**OVERVIEW OF THE CPHR BC & Yukon ACCREDITATION PROGRAM:**

At the Chartered Professionals in Human Resources of BC & Yukon (CPHR BC & Yukon), we are committed to building the strategic capability and organizational impact of HR professionals, and providing value to our members.

To further support the CPD needs of our growing population of Certified Human Resources Professionals (CPHRs), and in recognition of the quality of some of the HR professional development programs offered throughout BC, we are proud to introduce the CPHR BC & Yukon Accreditation Program.

**What is the CPHR BC & Yukon Accreditation Program?**

The CPHR BC & Yukon Accreditation Program provides academic institutions and organizations that deliver HR and strategic business programming the ability to guarantee CPD Hours. Eligible continuing education events must be directly in line with the HR Competencies and have an established set of standards for quality and consistency in program delivery.

Attaching the CPHR BC & Yukon Accreditation Seal to your event marketing materials communicates that your event has been reviewed and approved to guarantee CPD Hours.

Once your event has been approved, you will pay a fee to use the Accreditation Seal on an annual basis. You can use the CPHR BC & Yukon Accreditation Seal for up to three years without the need to resubmit your event for review.

**What are the Benefits to Participating Providers?**

You’ve probably already been asked if your continuing education events are eligible for CPD Hours. Having CPHR BC & Yukon Accredited Status for your events will provide you with:

* The ability to guarantee CPD Hours.
* The ability to enhance your marketing to a growing group of CPHR designation holders (currently +2,500 in BC).
* Increased recognition for the quality of your offering.

**What Do I receive if my Event Submission is Approved?**

You will be notified by email after your event submission has been reviewed. If you are approved, you will be sent an invoice. After your annual fee has been paid, you will receive the following:

* An electronic version of the CPHR BC & Yukon Accreditation Seal which can be added to all marketing materials specifically associated with the approved event.
* An electronic Event Identification Number for each event submitted and approved.

**Use of the Accreditation Seal**

Use the Seal:

* On your organization’s website in locations where an approved event is being promoted.
* On collateral materials promoting the specific event(s).
* In conjunction with the suggested phrase, “This program has been approved for XX CPD Hours”.

The Seal may not be used:

* On your organization’s website in a location where the approved event is not being promoted.
* In association with other activities that have not been approved.
* By another organization, even if that organization is a co-sponsor of the event. The seal is not transferable.

**Use of the Event Identification Number**

The Event Identification Number is intended to support your event attendees to keep a record of their CPD Hours earned. For CPHR BC & Yukon to provide an Event Identification Number, the event must be submitted as part of your application package.

* The Event Identification Number is to be provided ONLY to those people who have verified attendance in the program. It cannot be used on marketing materials or calendar postings.
* The documentation (e.g., certificate of completion) which includes the Event Identification Number must also include the confirmed number of CPD Hours that the individual is eligible for based on their personal attendance and number of eligible instructional hours.
* CPHR-holding professionals are encouraged to note the Event Identification Number in their Self-Reported Hours log. It is not required to submit this information unless they are audited. (Please refer to CPHR BC & Yukon’s Continuing Professional Development Standard [here](https://cphrbc.ca/cphr/i-am-a-cphr/cpdstandard/).)
* The following is suggested language for communicating the Event Identification Number, “You have successfully completed the following continuing education event: . This event (Event ID Number: ) has been approved for \_\_\_ CPD hours. Be sure to note the Event Identification Number in your records.”

**Misuse**

Organizations found in violation of the use of the seal and sample language will be provided with 15 days to rectify the violation. Failure to rectify the violation will result in revocation of the organization’s privilege to provide or seek pre-approved CPD Hours for a minimum of one year. For repeat offenders, revocation will be permanent.

CPHR BC & Yukon reserves the right to immediately cancel CPHR BC & Yukon Accredited Status for serious infractions.

**What is the CPHR BC & Yukon Accreditation Application Process?**

1. Review the minimum eligibility criteria, and determine if you are eligible to apply.
2. Complete the application process.
3. Submit your fully completed application to CPHR BC & Yukon.
4. Receive a response (approval or denial) within 4 weeks.

5. Market your approved events displaying the CPHR BC & Yukon Accreditation Seal.

At the end of your approved term, it is your responsibility to submit a new application for approval.

