



Application for BCS-AAC is OPEN!

**Greetings from the AB-AAC!
Please see the announcements below:**

The application process for the BSC-AAC is NOW OPEN and located at:
[BSC-AAC Application | The American Board of AAC \(aacspecialist.org\)](#)

Applicants between July and early September will be included in the opportunity to be a part of the Exam Standardization group. If your application is selected as part of the Exam Standardization Group, you will be notified via e-mail by the American Board of Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AB-AAC) in mid-September in preparation for the Standardization Exam administration during the last week of October or the first week of November 2024. Following completion of the exam taken by the Exam Standardization Group and the standardization of the examination results, subsequent examination rounds will be opened for the remaining applicants (exams projected for February and October 2025) as well as for additional applicants who may apply. Application

fees collected will remain on file and be applied when your examination opens in 2025.

For detailed information on application requirements and process please go to: [Preparing | The AACBoard \(aacspecialist.org\)](https://www.aacspecialist.org)

Here you will find the recently completed American Board of Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AB-AAC) manual. The manual contains detailed information regarding the application process and requirements.

NOTE: There is an update regarding CEU Activities for the application process. Whereas initially only intermediate and advanced CEU activities were required, now:

AAC related CEU activity may be accepted at any level of content for applicants applying in 2024-25 given the limited number of educational activities available at the intermediate and advanced levels due to the COVID-19 endemic. However, starting in 2026, all applicants must demonstrate CE activity only at the intermediate and advanced levels to meet requirements.

In 2026, the following becomes the standard:

Applicants must achieve a minimum of 1.0 of the required 7.5 CEUs by participation in ADVANCED level CEU opportunities. These advanced CEU offerings may be live, in-person, or virtual (e.g., ASHA Learning Pass Courses, ATIA virtual courses, etc.) The remaining CEU's will need to be met by participation in Intermediate level and/or Advanced level opportunities. No beginner level CEU's will be accepted.

Further details are included in the American Board of Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AB-AAC) Manual under section B.3.1

We look forward to receiving your application and advancing our Mission on your behalf:

The mission of the American Board of Augmentative and Alternative Communication(AB-AAC) includes the following:

- To administer an efficient certification program for specialists in the clinical practice and research in augmentative and alternative communication (AAC)
- To provide the opportunity for practitioners to specify the nature of the clinical practice they provide.
- To provide advanced-level educational opportunities for practitioners
- To maintain a mechanism by which the public can identify those practitioners with specialized clinical knowledge, education, and experience
- To increase awareness of validated assessment and treatment procedures, and promote educated choices for provision of services, and
- To influence health care and educational policies that impact access to quality AAC clinical and educational services.

For any questions, feel free to contact us at: [Contact | American Board of AAC | United States\(aacspecialist.org\)](#)

Kind Regards,

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