



WEBINAR SERIES

WELCOME

**CEH Categories
& CPP Exam Prep**

May 20, 2026

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

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- Sarah Meyers, Vice President
- Beverly Sarles, Board Secretary
- Sheila Crapper, Treasurer



Join Us & Become a PSCBW Director

Must be an APP or CPP for a minimum of six (6) months prior to applying.

Regular monthly meetings are held on the second Friday of the month via Zoom.

Our Annual Meeting is held in person in September.

Submit the Contact Us form for more information.



What are some accepted educational opportunities for CEHs?



Initial CPP Application Review Form

Recently Accepted CEHs Topics by Category

Adopted April 2026

Generally, these descriptions and topics are approved for CPP initial applications, renewals, and recertifications. This is not an exhaustive list and is subject to change without notification. Long running courses, workshops, trainings, and conferences have been known to change content overtime necessitating adjustments on the part of the PSCBW in accepting and approving CEHs.

Training or education on the following topics

Pharmacology and/or Drug Harm Reduction Education

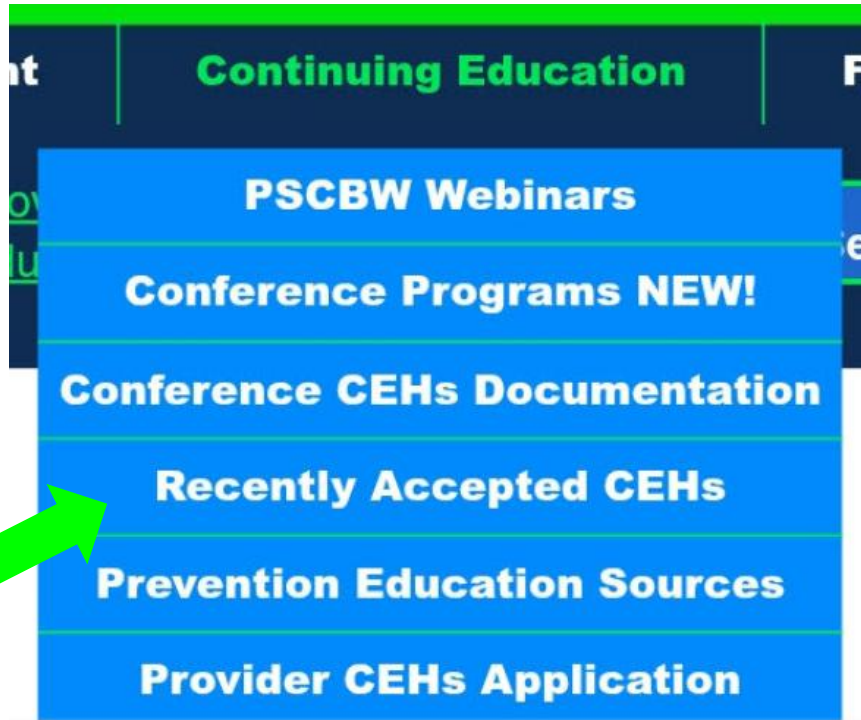
- Drug Pharmacology including but not limited to Alcohol, Cannabis, Vapes and other Tobacco products, Amphetamines, Opioids, etc., substance use effects on the human body.
- Harm reduction is a broad term that applies to policies, programs, and practices that aim to minimize the health, social, and economic consequences of substance misuse, such as environmental and economic challenges, access to drugs and lack of awareness of community resources, lack of access to treatment, providing safer conditions to manage substance misuse, etc. Drug harm reduction approaches are aimed at reducing the harmful effects of substance misuse. Acceptable CEHs will contain the term of *harm reduction* in the title or content will address substance misuse specifically.

Prevention-specific Ethics Education

- [PTTC Network](#)
- [HealthEKnowledge](#)
- [Prevention Training Services](#) – Basic Prevention Ethics Education (6 hours) and Prevention Ethics Refresher (3 hours)
- [Prevention Network](#)
- [Rocky Mountain Public Health Training Center](#)

Substance Use Prevention Education

- Approved evidence-based, prevention programs, e.g. Guiding Good Choices, SPORT Prevention Plus Wellness
- Substance use prevention for all age groups, e.g. Botvin's LifeSkills
- Parenting education classes, e.g. Guiding Good Choices, The Incredible Years, Parent BASICS
- Substance use prevention for various settings, e.g. primary, secondary and higher education, family, community
- Prevention Core Competencies*
- Pre-SAPST and SAPST*



A PDF file of the document is available to download.

