

**1. Is there a prerequisite for the CHP course?**

There is no prerequisite for the CHP course. This course is the first level of HIPAA Certification.

**2. Who is the target audience for the CHP course and CHP certification?**

- ✓ HIPAA Privacy, Security, and Compliance Officers and team members
- ✓ IT professionals servicing the healthcare industry
- ✓ Chief Information Officers of Covered Entities
- ✓ Healthcare executives
- ✓ Insurance executives
- ✓ Clinical trial organization executives
- ✓ Clinical physicians and office managers
- ✓ Healthcare quality assurance and risk managers
- ✓ Pharmaceutical company executives and HIPAA compliance staff
- ✓ Lawyers in the healthcare arena

**3. Can I earn Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for taking this course?**

Yes, upon successful completion of the course, you will earn 16 CEUs.

**4. How is the CHP course offered?**

We offer the CHP course in three ways:

- ✓ Virtual
- ✓ Online
- ✓ Public Class
- ✓ Private Class

**5. What is the cost of the CHP course?**

- ✓ Virtual inclusive of exam - \$1,995
- ✓ Online course and exam - \$1,495
- ✓ Public Class and exam - \$1,995
- ✓ Private Class and exam - \$1,995 per student

**6. How do I register for the CHP course?**

To register for a CHP course and pay by credit card, visit our [Online Store](#). If you wish to pay by check, please email [Audra.Curtis@ecfirst.com](mailto:Audra.Curtis@ecfirst.com) to request an invoice.

**7. If I'm registered for an instructor-led course, when will I receive my training materials?**

Access to training materials in the ecfirst Academy Portal is delivered by email a week before the class. Access to the Academy Portal is for 90 days post-class.

**8. What is the time allowed to take the CHP exam after attending the class?**

The exam can be taken within 90 days of the virtual class start date.

**9. If I'm registered for the online course, how will I receive my access?**

Access to the course will be given within 24 hours of your purchase. You will receive an email with your login credentials for the Academy Portal, and you will have access for 180 days. You have 180 days to complete the exam as well.

**10. After passing the certification exam, how soon will I receive my certification?**

You will receive a digital copy of your certificate within five (5) business days. If you do not receive your certification within five (5) business days, please email [Audra.Curtis@ecfirst.com](mailto:Audra.Curtis@ecfirst.com).

**11. If I don't pass the exam, can I retake it?**

Yes, if you do not pass the CHP certification exam, you can retake the exam online. The cost for a retake exam is \$395. [Register here](#) for a retake exam, or email [Audra.Curtis@ecfirst.com](mailto:Audra.Curtis@ecfirst.com).

**12. Do I need to renew my CHP certification?**

Your CHP certification is valid for three (3) years. The HIPAA Academy will notify you when your renewal is approaching. Recertification fees are \$795 **(effective from January 1, 2025)**. With this, you will receive an updated copy of the CHP manual and a new certificate valid for three (3) years.

**13. What happens if I don't renew my CHP certification within the three-year period?**

If you do not renew your certification within three (3) years of your certification date, you are required to retake the CHP class for the renewal fee of \$795. **(effective from January 1, 2025)**.

**14. How can the HIPAA Academy and ecfirst help my organization with our HIPAA Security compliance?**

HIPAA Academy and ecfirst can help you with the following services:

- ✓ Privacy and Security Risk Assessment
- ✓ Cybersecurity Assessment
- ✓ Security Policies templates
- ✓ Remediation and implementation
- ✓ Contingency planning and implementation
- ✓ HIPAA Audit

**15. Do I need the Certified HIPAA Administrator™ (CHA™) certification?**

If you are planning to pursue CHP certification, you do not need the CHA™ certification, as it is a subset of CHP. CHA™ only covers the Privacy Rule, and the CHP covers both privacy and security.

**16. How will this certification enhance my skills?**

Comprehensive training and certification in HIPAA regulations provide a solid foundation to quickly identify potential violations of HIPAA regulations and a solid knowledge of how to correct deficiencies.

**17. How will this certification benefit my employer?**

Employers will realize fewer potential loss incidents from HIPAA violations when employees are more thoroughly trained in the regulations. Additionally, patients will have greater confidence in a healthcare provider's ability to protect their personal information.

**18. Will this certification help me in a job search?**

Certification can provide a distinguishing factor for potential employers in the healthcare technology industry. The credential can be used after your name upon passing the exam.

**1. What is the CSCS™ program all about?**

The Certified Security Compliance Specialist™ (CSCS™) is a unique program of its kind in the compliance and security industry and the first of its type in the world. It is laser-beam focused on thoroughly examining compliance requirements and establishing best practices.

This program is designed to enable professionals to understand, prioritize, and ultimately, assist organizations in achieving compliance with information security-based regulations.

**2. Is there a prerequisite for the CSCS™ program?**

There is no prerequisite for the program; however, you must attend the two-day training session delivered by ecfirst of one of its Authorized Partners and pass the exam or pass the online exam to receive certification.

**3. Who is the target audience for the CSCS™ program?**

- ✓ Compliance professionals and managers
- ✓ Information Security Officers
- ✓ Security practitioners
- ✓ Privacy Officers
- ✓ Senior IT professionals

**4. What are the major areas the CSCS™ program covers?**

This is the first and only program in the world that provides a comprehensive treatment of major information and security regulations and standards. You can expect to learn and understand the core requirements of these regulations following completion of the program:

- ✓ ISO Standards, including 27001, 27002, 27799
- ✓ PCI DSS
- ✓ FISMA
- ✓ NIST Standards
- ✓ U.S State Regulations on Information Security

**5. Can I earn Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for taking this course?**

Yes, upon successful completion of the course, you may earn 16 CEUs.