**What is the Application Review Process?**

In summary, the application review process involves:

* A review of the application to ensure minimum eligibility criteria is met.
* A review of the submission guidelines to ensure guidelines are met.
* Formal review of all components of the application.

Please note that if clarification is required, CPHR BC & Yukon will be in touch with the application contact person. CPHR BC & Yukon reserves the right to request the following in order to ensure compliance with the established criteria and to investigate allegations of violations. This may involve:

* A detailed agenda, course curriculum or courseware materials (such as participant handbooks, facilitator/instructor guidelines or lesson plans, audio/visual materials, or access to online materials)
* A request to review an authorized provider's records, including, but not limited to, documents related to needs assessments, planning, evaluations and record keeping.

**What is the Minimum Eligibility Criteria?**

Please note the following minimum requirements. Your organization must:

* Offer HR-related professional development events directly related to the HR Competencies
* Offer HR-related professional development events lasting more than 1 hour.
* Have offered HR-related professional development events for a minimum of 1 calendar year prior to applying.
* Have completed a learning needs assessment in the last 3 years to inform programming decisions.
* Use presenters (or have a lead presenter) with a minimum of 5 years HR experience in their topic area, and preferably holding the CPHR designation.
* Have a formal evaluation process in place for both speakers and session content.
* Have a formal registration and attendance tracking system in place in order to confirm eligibility for CPD Hours.

**What Conditions Must be Met to Maintain Accredited Status?**

Please note the following requirements. Upon approval as a CPHR BC & Yukon accredited event, you must:

* Continue to meet the minimum eligibility requirements outlined above.
* Conduct events in compliance with the terms outlined in the approved application.
* Appropriately use the Seal in line with the guidelines outlined.
* Maintain a satisfaction rating of 70% for the overall program (e.g., combination of all of the events approved). Please note that this may require the addition of a question to your program evaluation.
* Pay all required fees associated with the use of the Seal.

**How will I be Informed of Approval or Denial?**

Please note the following:

* Applicants will receive email confirmation of their application package receipt.
* Within four weeks from the date of confirmed receipt, the applicant will be informed of approval or denial via email.

**Approval**

* Applicants that are approved will be informed by email and sent an invoice as per the payment terms outlined.
* After payment of the accreditation fee, applicants that are approved will receive an electronic copy of the CPHR BC & Yukon Accreditation Seal and an Event Identification Number for each approved event submitted.
* The Seal can be used for up to three years on approved events. Payments can be made on an annual basis. See the Associated Fees section for more information.

**Denial**

* Applicants that are not approved will be informed via email. This email will include a brief description of why the application was denied.
* Applicants that are not approved will not be refunded the application processing fee.
* The organization may submit a new application after a minimum of six months following the denial.

**What are Key Timing Considerations?**

Please note the following timing requirements:

* Applications will be reviewed within four weeks of receipt; confirmation of approval or denial will be provided by email upon completion of review.
* Once approved, your CPHR BC & Yukon Accredited status for approved events is valid for up to three years. You must pay your annual fee to maintain this status.
* Applications must be received a minimum of eight weeks prior to scheduled marketing activities in order to ensure review of your application is completed in advance.

**What are the Associated Fees?**

Please note the following application processing fees:

* A $75 application processing fee is required for submissions containing up to five events.
* A $250 application processing fee is required for submissions containing more than five events.
* Application processing fees are non-refundable. These fees are due upon submission of your application.
* If your event is approved, your application processing fee will be subtracted from your first annual accreditation fee.

Please note the following accreditation fees:

* Accreditation fees are based on the number of hours of instructional programming approved.
* There is a minimum fee of $350 per year for up to 20 hours of programming.
* The fees in the matrix below do not include GST/HST.
* Please note that the number of instructional hours is calculated per event. The total number of instructional hours is the sum of the instructional hours for all approved events.

*For example, if you have submitted a single 6-hour event which you will be running three times during the year, the total number of instructional hours is 6-hours. If you have submitted two 6-hour events will you will be running three times each during the year, the total number of instructional hours is 12-hours.*

* Please note that if you have multiple events, we suggest that you submit them at the same time to maximize your ability to benefit from this fee structure.
* The Seal can be used for up to three years on approved events. Payments can be made on an annual basis.
* If you are submitting a one-time event (e.g., a conference), select the annual payment option and do not continue payment after the first year.

