



ICOR Earns ANSI Accreditation for its Certificate Programs

Press Release

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Lombard, IL USA - - The International Consortium for Organizational Resilience (ICOR), an international non-profit education and credentialing organization, has successfully earned accreditation by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) for four of its education programs. ANSI's Certificate Accreditation Program (CAP) accredits a wide range of organizations that issue education and training certificates internationally.

To learn more about the value of the ANSI CAP program and to view other education programs currently accredited by ANSI visit the [ANSI website](#).

The four ICOR education programs achieving accreditation by ANSI include:

1. BCM 5000: [Auditing BCM Programs for PS Prep Certification](#)
2. BCM 4050: [The Business Continuity Maturity Model Assessor's Training](#)
3. CMC 2050: [Crisis Communications Planner](#)
4. SCRM 2000: [Supply Chain Risk Mitigation](#)

The ANSI accreditation of the ICOR courses is significant and directly impacts those organizations interesting in pursuing PS Prep certification. The Department of Homeland Security / Federal Emergency Management Agency (DHS/FEMA) Voluntary Private Sector Accreditation and Certification Preparedness Program (PS-Prep) requires that trained auditors working for certification bodies be accredited by ANAB (ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board).

In order to be certified under PS-Prep an organization must be audited by a 3rd party auditor approved by ANAB. In order to be approved by ANAB, the auditing body must have completed a course that is accredited. ***ICOR's BCM 5000 course is the only auditor course accredited by ANSI.***

- **BCM 5000: Auditing BCM Programs for PS Prep Certification:** 5 day course designed for internal auditors, certifying bodies, and those interested in preparing for a 3rd party audit of their organization's Business Continuity Management System (BCMS). BCM 5000 is an auditor preparation course that teaches auditors the core components of a BCMS along with how to conduct an audit against all three standards approved for PS Prep certification: ASIS SPC.1: 2009, BS 25999-2: 2007,

and NFPA 1600: 2010.

Internal auditors and BCM professionals will benefit from taking the same course as the 3rd party auditors complete - learn what the auditors auditing your program are learning so that your program is ready for auditing!

Successful completion of the course and exam results in a designation as a BCMS Auditor [Download the Brochure](#)

Register for BCM 5000 being offered August 22-26, 2011 in Chicago, IL, and October 3-7, 2011 in Orlando or Tampa Bay. [Register](#)

- **BCM 4050: Business Continuity Maturity Model(R) Assessor's Training:** 2 day course with a focus on both benchmarking and auditing your current BCM program against recognized standards - BS 25999, ASIS-SPC.1, and NFPA 1600. BCM professionals can use this training to both analyze their program in order to determine gaps for program improvement as well as to prepare for an internal or external audit against one or more of the 3 standards listed above. Assessor Exam is included in the course and successful passing of exam allows assessors access to the Business Continuity Maturity Model(R) proprietary model and the designation of a BCMM(R) Assessor. [Download the Brochure](#)

Register for upcoming BCM 4050 courses [Register](#)

- **CMC 2050: Crisis Communications Planner:** 2 day course that provides the foundation for developing a crisis communication plan. Attendees will learn how to prepare the organization for inevitable threats to reputation, execute the crisis communications plan, then, when the crisis has passed, assess and do what must be done before the next threats occur. Successful completion of the course exercises and case study exam results in a certificate as a Crisis Communications Planner. [Download the Brochure](#)

Register for upcoming CMC 2050 courses [Register](#)

- **SCRM 2000: Supply Chain Risk Mitigation:** A two week live online course designed to ensure that all students have a complete understanding of the inter-dependant functions of supply chain management with an emphasis on operating in today's global environment. It highlights how traditional supply chain management decisions are made and the risks that companies are now facing regarding the potential disruption to the expected performance and the financial consequences if supply chain disruptions occur. The class concludes by focusing on the primary ways to create mitigation strategies that can be applied to add resiliency to the operation without necessarily adding additional operating costs. Successful completion of the essay exam and discussion questions results in a certificate as a Supply Chain Risk Associate. [Download the Brochure](#)

Register for upcoming SCRM 2000 course offered October 3 - 14 [Register](#)

About ICOR - - Embedding Culture and Systems of Organizational Resilience ICOR (www.theICOR.org) , headquartered in Lombard, IL USA, is an international non-profit professional development and credentialing organization that provides professional development, certification, thought-leadership, and the latest in research and industry trends in the disciplines that support organizational resilience.

ICOR addresses the evolving needs of business, government, non-governmental agencies, and society to improve their resiliency and viability as individual organizations and within the larger community.

To learn more about ICOR courses, PS-Prep Certification, or to answer any other questions, please contact Lynnda Nelson at Lynnda@theicor.org or by phone at 866-765-8321 or +1630-705-0910 or visit our website at www.theicor.org.

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