**6. How is the CSCS™ program offered?**

You can complete the CSCS™ program Online only, at this time.

**7. What is the cost of the CSCS™ program?**

- ✓ Online class and exam - \$1,495

**8. How do I register for the CSCS™ program?**

To register for a CSCS™ program and pay by credit card, visit our [Online Store](#). If you wish to pay by check, please email [Audra.Curtis@ecfirst.com](mailto:Audra.Curtis@ecfirst.com) to request an invoice. When you purchase an online class, the exam is included. This allows you online access to the exam for up to six months.

**9. After passing the certification exam, how soon will I receive my certification?**

You will receive a digital copy of your certificate within five (5) business days. If you do not receive your certification within 30 days, please email [Audra.Curtis@ecfirst.com](mailto:Audra.Curtis@ecfirst.com).

**10. How many times are we allowed to take the initial exam if we don't pass on the first try?**

The Certification Exam access is authorized for a one-time, single use, for each purchase. If you have failed and want to retake the exam, you can purchase an authorization for access to retake from our website at [www.ecfirst.biz](http://www.ecfirst.biz) and select "Retake". There is no limit to how many retake exams you may purchase.

**11. What are the requirements at the time of renewal?**

We do not require any additional CEUs for renewal. You may renew your certificate through our website at [www.ecfirst.biz](http://www.ecfirst.biz). With your renewal order, you will receive an updated manual and a new certificate renewed for another 3 years.

**12. What happens if I don't renew my CSCS™ certification within the three-year period?**

If you do not renew your certification within three years of your certification date, you are required to retake the CSCS™ course for the renewal fee of \$795. **(effective from Jan 1, 2025).**

**13. How will this certification enhance my skills?**

Comprehensive training and certification in the CSCS™ program provides a solid foundation to quickly identify potential violations of compliance regulations and a solid knowledge of how to correct problems.

**14. How will this certification benefit my employer?**

Employers will realize potential loss incidents from information security violations when employees are more thoroughly trained in the regulations.

**15. Will this certification help me in a job search?**

Certification can provide a distinguishing factor for potential employers in the information technology industry. The program prepares you to examine the world's leading standards for information security and compliance. You can apply for jobs that require knowledge of key security standards and compliance mandates. The credential can be used upon passing the exam.

## 1. Brief explanation of the CCSA<sup>SM</sup> Program.

The Certified Cyber Security Architect<sup>SM</sup> (CCSA<sup>SM</sup>) is a unique program of its type in the compliance and security industry - indeed, *the first of its type in the world*. This program validates knowledge and skill sets to examine, build a practical and applicable cybersecurity program for an organization.

## 2. What are the major areas CCSA<sup>SM</sup> Program covers?

- ✓ Examine how to establish a cybersecurity program based on the NIST Cybersecurity Framework.
- ✓ Step through key areas that must be addressed in a credible incident response plan.
- ✓ Walk through core components, organization, and CMMC Maturity Levels. Examine CMMC domains and CMMC capabilities required for organizations.

## 3. What are the credentials of the CCSA<sup>SM</sup> Program?

The CCSA<sup>SM</sup> credential is a job-role-based designation. This program is designed to enable professionals to understand, prioritize, and ultimately assist organizations in achieving compliance with information security-based regulations.

## 4. What is the prerequisite for the CCSA<sup>SM</sup> course?

It is strongly recommended that the candidate pass a major security certification exam such as CISSP, CISA or CISM, CSCS<sup>TM</sup>, or have equivalent knowledge and experience.

## 5. Who is the target audience for the CCSA<sup>SM</sup> certification?

The complete one-day CCSA<sup>SM</sup> program is of value to compliance professionals and managers, information security officers, security practitioners, privacy officers, and senior IT professionals.

## 6. How can I study for my CCSA<sup>SM</sup> certification?

Please visit the ecfirst [Online Store](#). Once you purchase the online class and exam, you will have access to the training material for 6 months.

## 7. My busy schedule does not allow me to attend instructor-led training for CCSA<sup>SM</sup>. How can I prepare for the CCSA<sup>SM</sup> exam?

You may purchase our online class and exam. Please visit the ecfirst [Online Store](#).

## 8. What is the cost of CCSA<sup>SM</sup> exam?

\$795.

## 9. What is a CCSA<sup>SM</sup> exam voucher?

You do not have to purchase a CCSA<sup>SM</sup> exam voucher. When you purchase the online class, the exam is included.

## 10. What is the exam retake policy for CCSA<sup>SM</sup>?

If the candidate does not pass the CCSA<sup>SM</sup> certification examination, he or she may register to retake the certification examination online for \$395. Please visit [the Online Store](#) and Select "Retake". There is no limit to how many retake exams you may purchase.

## 11. How long is the CCSA<sup>SM</sup> certificate credential valid for?

The certificate credential is valid for three (3) years from the date you took the exam.

**12. What are the requirements at the time of renewal?**

We do not require any additional CEUs for renewal. You may renew your certificate through our website at [www.ecfirst.biz](http://www.ecfirst.biz). With your renewal order, you will receive an updated manual and a new certificate renewed for another 3 years.

**13. After passing the exam, when will I receive the certification?**

You will receive a digital copy of your exam within five (5) business days.

**14. How will this CCSA<sup>SM</sup> certification help me in finding a job?**

Certification in CCSA<sup>SM</sup> can provide a distinguishing factor for potential employees in the Information Technology industry. The exam validates knowledge, and skill sets in cyber security with particular focus and emphasis on the development of an applicable cyber security incident response and an enterprise cyber security program. The person can apply for jobs that require knowledge of key security standards and compliance mandates.

**15. How will this certification benefit my employer?**

Employers will realize fewer potential loss incidents from Information Security violations when employees are more thoroughly trained in the regulations.