



2007 CCAPA Conference

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San José, California



AICP Certification Maintenance Program

Keep a record of the sessions and mobile workshops you attend at this conference. Many sessions and mobile workshops will be eligible for Certification Maintenance (CM) credits. However, we do not have confirmation yet as to which ones are eligible.

On April 13, 2007, the AICP Commission approved a plan for certification maintenance. Credits will be given to AICP members for sessions and mobile workshops approved by AICP for the new mandatory AICP Certification Maintenance Program that will begin on January 1, 2008. You will be able to log your credits online through the National APA website after it is launched on October 25, 2007.

The California Chapter will notify CCAPA members by e-mail and through the newsletter when the online system is accessible. It is currently being modified in preparation for the new Certification Maintenance Program. The existing voluntary AICP Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Program has been discontinued. Eligible credits gained under the current CPD system on or after April 14, 2007 will be carried over into the CM logging system. Certified planners who have valid CPD certificates are exempt from CM requirements through the end of the calendar year in which the certificate expires or until December 31, 2009, whichever comes first. Starting January 1, 2010, all AICP members will be responsible for meeting CM requirements.

Certification Maintenance (CM) Requirements for Certified Planners

Within each two-year period, AICP certified planners will be required to engage in at least 32 credits of eligible professional development activities. Each two-year period begins on January 1. No minimum number of credits need be logged per year so long as 32 qualifying credits are logged in during each two-year reporting period. A four-month grace period, beyond the two-year reporting cycle, may be used to complete the Certification Maintenance credit requirements. Any credits used in a grace period cannot be double counted towards the next reporting cycle. A maximum of 16 excess credits can be carried over to the next reporting cycle. If AICP Certification Maintenance requirements are not met within four years, an AICP member will lose AICP certification and will be obliged to seek recertification in order to retain the AICP credential. For additional information, please go to www.planning.org/cm.

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