

Benefits of National CPS Certification

Why become a nationally certified CPS Technician?

- Portable – same credential accepted from state to state
- Information network (CPS Express, Tech Update)
- Serves as a platform to keep raising standards for product development, regulations, policies
- Information is disseminated using a neutral platform: everyone gets the same information to obtain new information
- Offers a mechanism to deal with “rogue” advocates who threaten the safety of children and program liability
- The federal government does not, at this time, recognize self-certification because there is decreased confidence that such a program has been properly implemented, tested or graded.
- Increased protection because national certification has the seal of approval of the federal government
- Absence of such a certification and practicing as a CPST exposes the participant to additional liability

Your certification fee includes:

- Online assistance and features
 - Personal profile
 - On-line testing
 - Step-by-step instructions
 - Frequently Asked Questions
- Weekday toll-free customer assistance
- Quarterly printed newsletter - *Tech Update*
- Monthly e-mail newsletter - *CPS Express!*

Compare the cost of CPST certification with other common certifications/ licensures held by members in the CPS field:

Certification	Cost	Cycle (yrs.)	Cost/yr	Certifying Body
Fingerprint Certification	\$ 20.75	3	\$ 6.92	JCJTC
Pet First Aid	\$ 35.00	3	\$ 11.67	Red Cross
First Aid Basics	\$ 40.00	3	\$ 13.33	Red Cross
Babysitter Training	\$ 45.00	3	\$ 15.00	Red Cross
Child Passenger Safety Technician (re-certification)	\$ 40.00	2	\$ 20.00	Safe Kids Worldwide
EMT-Basic	\$ 45.00	2	\$ 22.50	Department of Health
Paramedic	\$ 55.00	2	\$ 27.50	Department of Health
Child Passenger Safety Technician (initial certification)	\$ 60.00	2	\$ 30.00	Safe Kids Worldwide
Hate Crimes Investigation	\$ 35.00	1	\$ 35.00	JCJTC
Nurse Practitioner	\$ 240.00	5	\$ 48.00	American Academy of Nurse Practitioners
Certified Health Education Specialist	\$ 55.00	1	\$ 55.00	NCHEC
Adult CPR /Infant /Child w/ First Aid	\$ 60.00	1	\$ 60.00	Red Cross
CPR for Professional Rescuer	\$ 65.00	1	\$ 65.00	Red Cross