



AHRMM

Association for Healthcare
Resource & Materials Management
of the American Hospital Association

Advancing the Healthcare Supply Chain



Certified Materials & Resource Professional CMRP Certification Program Overview



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A Mark of Distinction

Value of earning the CMRP certification

- Illustrates competency in a defined body of knowledge
- Verifies you are an experienced professional in healthcare materials management
- Demonstrates to employer and others your commitment to ongoing professional development in the practice of healthcare materials and resource management
- Distinguishes you in an increasingly competitive marketplace
- A source of personal pride for the achievement
- A way to express value to your employer

American Hospital Association Certification Center (AHA-CC)

- An independent body affiliated with the AHA
- Governed by a Board of Directors
- Oversees and administers the entire certification program and process
 - Certification exam design, development and delivery
 - Certification program administration policy/process
 - Certification renewal process

American Hospital Association Certification Center (AHA-CC)

- Engages psychometric expertise of **AMP Applied Measurement Professionals, Inc.**
 - Test–item writing and exam development
 - Exam administration
 - Scoring, score reporting, and analysis
 - Job analysis study
- **Manages Certification Program Committee**
 - Serve as content experts
 - Write exam questions
 - Provide program oversight

CMRP Eligibility

- **Requirements**
 - Experienced-based
 - Healthcare-specific for materials management professionals
 - A blend of **FORMAL EDUCATION** and **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**
 - All candidates must fully meet the requirements
- **Membership is not required**

CMRP Eligibility Requirements

- **Baccalaureate degree + 3 years of associated materials management* experience**
- **Associate degree or equivalent + 5 years of associated materials management* experience**
- **High school diploma or equivalent + 7 years of associated materials management* experience.**

* Associated healthcare resource and materials management includes persons who are involved in the materials functions of healthcare facilities; or are active in the healthcare materials supply chain, including manufacturers, vendors, distributors, consultants, and employees of group purchasing organizations.

CMRP Exam Specifications

- **Role delineation/job analysis study completed every 5 years**
 - Keeps exam current and relevant
- **AHRMM membership surveyed**
- **Respondents requested to rate importance of real-world tasks**
- **Results define the exam content outline**
- **Content domains weighted to produce the exam specifications**

CMRP Exam Specifications

- **Composed of 110 multiple-choice questions**
 - 100 scored questions
 - 10 unscored questions, used for data collection
- **Administered over a 2-hour period**
- **Question allocation on exam**
 - Procurement/Product Value Analysis – 25
 - Inventory Distribution Management – 20
 - Information Systems and Data Management – 15
 - Finance – 15
 - Strategic Planning, Leadership and Compliance – 25

Item Difficulty

- Each item is categorized by a cognitive level that a candidate would like use to respond:
 - Recall – ability to recall or recognize specific information
 - Application – ability to comprehend, relate, or apply knowledge to new or changing situations
 - Analysis – the ability to analyze and synthesize information, determine solutions, and/or evaluate the usefulness of a solution

Test Items

- To ensure validity, are written by experienced healthcare resource and materials managers
- Designed to test application of knowledge - not just recall of facts
- To ensure clarity are reviewed by many experts

Examination Administration

- **CMRP Certification Exam is administered by AMP via computer at over 170 secure test centers throughout the U.S. (H&R Block offices)**
- **Scores are confidential**



Examination Administration

- **Eligible candidates submit completed application and payment to AMP**
 - Submit online with credit card payment or by fax or mail
 - Include exam application fee
 - \$275 for AHRMM members
 - \$425 for nonmembers
- **AMP Processes application and contacts candidate to schedule the exam**

CMRP Certification

- **Awarded to eligible candidates receiving a passing score on CMRP certification exam**
 - Scores are confidential
- **AHA Certification Center processes new certificants**
 - Processing time is 4-6 weeks from date of exam
 - Designation added to member record
 - Package mailed
 - Letter of accomplishment
 - Certificate of achievement
 - CMRP Pin
 - Certification Renewal information
 - Employer Notification Form

Distinguish Yourself

Over 1,200 materials management professionals have received the CMRP designation since 2000.

This number continues to grow every month!

Distinguish Yourself

Successful candidates are recognized at AHRMM's Annual Conference & Exhibition each year!

The AHA-CC sends you a certificate of achievement and letter of accomplishment to your employer upon request.

FAQs

- **How is the CMRP certification different from AHRMM's Fellow program (FAHRMM)?**
 - The AHA-CC is independent of AHRMM and administers the certification.
 - CMRP is a nationally recognized credential for the materials management profession.
 - Passing the CMRP illustrated competency of a well-defined body of knowledge

FAQs

- **How is the CMRP certification different from AHRMM's Fellow program (continued)?**
 - FAHRMM status is presented to Certified Senior or CMRP members in good standing with AHRMM who've met specified achievement criteria, and have submitted an acceptable, original unpublished paper on a current aspect of materials management.
 - FAHRMM requirements are designed so that those who apply and attain this level must be persons of exceptional achievement as judged by their peers.

FAQs

- **CMRP Certification is only valid for 3 years. What happens after that?**
 - Two ways to renew the certification
 - Take and pass the CMRP within one year of the expiration date
 - Complete 45 hours of professional development activity within the 3-year renewal period
 - Submit renewal application and processing fee
 - AHA-CC sends reminders
 - Application available on-line
 - Fee is \$135 for members and \$225 for nonmembers
 - Application must be submitted 30 days prior to expiration date

Need More Information?

- ***CMRP Candidate Handbook and Application***
 - Available through
 - AHA-CC's website: www.aha.org/certcenter
 - AHRMM's website: www.ahrmm.org
 - AMP at **888-519-9901**
- **For questions about ...**
 - CMRP program, contact the AHA-CC at certification@aha.org
 - Exam registration, application status, etc., contact AMP at 888-519-9901 or info@goamp.com
 - CMRP exam prep courses, contact AHRMM at ahrmm@aha.org



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Questions?



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