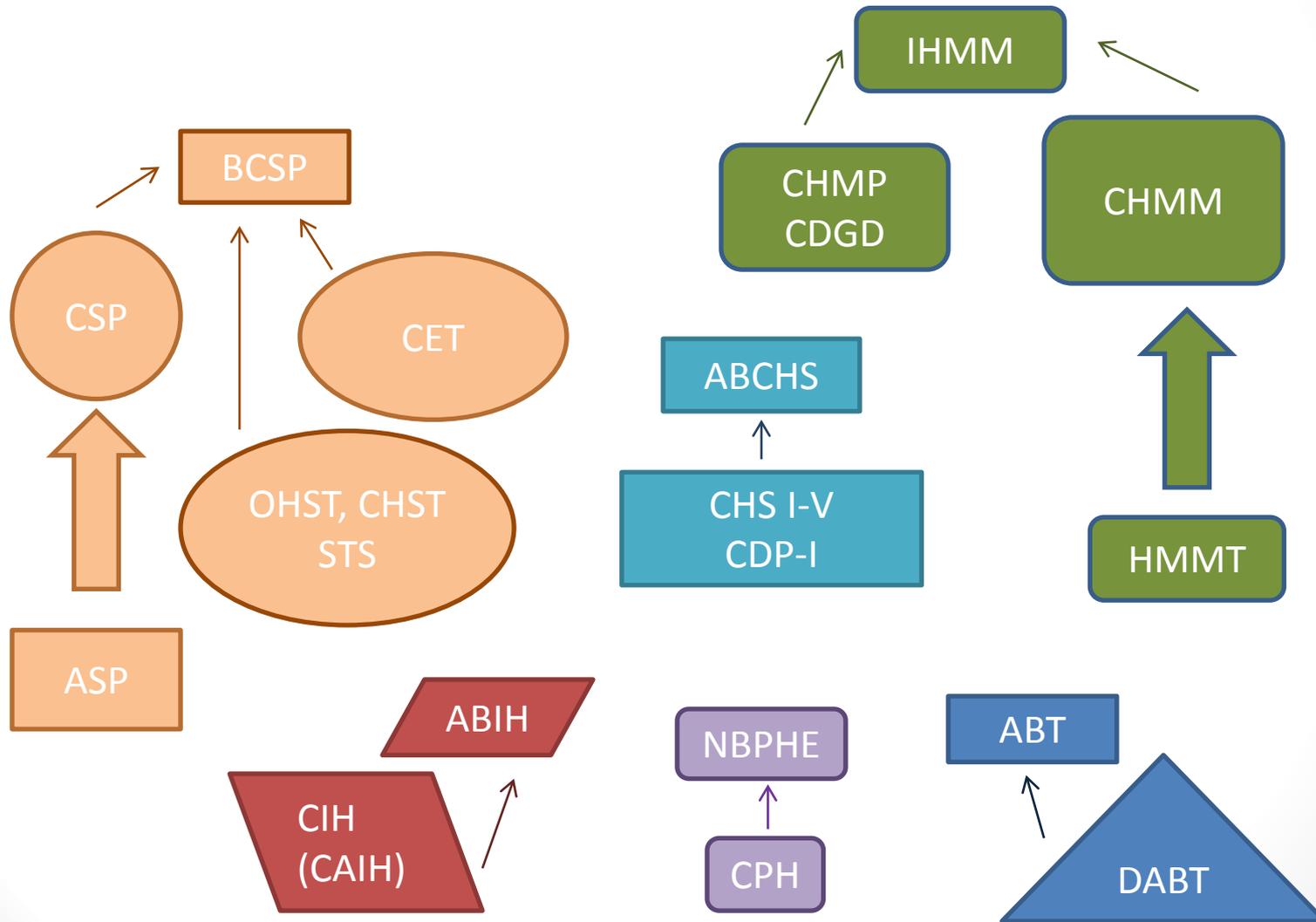


Certification Programs for OSH Professionals

Program directors

Trainers

It is an alphabet soup



What are these certifying groups?

- BCSP - 1969
 - Board of Certified Safety Professionals
 - Certified Safety Professionals (CSP/ASP), Technologists (OHST, CHST), Supervisors (STS), Trainers (CET)
- IHMM - 1984
 - Institute of Hazardous Materials Management
 - Managers (CHMM/HMMT) and practitioners (CHMP/CDGP)
- ABIH – early 1962
 - American Board of Industrial Hygiene
 - Industrial Hygienists (CIH/CAIH)
- ABT - 1979
 - American Board of Toxicology
 - Toxicologists (DABT)
- ABCHS – after 2007
 - American Board for Certification in Homeland Security
 - (formerly administered by the American College of Forensic Examiners)
 - Homeland security (CHS I-V) and Disaster preparedness (CDP-I)
- NBPHE - 2008
 - National Board of Public Health
 - Public Health practitioners (CPH)

Why seek a certification?