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| **Fee Matrix** |
| **Total Number of Instructional Hours for All Events Approved** | **Annual Fee** |
| Up to 20 instructional hours | $350 |
| 21 – 30 instructional hours | $500 |
| 31 – 40 instructional hours | $750 |
| 41 – 50 instructional hours | $1,000 |
| Every additional 50 hours  | $500 |

* Please note that provider organizations must cover all costs associated with adding the CPHR BC & Yukon Accreditation Seal to their marketing / promotional materials.

**On What Grounds Can Accredited Status be Revoked?**

In cases where allegations of criteria violations or complaints of ethical misconduct are found plausible, CPHR BC & Yukon reserves the right to revoke the Accredited Status.

CPHR BC & Yukon may revoke the Accredited Status if it is determined that the provider:

* Provided false information on the application.
* Failed to conduct continuing education events in compliance with the established criteria.
* Failed to maintain the organizational and record keeping requirements necessary.
* Provided false information about a submitted event. This may include, incorrect reporting of eligible CPD Hours or violating of guidelines for CPD Hours.
* Misuse of the CPHR BC & Yukon Accreditation Seal and/or sample language.
* Improper or unethical marketing of events that have been advertised as pre-approved for CPD Hours.
* Any instance, singular or repeated, that jeopardizes the integrity or reputation of the CPHR designation program.
* Failure to pay accreditation fees associated with the use of the seal.

In case of revocation, CPHR BC & Yukon will notify the host organization’s contact person regarding the nature of the problem.

The organization will be provided the opportunity to correct minor violations prior to being barred from submitting future requests. Organizations found in minor violation of the use of the Seal and sample language will be provided with 15 days to rectify the violation. Failure to rectify the violation will result in revocation of the organization’s privilege to provide or seek pre-approved CPD Hours for a minimum of one year. For repeat offenders, revocation will be permanent.

Revoked status will mean:

* Removal of all references to CPHR BC & Yukon Accredited Status within 10 business days at the expense of the organization.
* No refund on payment made to secure CPHR BC & Yukon Accredited Status.

**How is Quality Ensured During the Approved Term? (What is the Ongoing Auditing Process?)**

Please note that CPHR BC & Yukon reserves the right to randomly audit approved providers to ensure compliance with the established criteria and to investigate allegations of violations. This may involve:

* A request to review an organization’s records, including, but not limited to, documents related to needs assessments, planning, evaluations and record keeping.
* A visit to and assessment of specific educational events.

**Who Do I Contact With Questions Regarding the Application Process?**

Professional Development, CPHR BC & Yukon

e. pd@cphrbc.ca or
ph. 604.684.7228 or Toll Free: 800.665.1961

**Who Do I Direct Event Attendees to Speak with if They Have Questions About the CPD requirements?**

e. cphr@cphrbc.ca or
ph. 604.684.7228 or Toll Free: 800.665.1961

**GUIDELINES TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION PACKAGE:**

Review the minimum eligibility criteria and ensure that all criteria are met and can continue to be met over the next three years. Failure to meet any of following criteria will result in denial of your application. Minimum eligibility criteria include:

* Offer HR-related professional development events directly related to the HR Competencies
* Offer HR-related professional development events lasting more than 1 hour.
* Have offered HR-related professional development events for a minimum of 1 calendar year prior to applying.
* Have completed a learning needs assessment in the last 3 years to inform programming decisions.
* Use presenters (or have a lead presenter) with a minimum of 5 years HR experience in their topic area, and preferably holding the CPHR designation.
* Have a formal evaluation process in place for both speakers and session content.
* Have a formal registration and attendance tracking system in place in order to confirm eligibility for CPD Hours.

Consider the following critical definitions when completing the package:

* Program – Program is an overarching term. A program typically contains a number of HR professional development events. For example an HR Diploma Program from a university may include a number of individual events in the form of courses. When providing the HR Program Name on the first page of the application, please provide this overarching name (e.g., HR Breakfast Seminar Series, a conference, etc.).
* Events – Events are workshops, webinars, courses, etc. They are things that can be taken in isolation from one another. As a guideline, when listing events in the application, consider each thing for which a “certificate of completion” would be awarded as an individual event.

