

# Professional Associations and Organizations That Advocate Performance-Improvement Disciplines

## Legend

F = Free (no membership required)

FR = Free but requires registering a free membership

FP = Free to members who paid for a membership

\$R = Cost money for members (and membership is free)

\$P = Additional fee required for members who paid for membership

\$N = Additional fee for nonmembers

Y = Yes – haven't identified costs

NOTE: This isn't an exclusive list. Organizations may change services, so some of these entries may not be current. All entries are in alphabetical order except for the first three entries.

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<a href="#">International Society for Performance Improvement (ISPI)</a>	F	F	FP	FP	FP	\$P	\$P	F	\$P \$N	\$P	FP \$P	FP	F	Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Has several free videos, member resources, member social networking community, and <a href="#">free monthly newsletter</a> . Offers performance-based certifications. Has several chapters.
<a href="#">Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM)</a>	FP	F	FP	FP	FP	FP	FP	FP	\$P \$N	\$P	FP		F	Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Has several free videos, member resources, member social networking community, and several publications (some free for members and most cost additional fees). Offers HR certifications and training opportunities. Has several chapters.
<a href="#">Association of Talent Development (ATD)</a>	F	F		\$P	FP	FP	FP	F	\$P \$N	\$P	F \$P	FP	F	Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Has great resources about the training industry. Reports are available for purchase (members receive a discount). Has a free training buyer's guide. The Buzz is a searchable executive summary of online blogs, articles, and publications. Offers a variety of certifications and training opportunities. Has several chapters.
<a href="#">American Society for Quality (ASQ)</a>	F	FP	FP		FP	FP	FP	F	\$P \$N	\$P \$N	F \$P	FP	F	Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Has extensive training and certification opportunities. Members have access to the online Quality Body of Knowledge (QBOK®). Has several conference and events. Has more than 250 chapters or "Sections."
<a href="#">American Management Association (AMA)</a>		F FP	F FP	F FP	FP	F \$P	F \$P	F	\$P \$N	\$P \$N	F \$P			Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Has a huge catalog of training events, webinars, books, and much more. Excellent Tweets.

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<a href="#">Project Management Institute (PMI)</a>	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	PMI is well-known for their certifications; they have several local chapters, a substantial knowledge base, and a large library of books, templates, and job aids.
<a href="#">Aberdeen Group</a>	Y		Y	Y		Y	Y	Y						Y	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	Provides benchmarking, best-in-class research summaries, events, surveys, and marketing services. Provides research in several categories including Analytics & Business Intelligence, Human Capital Mgt, and IT Security (to list only three of several).
<a href="#">American Productivity &amp; Quality Center (APQC)</a>	Y		Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			Y	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	Conducts research to identify world-class business practices; also provides benchmarking, advisory services, and corporate education. Their focus services includes finance, human capital mgt, and knowledge management (to list three of several). Offers corporate memberships
<a href="#">Bersin by Deloitte</a>	FP	FP	FP	FP		FP	FP	FP	\$P		FP	FP		Y	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	Topic categories include: human resources, leadership development, learning & development, talent acquisition, talent management, tools & technology, solution library.
<a href="#">Books24x7 (Skillsoft)</a>	FP		FP			FP	FP	FP	\$R	FP	FP	FP		Y	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	Provides eBooks, audiobooks, and book summaries.
<a href="#">Business Process Trends (BP Trends)</a>	FR		FR	FR		FR	FR	FR	\$R	\$R	FR			Y	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>		Has a glossary.
<a href="#">Corporate Executive Board (CEB)</a>	FP		FP	FP		FP	FP	FP	FP	FP	FP	FP		Y	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	Typically, organizations subscribe using an enterprise licensing. Provides consulting, coaching, and custom research services as part of the membership. There are multiple subscriptions based on areas of interest.
<a href="#">Harvard Business Review</a>		FR	FR		\$R	FR	FR	FR			\$R				<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	
<a href="#">Human Capital Institute (HCI)</a>	FR	FR	FR			FR	FR	FR	\$R	\$R	FR	FR		Y	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	<a href="#">Y</a>	Provides training and certifications. Categories include: HR strategy & analytics, talent acquisition, learning & development, and management & leadership

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<a href="#">Human Capital Media</a>															<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	
<a href="#">CLO Magazine</a>	FR	FR	FR	FR	FR	FR	FR	FR	\$R		FR		F	Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Some access is free, but you need to register for full access. Topic categories include: leadership development, learning delivery, management, measurement, performance management, succession planning, and technology
<a href="#">Diversity Executive Magazine</a>															<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	This is part of the Talent Management Magazine website.
<a href="#">Talent Management Magazine</a>	FR	FR	FR	FR	FR	FR	FR	FR	\$R		FR		F	Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Some access is free, but you need to register for full access. Categories include: succession planning, diversity & inclusion, assessment & measurement, technology, learning & development, talent acquisition, compensation & benefits, performance management, strategy & management.
<a href="#">Workforce Magazine</a>	F	FR	F	FR	FR	FR	FR	F	\$R		F		F	Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Has a vendor directory.
<a href="#">Knowledge Management World (KM World)</a>	F	F	F	FR	FR	FR	FR	FR	\$R		FR			Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>		<u>Y</u>	Has a buyers guide and product trends. There are multiple categories (too many to list here).
<a href="#">Manager Tools</a>	F	FR						F	\$R	\$R	\$R			Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Multiple podcasts about management and career development
<a href="#">McKinsey &amp; Company</a>	F		F	F	F			F					Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Job board is specific to the company.
<a href="#">Process Excellence Network (PEX)</a>	F		F	FR		FR	FR	F	\$R	\$R	F			Y	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	Has vendor directory, awards, and glossary. They offer on-demand events from conferences. Categories include: business process management, business transformation, innovation, Lean Six Sigma & business performance, organizational change, and tools & technologies.