- External evaluation
 - Skill and knowledge
 - Meet or exceed a standard
 - Promotes continued development
 - Communicates credibility, qualified provider
- Promoted by professional organizations
 - Industrial Hygiene (AIHA, ACGIH)
 - Safety (ASSE)
 - Public Health (APHA)
 - Hazardous Materials (IHMM)
- Employer recognition
- Ethical code of conduct monitored

Benefits/Importance

- To participants
 - Program credibility
 - Certification maintenance increases
 - Relevance
 - Timeliness
- To trainer
 - Member of identified group achieving certification
- To program
 - Program credibility

What are general requirements for certification?

- Education
 - Document with transcript or diploma
 - Varies from GED to College
 - Specific Major or courses may be specified
- Experience
 - Number of years
 - Percent of time in relevant duties
 - Documented by employer (or audit for % of applicants)
 - Sometimes offsets education
- References to document employment/experience

Some specifics

Certification	Cost	Education	Experience
CSP	Apply: \$160 Exam: \$350 Renew:\$160	AS Safety or BS/BA Other	Professional level Primary part of job
CHST	Apply: \$140 Exam: \$300 Renew:\$120	HS, GED	3 years construction 35% safety
		AS	2 years construction 35% safety
		ABET AS	1 year construction 35% safety
CET	Apply: \$140 Exam: \$300 Renew:\$120	HS, GED	BCSP credential 270 training delivery
CHMM	Apply: \$175 Exam: \$360 Renew:\$140	BS hazmat, science or related	4 years relevant
CHS IV	Exam: \$425 (Member)	Level III FEMA IS-100.B (IC) FEMA IS-700.A (NIMS) FEMA IS-800.B (NRF)	2 years relevant
CIH	Apply: \$150 Exam: \$350 Renew:\$125	BS in specific fields Or 60 hours science 180 acad. or 240 CE hours 2 hours ethics training	4 years (or less if MS) Eval. specific exposures

Alignment with NIEHS Minimum Criteria

- 8.1 Characteristics of Excellence
 - 8.1.1. Accuracy
 - Prepared and reviewed by qualified personnel
 - Updated
 - ✓ Applied by appropriately qualified and experienced individuals
 - Employ appropriate training techniques (CET only)
 - 8.1.2 Credibility
 - Instructional staff is
 - ✓ experienced in knowledge/skills delivered
 - establishing peer relationship
 - 'reality check' relevancy feedback is in place

Alignment with NIEHS Minimum Criteria (2)

- 9.3.3 Instructional staff competency
 - ✓ Documents relevant experience
 - Successful completion of courses to be taught
 - ✓ Content, but format may differ
 - Successful completion of TTT
 - Annual evaluation of instructional competence
- Maintain competency by
 - ✓ CE or professional development programs
 - Successful completion of annual instructor refresher training
 - Re-certified by Training Director before annual competency review

Resources and Acronyms

- BCSP--Board of Certified Safety Professionals
- <http://www.bccsp.org/>
 - CSP—Certified Safety Professional
 - ASP—Associate Safety Professional
 - OHST—Occupational Health and Safety Technologist
 - CHST—Construction Safety and Health Technologist
 - STS—Safety Trained Supervisor
 - CET—Certified Environmental Trainer
- ABIH—American Board of Industrial Hygiene
<http://www.abih.org/>
 - CIH—Certified Industrial Hygienist
 - CAIH—Certified Associate Industrial Hygienist (no longer given)

Resources and Acronyms (2)

- IHMM—Institute of Hazardous Materials Management
- <http://www.ihmm.org/>
 - CHMM—Certified Hazardous Materials Manager
 - HMMT—Hazardous Materials Manager-in-Training
 - CHMP—Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner
 - CDGP—Certified Dangerous Goods Professional
- ABCHS—American Board for Certification in Homeland Security
- <http://www.abchs.com/>
 - CHS I-V—Certified Homeland Security (five levels)
 - CDP-I – Certified in Disaster Preparedness

Resources and Acronyms (3)

- NBPHE—National Board of Public Health Examiners
- <http://www.nbphe.org/>
 - CPH—Certified in Public Health
- ABT—American Board of Toxicology
- <http://www.abtox.org/HomePage.aspx>
 - DABT—Diplomat, American Board of Toxicology