



# SOUTH CAROLINA Infant Mental Health Association

INFANT/EARLY CHILDHOOD MENTAL HEALTH ENDORSEMENT®

## Family Associate

Scope of work:  
**Promotion**



Serves children  
ages 0-6



**WHO**  
Doula, Midwife, Court-Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), Lactation Consultant, Early Childhood Educator, Early Head/Head Start Teacher, Program Administrator, Home Visitor, Pediatric Health Care Provider, Early Intervention provider

**DO YOU...**

- Use a strengths based perspective and reinforce positive parent-child interactions?
- Recognize needs and make appropriate referrals?
- Share with families an understanding of relationship development?

**DO YOU...**

- Demonstrate respect for the uniqueness of each client family's culture?
- Establish trusting relationships with the families you serve?
- And more?



**IF YOU ANSWERED YES...**  
You are supporting the mental health development of the children you serve by promoting healthy relationships with their caregivers!



**RECOGNIZE YOUR EXPERTISE**  
Endorsement® connects your professional experiences with a set of competencies that recognize your infant and/or early childhood mental health promotion expertise.



**BENEFITS OF ENDORSEMENT®**

- Enhance the quality of your relationship-based services
- Participate in ongoing and targeted professional development opportunities
- Join an international network of infant and early childhood professionals



**INTERESTED?**  
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