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**SME Announces Test Dates for Certified Mine Safety Professional Certification Exams**

The successful mine safety and health professional must possess a wealth of professional knowledge and experience to effectively perform their duties and keep others safe. The Certified Mine Safety Professional (CMSP) credential indicates to the industry that a safety professional has the experience and knowledge of domestic and international best practices, and that they are dedicated to elevating safety and health standards on the job. SME acquired the responsibility for the CMSP credential in 2016.

The content of the CMSP exam is based on the Body of Knowledge developed by the International Academy of Mine Safety & Health of SME (IAMSH of SME) and other industry subject matter experts. The exam covers both domestic and international best practices. The new CMSP certification expands the accredited Body of Knowledge to include safety and health issues. Upcoming exam dates and locations:

**June 17, 2019**
Virginia Beach, VA
Application Deadline: June 3
► Held in conjunction with the Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association and Holmes Mine Rescue Association 2019 National Meeting.

**August 24, 2019**
Denver, CO
Application Deadline: July 31
► Held at SME Headquarters.

**October 21, 2019**
Reno, Nevada
Application Deadline: September 30
► Held in conjunction with the Mine Health and Safety Conference.

**October 26, 2019**
Pittsburgh, PA
Application Deadline: September 30
► Held in conjunction with PCMIA/SME Pittsburgh Joint Annual Conference.

SME is committed to growing the CMSP into the premier mining safety and health certification in the world. The CMSP certification was designed by mining health and safety professionals who are committed to developing a bond for mine safety practitioners with a focus on education, group learning, and fostering innovation to achieve new and effective safety methods. CMSPs will be required to earn 25 professional development points for recertification every five years.

For more information on the CMSP program visit [www.smecmsp.org/](http://www.smecmsp.org/).

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