
TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION OF PEOPLE

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Value of Certification Program

NMRC's Training and Certification Program has brought...

- Standardized knowledge in our sector amongst our operators and managers
- Increased professionalism in the field to include safety best practices training and state regulations
- An avenue to provide our professionals with a well-rounded education in their field
- Networking, partnerships and collaborations

Certification Program Value to NMRC

- Certified professionals in NM
- Supports the mission of our organization
- Serves as an additional member benefit and retains members
- Complement and extension of existing trainings and conference, which offer re-certification opportunities
- Recurring revenue source
- Creates a larger audience for advocacy



National Certification Vision

- All states would offer certification program
 - Ensure program relevancy and create national significance, **we need all states to get on board**
- EPA supports national certification
- All professionals are certified and trained professionally
- States either require or prefer certified professionals at facilities
- Professional certification required as part of job descriptions
- National funding created to support state/regional level development of certification programs

We Are Here to Help

- Support with mentoring, program development and sample training curriculum available
- Soliciting Letters of Interest from states – accompany NRC funding requests for new program development
- NRC Campus Council and the National Standards Certification Board are committed to assist states and regions
- Hosting entity could be a state Recycling Organization, state Environmental Department, regional organization
- Roundtable Dinner Tonight: **Professional Certification and Workforce Development Roundtable**, hosted by Joanne Shafer and English Bird



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