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**DATE:**  
June 30, 2022

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22-08

**SUBJECT: EDUCATION SPECIALIST RECOMMENDATIONS VIA CTC ONLINE**

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**Summary:**

At the April 2022 Commission meeting, the Commissioners approved a regulatory package regarding changes to the Education Specialist Credential. The Office of Administrative Law (OAL) approved the package and several updates to the Education Specialist Credential will go into effect on July 1, 2022. This CIA covers changes to the CTC Online system and provides guidance on online submissions.

**Key Provisions:**

With the regulatory approval of changes to the Education Specialist Instruction Credential several updates will be implemented in the CTC online system. Effective July 1, 2022, the authorizations available for the Education Specialist Instruction Credential will now include the following authorizations which will be listed in the system by the title and new authorization code:

- Mild to Moderate Support Needs – **R3MN**
- Extensive Support Needs – **R3EN**
- Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing – **R4HD**
- Visual Impairments – **R3VB**
- Early Childhood Special Education – **R3ER**

Auth Code	Auth Code Desc	Subject Code	Subject Desc	Maj/Min/Emph
> R3EN	Extensive Support Needs	EN	Extensive Support Needs	MAJ
R3ER	Early Childhood Special Education	ER	Early Childhood Special Education	MAJ
R3HD	Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing	HD1	Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing	MAJ
R3MN	Mild to Moderate Support Needs	MN	Mild to Moderate Support Needs	MAJ
R3VB	Visual Impairments	VB	Visual Impairments	MAJ

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Commission-approved preparation programs have been working on updating their programs to align with the new standards and Teacher Performance Expectations (TPEs). Programs will need to take caution to select the correct Education Specialist Credential program when submitting recommendations after July 1, 2022. The credential type selected should be based upon the **program that the candidate is enrolled in and ultimately is completing**. Any candidate that is newly enrolled in an Intern Program on or after July 1, 2022 should be recommended using the new credential program codes. To differentiate the old programs with the new the Authorized Submitter should look for the **Program Type titled 2018 Preliminary (for Preliminary and Intern documents) or District Intern Credential – 2018 Preliminary**.

Title	Document Description	Term	Term Description	Category	Progi	Category Description	Program Type
> TC3S	Education Specialist Instruction Credential	IN	Intern	FT		First Time	2018 PRELIMINARY
TC3S	Education Specialist Instruction Credential	IN	Intern	NT		New Credential Type	2018 PRELIMINARY
TC3S	Education Specialist Instruction Credential	P5	Preliminary	FT		First Time	2018 PRELIMINARY
TC3S	Education Specialist Instruction Credential	P5	Preliminary	NT		New Credential Type	2018 PRELIMINARY
TC10	District Intern Credential	SE		FT		First Time	DISTRICT INTERN CREDENTIAL-2018 PRELIMINARY
TC10	District Intern Credential	SE		NT		New Credential Type	DISTRICT INTERN CREDENTIAL-2018 PRELIMINARY

LEAs submitting online applications for any permits not associated with an approved program, e.g. Limited Assignment Permits, will not need to select any new option to see the new special education authorizations. The new authorizations will display automatically when at the appropriate screen.

As these changes affect all programs, it will not be necessary to submit a CL-897 form requesting access to these new authorizations if a program already has access to an existing authorization area. For example, if a preparation program already has approval for

Mild/Moderate disabilities all the Authorized Submitters for that institution with this access will automatically be linked to the new Mild to Moderate Support needs.

All of the Education Specialist authorizations will now include Autism both in preparation and as part of the updated authorization statements. Due to this change, for those candidates who are getting this content in their preparation program, it will no longer be necessary to provide additional preparation and add the Added Authorization in Autism, authorization code **AAAS**, to any of the new authorizations.

### **Added Authorizations**

The updated standards also impacted the Education Specialist Early Childhood Special Education Added Authorization. The updated authorization uses the new authorization code **SEEC**. As noted for the full authorizations, this Added Authorization must be used for anyone who enrolls in and completes an added authorization in ECSE program after July 1, 2022.

While the standards also created new Bridge Authorizations to allow individuals to be authorized in the areas which were not covered by their original preparation, these will not be available through CTC Online. To add these authorizations a paper application must be submitted. Please see the Bridge Authorization CIA linked in the References below for full details.

### **Important Dates:**

The new authorizations will be available July 1, 2022.

### **References:**

CIA 22-06 – Education Specialist – Assignments

<https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/credentials/alerts/2022/cia-22-06.pdf>

CIA 22-07 – Education Specialist – Bridge Authorizations

<https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/credentials/alerts/2022/cia-22-07.pdf>

CIA 22-09 – Education Specialist – OOS and OOC

<https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/credentials/alerts/2022/cia-22-09.pdf>

Adding or removing an Authorized Submitter – form CL-897

[https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/cig-leaflets/cl897.pdf?sfvrsn=53e49493\\_9](https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/cig-leaflets/cl897.pdf?sfvrsn=53e49493_9)

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