



BOARD FOR GLOBAL EHS CREDENTIALING

BGC October 2021 Announcements

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BGC 2021 Virtual Forum and Award Presentations

Don't forget to [register](#) for the BGC Forum and Award presentations, which will take place virtually on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. US Eastern time (16:00 to 17:30 GMT). Space is limited, and registration is free. During this year's Forum we will:

- Discuss strategic initiatives and the future of BGC
- Have a drawing for 2022 fee waivers
- Present the recipients of our four BGC awards:
 - **ABIH Lynn C. O'Donnell Lifetime Achievement Award:** Ms. Chris Laszcz-Davis, MS, CIH, COH, FAIHA, AIC Fellow
 - **ABIH Impact Award:** Dr. Linda Martin, PhD, CIH, CSP, CHMM
 - **QEP Annual Award:** Dr. Georgi Popov, PhD, QEP, CSP, ARM, SMS, CMC, FAIHA
 - **James C. Ball Lifetime Achievement Award:** Ms. Julie Thompson, CPEA, CPA, CGMA, DEI

We will also be announcing our five incoming BGC Board members for 2022!

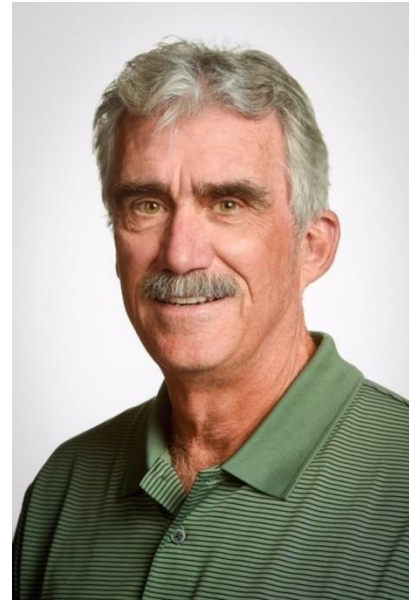
We look forward to seeing you there!



BGC is proud to announce this year's award recipient for the Allan K. Fleeger Distinguished Service Award!

The Product Stewardship Society's Distinguished Service Award is named after the Society's first President, Allan Fleeger. Created in 2018, the award recognizes distinguished service by a Society member who has contributed substantially to the growth and success of the organization and the product stewardship profession. This year's recipient is BGC's own Board of Director's Vice-Chair Mr. Thomas Grumbles, CIH, FAIHA, CPPS.

Mr. Grumbles' legacy of commitment, leadership, innovation, and advocacy for the profession of product stewardship has made a tremendous positive impact on the field. He has over 40 years' experience in industrial hygiene and product safety compliance in the chemical industry. He has served on the Product Stewardship Society's Board of Directors from its inception in 2014 through his 2016-2017 term as president. During his Board service, he established the Society's Education Committee, serving as the committee's first chair, and co-authored the publication *Professional Practices of Product Stewardship*. He has served as the Company Chair of the Health, Products and Science Policy Committee at the American Chemistry Council, President of the American Industrial Hygiene Association, and President of the International Occupational Hygiene Association. He is also a 2015 winner of the AIHA Distinguished Service Award. He currently serves as Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors of the Board for Global EHS Credentialing.



Thank You for Participating in the EHS Audit Survey

BGC recently conducted a survey of experienced audit practitioners and those who employ or supervise them to gather information to update the Certified

Professional Environmental Auditor (CPEA) and Certified Process Safety Auditor (CPSA) credentials.

The survey received almost 200 responses which are being used to make plans for ensuring that we continue to provide a valid, reliable, rigorous, and sought-after credentialing process for practitioners engaged in EHS auditing.

We would like to say a special thank you to everyone who participated in our survey and congratulate the four lucky individuals who were selected for our random drawing for a \$25 Amazon gift card:

P. Alexandrin
C. Allen

B. Bremen
R. Hampson



CPPS: DEADLINE UPDATE!

To enable a more thorough review of applications, the deadline has been changed from the original January 15th date! The new CPPS application deadline for Spring 2022 is December 1, 2021

All Certified Professional Product Steward (CPPS) application documents from all sources must be submitted, all materials uploaded, and fees paid by the deadline and approved in order to sit for the exam.



blog

[Don't forget to check out our new blog.](#) The blog is updated regularly with interesting and informative posts from our Board members. Each blog post has an area in which you can submit comments. To visit our blog, [go to the BGC website](#) and select the **News** dropdown menu. From there, select **BGC Blog**. This month features BGC's Board of Director's Chair Alan Leibowitz answering frequently asked questions about BGC.



Upcoming Certification Deadlines

Please be aware of the following deadlines for BGC credentialing programs. Be sure to pay all fees and submit all application or recertification materials before the deadline to avoid late charges.

Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH)

CIH examinations are offered in the spring and fall of each year. All application documents from all sources must be submitted, all materials uploaded, and fees paid by the deadline and approved in order to sit for the exam.

- Application/reapplication deadline for Spring 2022 is February 1, 2022
- Application/reapplication deadline for Fall 2022 is August 1, 2022

CIH recertification/certification-maintenance (CM) deadlines are based on the end date of your recertification cycle. Please refer to your certificate or [log in to your CAPS profile](#) to determine your deadline.

- CM deadline for the cycle ending December 31, 2021 is February 1, 2022
- CM deadline for the cycle ending June 30, 2022 is August 1, 2022

Certified Professional Environmental Auditor (CPEA)

CPEAs are being transitioned to 5-year recertification (CM/CPD) cycles. Your deadline for submitting your Attestation of Recertification Activities form can be found through the [CPEA/CPSA roster](#).

- CM deadline for the cycle ending December 31, 2021 is February 1, 2022

Certified Professional Process Safety Auditor (CPSA)

CPSAs are being transitioned to 5-year recertification (CM/CPD) cycles. Your deadline for submitting your Attestation of Recertification Activities form can be found through the [CPEA/CPSA roster](#).

- CM deadline for the cycle ending December 31, 2021 is February 1, 2022

Certified Professional Product Steward (CPPS)

All application documents from all sources must be submitted, all materials uploaded, and fees paid by the deadline and approved in order to sit for the exam.

- CPPS application deadline for Spring 2022 is **December 1, 2021**

Note: To enable a more thorough review of applications, this has been changed from the original January 15th date!

CPPS recertification deadlines are based on the end date of your recertification cycle. Please refer to your BGC certificate to confirm your deadline.

- Recertification deadline for cycle ending June 30, 2025 is August 1, 2025
- Recertification deadline for cycle ending December 31, 2025 is February 1, 2026

Environmental Professional In-Training (EPI)

The EPI designation has no requirement for recertification; however, you may only hold the designation for seven years without sitting for the QEP exam.

Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP)

QEP recertification deadlines are on a five-year cycle, on the last day of the month in which you originally passed your QEP exam.

- [Please log in to your QEP profile](#) to confirm your deadline date.

Certified Associate Industrial Hygienist (CAIH)

CAIH recertification/certification-maintenance (CM) deadlines are based on the end date of your recertification cycle.

- CM deadline for cycle ending December 31, 2021 is February 1, 2022
- CM deadline for cycle ending June 30, 2022 is August 1, 2022

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