



CLINICAL RESEARCH PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

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What is Certification?

ACRP's certification is **formal recognition** of clinical research professionals worldwide who have met the professional eligibility requirements and who have demonstrated a basic level of job-related knowledge and skills.

It is granted in recognition of documented and verified work experience and after successful performance on a multiple-choice exam.

How were the Certification Exams Developed?

Certification exams were developed with the assistance of a professional testing organization. (AMP). The Exam Committees (one for CCRC, one for CRA) identify areas of competency for testing, develop appropriate test questions, and have the exams validated. In 2000 the European CCRI Exam Committee was formed in order to develop and fit an exam to the needs in ICH regions for clinical investigators.

Reliability Measurements

After every certification exam, ACRP's CRA Exam Committee

1. Reviews the results with the assistance of AMP, one of the testing industry's leading firms.
2. Each item is analysed for appropriate psychometric characteristics.
3. Those items with poor statistical results are reviewed by the Exam Committee to ensure that they have been scored properly.
4. Participant feedback, both on the exam and with regards to specific items are also reviewed and taken into consideration for future exams.

Benefits of Certification

- Certification is increasingly recognized by today's global clinical research industry.
- Major CROs and pharmaceutical companies now encourage CRA certification.
- Certification assists the public, healthcare professionals and the industry itself by identifying standards for professional practice.

THREE CATEGORIES OF CERTIFICATION EXAM: Which one should you take?

1. Clinical Physician Investigator (CPI)

A Clinical Trial Investigator, regardless of job title, works at a clinical research site as the investigator whose research activities are conducted under Good Clinical Practices (GCP), local and/or FDA regulations and ICH guidelines.

2. Clinical Research Associate (CRA)

A sponsor or CRO employs the Clinical Research Associate (may include professionals ranging from monitors to project directors). A CRA is independent of the investigative staff conducting the research at the site or institution, and is not generally employed or supervised by the investigative site or institution.

3. Clinical Research Coordinator (CRC)

A Clinical Research Coordinator, Study Site Research Nurse, or Study Site Coordinator, works at the clinical site under the immediate direction of the investigator, whose research activities are conducted under Good Clinical Practice regulations.

Website: <http://www.acrpnet.org/certification/ich/australia.html>

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EXAM REVIEW COURSES

About the Certification Exam Review Courses (CRA and CRC only)

CRA & CRC certification exam review courses are offered to prepare candidates for the certification exams. Review courses help you assess your level of preparation and familiarity with important regulatory references as well as global clinical practice.

Who Should Attend?

ACRP's exam review courses are designed for CRAs and CRCs involved in the conduct of clinical research who meet the eligibility requirements for the certification examination. Participants should plan to sit for the certification examination within a year of taking the exam review course.

Purpose of Each Certification Exam Review Course

Examination requisite experience → presumed to know the basics of the job. Thus, the purpose of each exam review course is to help prospective candidates

- understand the format and rationale of the exam design
- assess their level of preparation and
- identify regulatory information resources.

CRA Exam Review Course Outline

Exam Review Objectives
 What is Certification?
 Mock Exam
 Project Activities
 Pre-study Activities
 Study Management
 Study Termination
 Study Reference Material

CRC Exam Review Course Outline

Exam Review Objectives
 What is Certification?
 Mock Exam
 Pre-study Activities
 Patient responsibilities
 Study Conduct
 Study Close-out
 Study Reference Material

Course in collaboration with



EXAM FEES (AUD incl GST)

| | <u>CPI</u> | <u>CRA</u> | <u>CRC</u> |
|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Member Exam | 685.00 | 575.00 | 535.00 |
| Non-Member Exam | 880.00 | 770.00 | 726.00 |
| Exam Review Course | | 440.00 | 440.00 |
| Exam Prep Package | 230.00 | 230.00 | 230.00 |
| Membership | 150.00USD | 60.00USD | 60.00USD |

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