IC&RC PS Exam Prep & Test Policy



Testing Policy

* See full testing policy for details related to no-shows and rescheduling

- All applicants must test within 90 days of their application being accepted
- All exams are in-person
- If there is a need to reschedule, it must be at least 5 days prior*
- If an applicant is late, doesn't have proper ID, or is a no-show, they will be charged another testing fee*
- Accommodations are available with a doctor's note (extra time, physical accommodation, etc.)



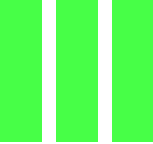
Prevention Specialist (PS) Exam

- 150 multiple choice questions (125 scored, 25 pilot questions)
- Time limit: 3 hours
- Questions can be bookmarked to come back to
- Passing score is a 500 out of an 800-point scale
- Overall passing rate is between 60%-65%. WA State pass rate is 89%
- Only taken one time



6 Domains

- I. Planning and Evaluation:** *Community assessments, strategic planning, and the Strategic Prevention Framework*
- II. Prevention Education and Service Delivery:** *Implementing evidence-based programs, program selection, and modifying strategies to appropriate audiences*
- III. Communication:** *Coalition building, mobilizing volunteers, community organizing, engaging key leaders and stakeholders*
- IV. Public Policy and Environmental Change:** *Environmental strategies, public policy, and local ordinance*
- V. Professional Growth and Responsibility:** *Understanding the Prevention Code of Ethics, cultural competency, and professional development*



Study Guides & Practice Exams

- Physical book “*Prevention Specialist Exam Study Guide*” by Nicole M. Augustine (\$20 - \$40, online)
- Rhode Island Study Guide, IC&RC Candidate Guide
- PTTC Exam Prep YouTube Playlist
- Lots of free resources online!

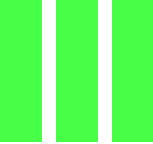
Mixed reviews-

*Some have said practice tests were not helpful,
others have said they were very helpful*



Test Questions

- Are confidential
- You will not see any real test questions on a study guide or practice tests “out in the wild.”
- Are not all scored
- Constantly being reviewed – 25 questions on the exam are being pilot tested
- May use different terminology than you are used to – *this is not a test on how well you know CPWI*
- Can be bookmarked to come back to



Tips for Multiple Choice Tests

- Read the question CLOSELY – what is the question actually asking?
- Eliminate the wrong answers
- Choose the BEST answer

Test Attempt(s)	Minimum Waiting Period	Maximum Waiting Period	Application Fee	Documentation Required
1st Attempt	None	Must test within 90 days following pre-registration date.	\$275 application fee (testing fee included)	Approved Initial CPP Certification Application.
2nd Attempt	6 months	12 months	\$125 testing fee	New background check (if needed), IC&RC test registration form, and Valid WA State photo identification.
3rd Attempt	12 months	18 months	\$125 testing fee	30 CEHs in categories determined by the Testing Chair obtained between the dates of the first test attempt and any relevant waiting periods, a new background check if needed, IC&RC test registration form, and valid WA State photo identification.
4th attempt	18 months (to acquire the required 120 CEHs for new application)	No maximum waiting period	\$275 application fee (testing fee included)	Approved Initial CPP Application

Retaking the Exam



**We are here
to help!**

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To ensure an exemplary, professional prevention workforce.
To conduct certification of prevention professionals, to uphold ethical standards and to promote professional

Current CPPs in Good Standing

With expiration dates.

Continuing Education

- CEHs List by Category
- Conference Programs
- Resources for CEHs

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Webinar Registration & Recordings

Intent to Apply Forms

Application Forms

Download fillable documents.



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Have questions?

Attend our bimonthly webinars to find your answers.

**3rd
Wednesday**

2-3 PM

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