

CPS - Credentialed Prevention Specialist

CREDENTIALED PREVENTION SPECIALIST

NYSOASAS requires CPS exam applicants to complete 100 hours of classroom instruction, which must be apportioned among three distinct categories described below.

CATEGORY I. 50 Clock Hours Related to Knowledge of Alcohol and Substance Abuse at all Age Levels and Among People of Diverse Backgrounds and Cultures

Examples of appropriate education and training in this Section include:

- Basic Knowledge: Physical and Pharmacological Effects
- Diversity of Intervention and Treatment Approaches
- Knowledge of 12-Step and Mutual Aid Groups
- Cultural Diversity
- Special Populations

CATEGORY II. 38 Prevention-Specific Clock Hours Related to the Performance Domains (Areas of Professional Expertise)

Examples of appropriate education and training in this Section include:

- Planning and Evaluation
- Education and Skill Development
- Community Organization
- Public and Organizational Policy
- Professional Growth and Responsibility
- Systems Approach to Prevention, Principles and Practices

CATEGORY III. 12 Clock Hours Related to Ethical Responsibilities

(This category is equal to 12 hours of category IV of the CASAC)

All 12 clock hours in this category must be focused on Individual and Program Ethics

****NOTE: THERE IS NO CATEGORY IV FOR THE CPS; ONLY I, II, AND III.**

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