In completing the package:

* Only submit events which have a pure learning focus (as opposed to a sales component).
* Only submit events that are a minimum of one hour in length.
* It is recommended that all professional development events for which you would like to use the Seal are submitted at one time. Each professional development event must be listed and outlined as per the guidelines provided.
* Event Identification Numbers will not be issued retroactively. If new events are added following submission of the package, they must be submitted for individual evaluation by using the [**Additional Events Form**](https://cphrbc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/Accreditation-Additional-Events-Form.docx).
* CPD Hours are calculated as per the guidelines outlined in the CPD Summary Log, found on www.CPHR.ca [here](http://www.chrp.ca/i-am-a-chrp/recertification-log/). Please note the following:
* A minimum of 1 CPD Hour is granted for each hour of instruction directly related to the current HR Competencies.
* CPD Hours are subject to the daily or course maximums outlined in the current CPD Summary Log.
* CPD Hours can only be granted for hours of instruction (registration, networking breaks, etc. are not eligible).
* Conferences should be considered a program; and each session should be submitted as a single event.
* For university programs, each course should be submitted as a single event.
* For packaged series, each session should be submitted as a single event.
* Self-paced / self-directed / distance education events are eligible for credits equivalent to the minimum number of hours required to complete the event work.

To submit your package:

* Please submit your completed application package via email or mail.

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| **Via Email****To:**  Professional Development **Email Subject Should Include:** Accreditation Application**Email Address:** pd@cphrbc.ca  |  | **Via Mail****Attn:** Professional DevelopmentCPHR BC & Yukon1101-1111 West Hastings StreetVancouver, BC V6E 2J3 |

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| **COMPANY CONTACT:**  |
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| **COMPANY & CONTINUING EDUCATION GENERAL INFORMATION:**  |
| In addition to completing the requested information in the form that follows, please submit the following attachments:* Appendix A – For each event, the event title and brief description, specific learning objectives (bullets preferred), instructor name and qualifications, and duration (a marketing catalog, compiled event postings, or course curriculum/courseware materials can be submitted).
* Appendix B – A copy of your written policy on participant privacy and record retention.
* Appendix C – A copy of letters of recommendations from 3 references (see References section for details).
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| Number of years your organization has been offering HR-related continuing education: |  |
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| Number of HR continuing education events offered in the past 12 months: |  |
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| Number of HR continuing education events offered in the next 12 months: |  |
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| Are your HR continuing education events currently receiving professional or academic credits from any other agencies? | No |  | Yes |  |
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| If you answered Yes above, list agencies: |  |

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| Below, list the following: Program name, event name, along with the HR Competency (see [the website](http://www.chrp.ca/?page=CPHR_competency) for list), number of days of instruction, number of instruction hours each day (excluding registration, networking breaks, etc.), and the standard fee for the event (excluding specialty and discount pricing). There is also a space called "notes" for any additional information that you feel is important. Leave "notes" blank if it does not apply. Program name is only required if the event is part of a program (e.g., Certificate in HR Management, HR Breakfast Seminar Series, etc.). Please copy this page if additional room is required. Self paced / self directed / distance education programs are eligible for credits equivalent to the minimum number of hours required to complete the event work.  |
| Program Name *(if event is part of a program)* |  | Event Name |  | HR Comp. |  | # Days of Instruction |  | Instruction Hrs per Day |  | Standard Fee |  | Notes |
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| **NEEDS ASSESSMENT INFORMATION:**  |
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| Strategy (e.g., focus group, survey, etc.) |  | Target Audience Consulted |  | Completed (mm/yy) |
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| **SPEAKER SCREENING & SELECTION:**  |
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| Speakers (or lead speakers) for each session applied for have a minimum 5 years experience in their topic area? | No |  | Yes |  |  |
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| Outline the core criteria that speakers MUST meet to be eligible to speak in your continuing education events. **Please use bullets.** (e.g., education experience, speaking experience, years of practice, etc.).  |
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| Describe the process used to identify and screen speakers to determine their competency in the subject matter, they understand the learning event’s purpose and outcomes, and they have knowledge and skills in instructional methods and learning processes. **Please use bullets.** (e.g., reference checks, observations of other speaking events, etc.) |
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| Describe the formal processes used to evaluate and provide feedback to speakers. **If you do not have a formal process, you are not eligible to apply for accreditation.** |
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| Strategy (e.g., focus group feedback, survey, etc.) |  |  | How often? |
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| **REGISTRATION TRACKING:** |
| CPHR’s only obtain credits for hours of instructional time attended. Please describe the formal system you will use to track attendance. **If you do not have a formal system in place, you are not eligible to apply for accreditation.** |
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| How will CPHR’s be informed of the number of CPD Hours that they have achieved? (e.g., certificate, email, etc.) |
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**GENERAL EVENT DETAILS:**

