



## NEWS RELEASE

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### IC&RC Announces the Updated

### Advanced Alcohol & Drug (AADC) Counselor Examination

The International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC), the world leader in addiction-related credentialing, is proud to announce the finalization of the updated **Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (AADC) examination**. This updated examination is aligned with the 2023 IC&RC AADC Job Analysis (JA).

**The tentative administration date for the updated AADC examination is Tuesday, July 1st, 2025.** All candidates scheduled to take the AADC examination, on or after this date, will be taking the updated examination.

While there are **no changes to the AADC domains** and only **minimal adjustments to the test blueprint**, we encourage candidates to compare the content outlines found in the two versions of the **AADC Exam Candidate Guide** to determine their preferred course of action. Candidates can find the CURRENT AADC Candidate Guide linked below:

- [AADC Exam Candidate Guide CURRENT](#)

Candidates preparing to take the **updated AADC examination** (on or after July 1), can find the new AADC Exam Candidate Guide, posted on IC&RC's website under "Prep and Study Materials" and directly linked below:

- [AADC Exam Candidate Guide UPDATED](#)

In addition, a new General Candidate Guide is also available with important information for **all** exam candidates: [General Candidate Guide](#).

Please direct any questions regarding the updated examinations to Susan Veit, Director of Credentialing ([susan@internationalcredentialing.org](mailto:susan@internationalcredentialing.org)).