

## Professional Development Points (PDPs) for Supervising Practitioners & Host Teachers

This advisory clarifies the number of possible Professional Development Points (PDPs) that individuals serving as Supervising Practitioners and/or Host Teachers may earn.

### Supervising Practitioners

In continuation of our previous policy, Sponsoring Organizations may award up to 30 PDPs per calendar year to a Supervising Practitioner based on the following:


- Up to 20 PDPs may be awarded to an individual for serving as a Supervising Practitioner, and
- Up to 10 PDPs may be awarded to Supervising Practitioners for completing training to successfully fulfill the role of a Supervising Practitioner. The minimum required hours for training to earn 10 PDPs is 6 hours.

For candidates completing a dual split practicum, PDPs do not need to be split or shared between the two Supervising Practitioners who are supervising the same candidate; rather, each Supervising Practitioner may be eligible to earn up to 30 PDPs at the discretion of the organization as outlined above.

### Host Teachers

Host Teachers are also eligible for up to 30 PDPs per calendar year based on the following:

- Up to 10 PDPs may be awarded to Host Teachers for completing training to successfully fulfill the role of a Host Teacher. The minimum required hours for training to earn 10 PDPs is 6 hours.
- Up to 20 PDPs may be awarded to an individual for serving as a Host Teacher, given they are providing a significant proportion of the formal feedback to a teacher candidate as outlined in the [Guidelines for Pre-Practicum Teachers](#).

Application of PDPs toward licensure renewal will be at the discretion of the individual. Supervising Practitioners and Host Teachers will have the option to apply their PDPs in content, content-related pedagogy, or as educational-related issues/topics (elective). Please visit the [Recertification/Renewal Guidelines](#)  for more information.

Sponsoring Organizations are responsible for delivering high quality [professional development](#) to Supervising Practitioners and Host Teachers through training and support. Because of this responsibility, the number of PDPs awarded (up to the maximum allowed) is at the discretion of the organization.

If your Sponsoring Organization has not yet registered to become a PDP provider and would like to, please complete an application [here](#).

As always, if you have any questions, please email us at: [EducatorPreparation@mass.gov](mailto:EducatorPreparation@mass.gov).