Certified Physician Executive (CPE) credential opens doors in today’s competitive health care leadership field. Adding CPE to your resume indicates that you’ve reached a superior level of excellence in medical management with the education, expertise and demonstrated skills to effectively lead health care organizations in today’s challenging market.

CPE is the certification of choice for physician executives. Endorsed by the American Association for Physician Leadership®, the credential is the benchmark for CEOs and executive recruiters seeking the most accomplished and influential health care leaders.

There’s no better way to set yourself apart, gain prestige and advance your career.

Who We Are

The national certifying body for physicians specializing in medical management is the Certifying Commission in Medical Management (CCMM). The Certifying Commission is a not for-profit corporation chartered by the American Association for Physician Leadership® to establish and maintain the highest standards for certification of physician executives.

CPE Eligibility

CPE eligibility is limited to physician executives of the highest caliber. The credential is awarded by the CCMM based on the four criteria below. For full details, visit ccm.org.

- **PROFESSIONAL STATUS**—Candidates are evaluated on:
  - Medical Training
  - Licensure
  - Practice Experience
  - Board Certification

- **EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT**—Candidates must have one of the following:
  - **150 hours of management education** — includes 116 hours of tested required courses and 34 hours of tested elective courses provided by the association (see CPE Course Completion Chart at ccm.org/cpechart).
  - **Graduate management degree** — MBA, MMM, MHA, MS in Management.

- **EXPERIENCE**—Candidates must have at least one year of medical management experience

- **SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION**—of the 3½-day CPE Capstone Program
  - Certification programs are held three times each year. Visit ccm.org for upcoming dates.
  - Before enrolling in the program, you must complete the online CPE application and submit the required information.

Application Process and Required Documents

Applicants who meet all of the eligibility requirements will become CPE candidates and be scheduled to attend the CPE Capstone.

To apply, complete the application at ccm.org/CPE. For a list of the additional documents required to apply, please visit the website. There is a non-refundable CPE application fee of $150. The CPE Certification Program fee is $3,000, but is not due until approval of your application.

Upon receipt of your application, required documents and application fee, the CCMM Credentials Committee will evaluate your application. You will be notified by email of the CCMM Certification Committee’s decision within approximately two weeks after submitting all required and complete information.

CPE Capstone

Participation in the full CPE Certification Program is required—and the final step to achieving the CPE designation.

This 3½-day, 32 CME program goes beyond a written-exam-only approach and includes video practice sessions that focus on management techniques and skill improvement.

Certification Presentations before Assessment Panel: The final step in the program is a verbal video-recorded presentation to a panel of health care leaders.

Diplomate status in the American Association for Physician Leadership® is automatically granted to all CPEs.

For full details, visit [ccm.org](https://ccm.org) or call 800-562-8088.

I believe that the CPE puts the final touches on your skills as a leader of your organization. After completing my MBA, the rigorous coaching of the CPE course helped not only to sharpen my abilities as a physician leader, but also build strong relationships with physician leaders from all over the country.

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