

# Announcing a **NEW** Certification for Facilities Managers



## CERTIFIED LIFE SAFETY SPECIALIST HEALTH CARE FACILITY MANAGER

A professional credential for health care facility managers that highlights knowledge of the many life safety challenges within a health care environment and how to keep facilities in compliance with *NFPA 101*<sup>®</sup>, *Life Safety Code*<sup>®</sup>.



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# CLSS-HCFM

## Certified Life Safety Specialist — Health Care Facility Manager



### ➤ Program Overview

The NFPA Certified Life Safety Specialist Program (CLSS-HCFM) was created in 2015 after extensive market research was conducted with facility managers within the health care industry. The research indicated a strong desire among facility managers to have a credential that highlights their knowledge of the many life safety challenges within a health care environment and helps them keep their facilities in compliance with the 2012 edition of *NFPA 101®*, *Life Safety Code®*.

### ➤ Eligibility

A candidate for the CLSS-HCFM certification must have attained a high school diploma or equivalent before being allowed to sit for the exam. Candidates must also have a working knowledge of NFPA 101 and how to navigate the code.

### ➤ Program Application & Duration

The CLSS-HCFM application form is found in the CLSS-HCFM candidate handbook as well as online at [www.nfpa.org/clss](http://www.nfpa.org/clss)

### ➤ Program Application Acceptance

An application is accepted only when both of the following requirements are met:

1. The completed and signed application is received by NFPA.
2. The examination fee is processed by NFPA.

### ➤ Program Fees

\$350 USD for the initial exam.  
\$150 USD to recertify at the end of your three (3) year certification period.

### ➤ Exam

The CLSS-HCFM exam is a computer-based (3) three-hour open-book examination, containing 100 multiple-choice questions. It is designed to evaluate the candidate's knowledge of life safety principles and code application skills within a health care environment. A list of test centers may be found at [www.isoqualitytesting.com](http://www.isoqualitytesting.com)

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** To all Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) surveyor candidates: CMS requires Life Safety Code Surveyor candidates pass the NFPA Certified Fire Inspector—I (CFI-I) exam, not the CLSS-HCFM exam.

“We surveyed several thousand Facility Managers in the field and when we asked how NFPA certifications would benefit them, 81% of respondents agreed that targeted NFPA certifications like the CLSS-HCFM would demonstrate both knowledge and competence to management and stakeholders alike.”

**Leon Katcharian**  
Director,  
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