

The following information provides Office of Long-Term Living (OLTL) providers with information pertinent regarding The National Association of People Supporting Employment, Certified Employment Support Professional (CESP) credentialing or certification.

In order to be a provider of OLTL employment services (Employment Skills Development, Job Coaching, Job Finding and Career Assessment), providers must obtain either CESP credentialing or CESP certification from the Association of Community Rehabilitation Educators (ACRE). A complete description of these services and provider qualifications can be found at:

<http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/healthcaremedicalassistance/supportserviceswaivers/index.htm>.

The National Association of People Supporting Employment has provided the information below:

October 2019 Testing: October 7-18
Testing Sites in all 50 States!

**APPLY
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Application open through September 30
apse.smapply.org



Who Should Take The CESP™ Exam?

Job Coaches | Job Developers | Transition Employment Specialists | Job Placement Specialists | Employment Specialists/Consultants | Employment Managers and/or Directors

What is the examination fee? \$199 (including a \$40 nonrefundable application fee)

Where will I take the exam? At a local testing center. You first fill out the APSE application, but testing center availability is on a first-come, first-served basis. [You can look up all locations here](#) (select certification, then sponsor organization "APSE").

A PDF version of a map lists testing locations, although it is subject to change. [Click here for PDF map](#).

What is CESP™ Certification?

- CESP™ certification is a national credential for **Employment Support Professionals** who assist people with disabilities in finding and maintaining regular, community-based employment.
 - The CESP™ credential is earned by passing a comprehensive examination based on **national standardized competencies**.
 - CESP™ certification is a complement to **program** certification and licensing, demonstrating a higher level of professionalism
 - The CESP™ certification is a national, **portable, individual credential** that remains valid for 3 years and requires re-certification.
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Application Q&A Webinars:

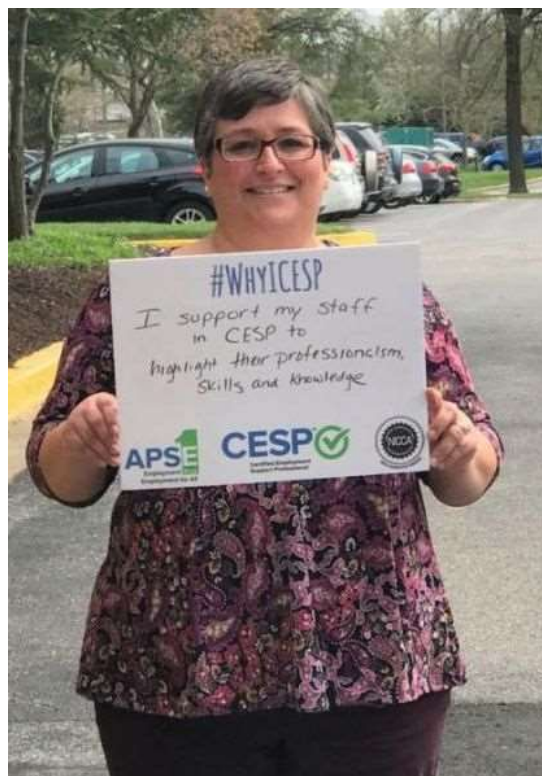
September 19, Noon-1 p.m. EST
September 24, 11 a.m.-Noon EST

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"I support my staff in CESP to highlight their **professionalism**, skills, and knowledge."

Marianne Durrant, Director of Employment Alliance and Center for Human Services Education Heritage Christian Services tells us #WhyICESP

Questions?
Check our [FAQs](#) or email cesp@apse.org



What are the Benefits of the CESP™ Credential?

- increases the visibility of competent staff (Employment Support Professionals - ESPs).
- creates a standard that defines the roles and responsibilities of ESPs.
- improves employability and provides opportunities for salary and career advancement.
- legitimizes and enhances professionalism in the field.

Become a member of a **rapidly growing, elite group** of professionals focused on supporting **competitive, integrated employment!**

Eligibility Requirements: Education, Experience, and Code of Conduct attestation. [Learn more here.](#)

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CESP Practice Test

Created by the APSE Professional Development Committee, this 11-question practice test can help candidates prepare for the Certified Employment Support Professional certification.

PRACTICE TEST

The CESP™ certification is open to all employment professionals who meet the eligibility criteria. APSE membership is not required for applicants to sit for the examination.

The CESP™ examination was designed to test the application of knowledge and skills one uses in their role as an employment professional. Since the CESP™ certification is based on national guidelines to validate and support the training in the field, the ESPCC does not recommend or endorse a study guide or test preparation program. Any coursework or training that contributes to professional development would be beneficial, but not necessary, while preparing to take the exam. By taking this practice test, APSE does not endorse or imply that these preparatory materials are the best, or the only means for preparing adequately for the certification examination. There is no advantage given to candidates who participate in this practice test.

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