



Community Data Roundtable CANS-PA Certification and DataPool™ Registration



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CDR CANS–PA Certification Instructions

The Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) is a decision-support tool to guide care planning, and to track changing strengths and needs over time. The copyrights are held by the Praed Foundation.

Community Data Roundtable has collaborated with a large number of individuals and organizations, including an extensive expert advisory board, in the development of a Pennsylvania specific CANS called the CDR CANS–PA.

Use of the CDR CANS–PA tool requires an active certification. CANS certification is centralized through the Praed Foundation's collaborative training website www.canstraining.com. This site provides a full training experience with videos, quizzes, practice vignettes with feedback and certification testing.

You must score at least a .70 to pass certification. In the event you do not pass the final exam with a .70 or better you will be allowed to re-take the test. After 3 failed attempts you will not be allowed to take the test again without contacting the Praed Foundation for further assistance. You may also contact Community Data Roundtable for additional support.

The cost to become certified and have access to the CANS training website is \$12 and is the responsibility of the individual evaluator. Evaluators should check with their specific agency to determine if the cost of the CDR CANS–PA certification is reimbursable.

Step-By-Step Instructions to Become Certified:

- 1 Go to www.canstraining.com. *Recommended Browsers: Chrome, Safari or Firefox*
- 2 Click **Register** to create an account.
- 3 Create a username and password and add demographic information.
- 4 Choose Pennsylvania–Community Data Roundtable for your jurisdiction and enter your agency affiliation before clicking **Register**.
- 5 On the next screen you will click on **My Courses**.
- 6 Once you have completed the registration process click on the green **Get Access!** button.
- 7 Go to **Billing Information**, complete payment information and click **Complete Transaction**.
- 8 Click **Profile Overview**, and then click on **Pennsylvania–Community Data Roundtable** box.
- 9 When you are ready to attempt certification please click the **Final Exam** box on the bottom right of the page. You have 2 hours to complete the test. *Remember: You will have 3 chances to pass the test.*

Helpful Tips: Use your CDR CANS–PA manual for the test and in practice to ensure evidence supported rating per item. Click **Practice Tests** box to take practice vignettes BEFORE you attempt certification.

Congratulations on becoming certified on the CDR CANS–PA! Now that you are certified, you must register with the online CANS tool, also known as the CDR DataPool™.

Register for a CDR DataPool™ Account:

- 1** Go to <https://pool.communitydataroundtable.org>.
- 2** Click **Create An Account**.
- 3** Fill in the relevant information.
- 4** Click **Submit**.

Within 48 hours you will receive an email notification from Community Data Roundtable confirming your account activation. You will then be able to log into the DataPool™ and administer the CANS.

Community Data Roundtable will automatically email you a DataPool™ Manual upon registration. You can also go to www.communitydataroundtable.org to access brief training videos on how to use the CDR DataPool™.

If you have any questions about CANS certification or DataPool™ account registration, please do not hesitate to email us at support@communitydataroundtable.org.

About Community Data Roundtable

Community Data Roundtable (CDR) is a Pennsylvania based non-profit organization committed to improving treatment outcomes for children involved in the PA behavioral health system. Our mission is to bring together stakeholders from the behavioral and mental health system to implement a collaborative beneficial outcomes monitoring system.

As part of our work to help ensure that children get paired with the best treatment option for their specific needs, CDR designed the Pennsylvania CANS (CDR CANS–PA) and the online CANS tool known as the DataPool™.

The DataPool™ collects assessment information and produces reports. It also calculates results to inform intensity of care determinations and make service matching suggestions. Currently, CDR is collecting data from numerous counties in Pennsylvania and over 50 providers are using the CDR CANS–PA tool as part of their evaluation practices. As part of our mission to improve outcomes for families involved in the behavioral health system, we produce reports on treatment outcomes and trends using aggregate data and make these available to the public.

For more information, please visit us online at www.communitydataroundtable.org.