 2 hours 2 x month
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* CHAT - Certified Home Accessibility Therapist

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