Celebrating CAMICB’s 25th Anniversary, International Accreditation, and More

Community Association Managers International Certification Board (CAMICB) marked a milestone anniversary – 25 years – in 2020. Like so many aspects of each of our lives, a celebration of that anniversary was overtaken by events. But we want you to know that for our candidates and credential holders, 2020 was in no way a lost year. A committed corps of Certified Managers of Community Associations (CMCAs) adjusted and adapted to a working environment and to management challenges that no one could have anticipated. The health and wellbeing of the residents and communities we manage became a key priority in every action we took and every decision we made. We were not confronted simply by a new way of doing business; we faced a new way of defining – and protecting – “community.” The COVID-19 pandemic is not behind us; there continues to be a need for care and vigilance. But we – and our communities – are beginning to emerge from the most extreme constraints of our pandemic year, stronger and more aware of the profound value of community, in every way community manifests itself. And it is time to begin to celebrate the success of your credentialing program.

International Recognition

In March 2020 the CMCA examination was successfully reaccredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA), recognition that the CMCA program is developed and delivered in accordance with the rigorous standards the Commission sets for United States-based professional credentialing bodies. Just over one year later, in early April 2021, the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) accredited the CMCA credential under the ANSI/ISO/IEC Standard 17024. International Standards Organization (ISO) accreditation represents compliance with professional credentialing standards recognized and respected around the world. It makes the CMCA credential one of a small number of dual-accredited credentialing bodies, and the only accredited certification for community association management professionals around the world. Our accreditation standing is a great source of pride for CAMICB, and we hope it is a source of pride for our credential holders: a strong testament to the strength and value of the CMCA credential.

Commitment to Professionalism

CAMICB awarded the CMCA credential to 650 managers in 2020; 88% of active CMCAs chose to renew their CMCA credential during a year marked by personal and professional uncertainty. In March 2021 we saw the highest volume of candidates taking the CMCA exam in a single month since 2015. CAMICB also approved a higher-than-average volume of new CMCA applications, and we have a robust pool of candidates prepared to take the CMCA examination. The commitment to laying the foundation for a successful career in community association management remains strong.
A Look Ahead

We believe it is appropriate to begin to plan the celebration of our milestone anniversary in ways that honor the professionalism that is at the core of the CMCA credential and look toward the future with renewed commitment and genuine optimism. Please be sure to follow us on Facebook and LinkedIn and visit https://www.camicb.org/25years for updates in the coming months as CAMICB celebrates 25 years of professionalism and growth in the field of community association management and – most of all – celebrates the individual credential holders who are the heart and soul of our credentialing program.

Sincerely,

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