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| Event formats used for events submitted: |
| In-person series (multi-day) | No |  | Yes |  |  |
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| In-person workshop (half day) | No |  | Yes |  |  |
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| In-person workshop (full day) | No |  | Yes |  |  |
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| Breakfast or lunch seminars | No |  | Yes |  |  |
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| Webinars/eLearning/On-Demand Courses | No |  | Yes |  |  |
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| Combined in-person / online format | No |  | Yes |  |  |
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| Are all events disability accessible? | No |  | Yes |  |  |
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**Evaluation:**

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| Describe the formal processes used to evaluate course content. **If you do not have a formal process, you are not eligible to apply for accreditation.** |
| Strategy (e.g., focus group feedback, survey, etc.) |  |  | How often? |
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| How often is course content updated?: |  |

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| Please provide a summary of overall results and feedback for your HR-related continuing education events conducted in last year below, or attach the information (one page maximum) as Appendix D. Indicate that the attachment exists in the box below. Both quantitative and qualitative feedback are suggested. |
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| **REFERENCES:** |

You must have 3 reference letters included as Appendix C of your submission. The following minimum criteria are required of these letters:

* One letter must be from a speaker / instructor / facilitator who has facilitated one of your submitted events in the last calendar year. This letter should address the organization’s instructional approach and requirements, and anecdotal feedback regarding how the content was received.
* One letter must be from a participant who completed one of the professional development events you have submitted for approval in the past year. This letter should address the organization’s instructional approach, quality of content, and ability to apply learnings in the undertaking of HR activities.
* The sender of the third letter is left to your discretion.
* Each letter must include the name and contact details of the person submitting. They must be open to being contacted during the application review process in the event that there are any questions related to their letter.

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| **PAYMENT OPTIONS:** |
| I authorize the Chartered Professionals in Human Resources of BC & Yukon to charge a non-refundable processing fee of: |
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I agree with the above charges. I understand that this fee is non-refundable. In the event that my credit card is declined for any reason, I understand I will be charged an additional processing fee of $30.00. Please charge by credit card the total processing fee indicated above.

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| If approved, payment annually will be made:  |  | For one year only |  | Each year for a maximum of three years |
| An invoice will be issued at the time of approval. Payment will be due within 30 days of invoice receipt. Invoices will be sent to the contact and address identified in the Company Contact section of this form. |
| **SUBMITTING YOUR PACKAGE:**Completed packages should be sent to the attention of the Professional Development Coordinator. Email your completed application package to the Professional Development Coordinator at pd@cphrbc.ca or mail to: 1101 – 1111 W. Hastings St.Vancouver, BC V6E 2J3Please submit all materials via a single method (e.g., please do not email part of the package and mail supporting documentation). |
| **PAYMENT CONFIRMATION:** |
| After you have submitted your completed form and appendices you will receive an email confirming receipt. If you do not receive an email confirming receipt of your package, please contact the Professional Development coordinator pd@cphrbc.ca or by phone at 60.684.7228 or 800.665.1961.Processing of packages will take up to 4 weeks from the date of confirmed receipt of your package. Following review of your package, you will be informed by email of approval or denial of your application. **Approval*** Applicants that are approved will receive an electronic copy of the CPHR BC & Yukon Certified Provider Seal and a program Identification Number for each approved event submitted.
* Approved providers may use the Seal for three years in accordance with the terms outlined.

**Denial*** Applicants that are not approved will be informed via email. This email will include a brief description of why the application was denied.
* Applicants that are not approved will not be refunded the processing fee.
* The organization may submit a new application after a minimum of six months following the denial.
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