



National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification® (NCTRC) wants to support Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialists® (CTRSs) in their search for continuing education opportunities that align with the current [NCTRC Job Analysis](#) in order to meet recertification requirements. NCTRC has a variety of resources to assist CTRSs to discover and learn about NCTRC pre-approved continuing education opportunities.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** The NCTRC Organizational Continuing Education Session Content Pre-approval Program provides for advance approval of professionally sponsored continuing education (CE) programs. NCTRC provides continuing education pre-approval of educational session content that is directly related to the NCTRC Job Analysis Study.

The purpose of the Organizational Continuing Education Session Content Pre-approval Program is to enhance the opportunities for CTRSs to engage in professional training and education to assure continuing competence in the practice of recreational therapy.

## HOW IT WORKS

CTRSs, now you can learn in confidence knowing that NCTRC has pre-approved continuing education session content from conferences, workshops, as well as online and on-demand courses offered by a multitude of organizations and continuing education providers.

NCTRC is committed to providing CTRSs with the resources necessary for recertification, including Pre-approved Continuing Education opportunities.

### How does a CTRS learn about NCTRC Pre-approved Continuing Education?



#### NCTRC E-BLAST

NCTRC's weekly e-Blast communicates information directly related to continuing education opportunities, professional practice issues, informal research surveys, or important developments that affect the CTRS professional and TR/RT Practice.

Please make sure your email address is up to date on your [MY NCTRC LOGIN](#) account to receive these e-Blasts.



#### NCTRC CONTINUING EDUCATION EVENT CALENDAR LISTING

NCTRC communicates information directly related to NCTRC pre-approved continuing education opportunities on NCTRC's continuing education event calendar on the [NCTRC website](#).

Please make sure to check the NCTRC website Continuing Education Event Calendar regularly to view the most recent information.



#### NCTRC E-NEWS LISTING

NCTRC communicates information directly related to NCTRC pre-approved continuing education opportunities on NCTRC's bi-monthly e-News under continuing education opportunities listing.

Please make sure to [subscribe to the NCTRC e-Newsletter](#) in order to receive this information.

## **NCTRC provides a wide range of professional services to ensure both the quality of the CTRS credential and protection of the consumer.**

NCTRC is also issuing micro-credentials and associated digital badges as a direct result of NCTRC pre-approved continuing education session content that meets NCTRC Standards and is related to the NCTRC Job Analysis.

NCTRC is excited to offer continuing education providers and organizations the opportunity to apply for and offer micro-credentials and their associated digital badges to CTRSs for continuing education session content that has obtained NCTRC pre-approval.

Once a CTRS earns a micro-credential through NCTRC pre-approved continuing education opportunities, the CTRS will have the opportunity to apply for and claim the associated digital badge through their [MY NCTRC LOGIN](#) account.

Watch for NCTRC pre-approved continuing education opportunities and micro-credentials that meet the advanced knowledge and skill requirements to obtain or maintain [Specialization Area Designation](#). The Specialization Area Designation on the CTRS credential is used to indicate recreational therapy experience and focused continuing education within a specified area of practice, both of which are necessary components for advancing competence in practice.

To learn more, review the [CTRS Guide to Micro-Credentials and Associated Digital Badges](#).

### **CTRSs—Recertify and Reinvest in Yourself!**

We hope that the NCTRC Pre-approved Continuing Education resources will help you maintain your CTRS credential. For detailed information on [CTRS Renewal](#) and [CTRS Recertification](#) requirements, download and review: [NCTRC Certification Standards](#).

**Questions? Feel free to contact us via email [nctrc@nctrc.org](mailto:nctrc@nctrc.org), or give us a call at 845-639-1439.**

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