



Educational Therapy – Required Credentials

Educational therapists must enroll with SEAA and hold a license or credential in their field to accept ESA+ funds.

Qualified providers must individually hold a license or accreditation that is recognized by a State, regional, or national organization that governs the field of therapy for which they are providing services.

Examples of Required Credentials*

Type of Therapy	Credential Required
Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)	Behavior Analyst Certification Board
Art Therapy	Art Therapy Credentials Board
Behavioral Therapy, Counseling (Psychologist)	NC Board of Psychology
Behavioral Therapy, Counseling (Psychiatrist)	NC Medical Board
Behavioral Therapy, Counseling (Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor)	NC Board of Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselors
Music Therapy	Certification Board for Music Therapists
NILD Educational Therapy	National Institute for Learning Development (NILD)
Occupational Therapy	NC Board of Occupational Therapy
Optometric Vision Therapy	College of Optometrists in Vision Development
Physical Therapy	NC Board of Physical Therapy Examiners
Recreational Therapy	NC Board of Recreational Therapy
Speech Therapy & Audiology Services	NC Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathologists & Audiologists
Therapeutic horseback riding lessons/equine therapy	Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH Intl.)
Vision Rehabilitation/Low Vision/Orientation & Mobility Services	Academy for Certification of Vision Rehabilitation & Education Professionals

*Not an exhaustive list