



# Resources



In any line of work, it is always helpful to have somewhere to turn to ask questions, whether simple or complex. In the administration of research, there are numerous resources available.

How do we know that what we are looking for is what we need? This month's topic will give you some places to start.



# Professional Organizations

These are organizations that work towards the administration and support of research as a whole.

National Association for  
University Research  
Administrators

Focuses on the support of research administration in colleges, universities, teaching hospitals, and research institutes.

<https://www.ncura.edu/AboutUs.aspx>

Society for Research  
Administrators International

Focuses on the support of research administration in colleges, universities, research hospitals and institutes, government agencies, non-profit funders of research, and industry.

<https://www.srainternational.org/home>

National Grants  
Management Association

Focuses on the support of grants management including supervisory, support, accounting, and compliance roles

<https://www.ngma.org/>

# Professional Organizations

These are organizations that work towards the administration and support of research.

Society of Clinical Research Associates	Focuses on the educational support for clinical researchers in all therapeutic areas, that includes industry, government, and academia <a href="https://www.socra.org/">https://www.socra.org/</a>
Association of Clinical Research Professionals	Focuses on representing, supporting, and advocating for clinical research professionals <a href="https://www.acrpnet.org/">https://www.acrpnet.org/</a>
National Organization of Research Development Professionals	Advances the global capacity for and impact of research by strengthening the practice and profession of research development <a href="https://www.nordp.org/">https://www.nordp.org/</a>

## Things to Keep in Mind

# Certifications

Certifications are always a great way to show your knowledge in a certain topic area.

Research Administrators Certification Council:

<https://www.cra-cert.org/>

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Three offerings: Certified Research Administrator (CRA), Certified Pre-Award Research Administrator (CPRA), and Certified Financial Research Administrator (CFRA)

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Committed to the continuing improvement of the research administration profession and to assisting in the education and training of individuals who wish to become proficient in the research administration field

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The CRA shows a general knowledge of the Research Administration field while the CPRA and CFRA are more specific.

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Provides both Body of Knowledge sessions and online practice sessions for a fee; Current exam fees are \$395 per exam

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## Things to Keep in Mind

# Certification

Certified Grants Management Specialist through the National Grants Management Association:

<https://www.ngma.org/about-cgms>

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Demonstrated knowledge of the professional domains that encompass the tasks and knowledge required of a grants management professional in various practice settings

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Standalone credential and do not need to be a member of the National Grants Management Association to sit for the exam

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Offers a Body of Knowledge session for a fee (\$849 Early Bird/\$899 Standard for Members and \$1,023 Early Bird/\$1,073 Standard for Non-Members) and a practice test free for one time after registering and paying exam fee

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Current testing fee is \$500 for members and \$674 for non-members

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## Things to Keep in Mind

# Certification

Certified Clinical Research Professional through the Society for Clinical Research Administrators:

<https://www.socra.org/certification/program-overview/>

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Creates an internationally accepted standard of knowledge, education, and experience by which clinical research professionals will be recognized by the clinical research community

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Standalone credential and do not need to be a member of the Society for Clinical Research Administrators to sit for the exam

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Has a Resource Manual specific to the exam for purchase for \$50; Website lists a number of suggested resources for preparing for the exam

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Current testing fee is \$395 for members and \$450 for non-members

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## Things to Keep in Mind

# Certification

Association for Clinical Research Professionals:

<https://www.acrpnet.org/certification/>

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Recognizes clinical research professionals of all types, regardless of their roles or functional activities on the clinical study team

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Multiple credentials that include: ACRP Certified Professional, Certified Clinical Research Associate, Certified Clinical Research Coordinator, Certified Principal Investigator, ACRP Medical Device Professional, and ACRP Project Manager

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Offers a variety of training packages to help assess your current knowledge and provides a practice assessment to a comprehensive training program for your chosen credential (Prices vary depending on your choice of package)

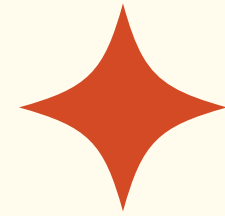
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Current testing fee for the ACRP Certified Professional is \$435 Early Bird/\$485 Standard for members and \$460 Early Bird/ \$600 Standard for non-members

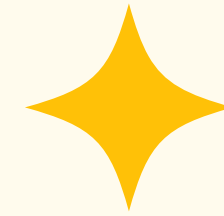
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# Training and Maintaining Certification



Looking for some training  
or have become certified  
and need to maintain your  
certification?



- All of the organizations discussed in previous slides provide training to members and non-members for a fee based on the type of training.
  - There are also FREE training and resources available.
- The remaining slides will provide information on how to access all of these options.





# FREE RESOURCES

## **NYC Research Administration Demonstration Series at NYU:**

Approximately once a month online webinars that cover various research administration topics. 1.5 CEU is provided for attending and there is no cost to attend. It is preferable if you register ahead of time and they will send you a calendar invitation with a ZOOM link:

<https://wp.nyu.edu/nyuresearchrad/>

**NCURA:** Free online learning that includes articles, web events, and YouTube videos:  
<https://onlinelearning.ncura.edu/free-resources>

**Research Administration ListServ:** Provides free access to discussion list that allows industry professionals from universities, hospitals, and government and non-profit research labs to share information and field questions from their peers. Subscribe here:  
<https://www.healthresearch.org/office-sponsored-programs/research-administration-listserv/>

# Almost Free Resources

A number of the organizations provide education and training at no additional cost once you become a member

**SRAI Coffee Talks:** Free for members; Discuss and explore different topics in research administration; Receive 1 CEU for attending:  
<https://www.srainternational.org/meetings/coffee-talks>

## **NGMA Monthly Webinars:**

Free to register for members:  
<https://www.ngma.org/webinars>

## **SOCRA Online Courses:**

Free to register for members:  
<https://www.socra.org/conferences-and-education/clinical-research-courses-online/>

## **ACRP Online Courses:**

Free to members (Fee for ACRP Continuing Education credit):  
<https://www.acrpnet.org/training/>

# Conferences

NCURA	Annual Meeting, Financial Research Admin, and Pre-Award Research Admin	Annual Meeting: August Financial and Pre-Award: March <a href="https://www.ncura.edu/Education/MeetingsConferences.aspx">https://www.ncura.edu/Education/MeetingsConferences.aspx</a>
SRAI	Annual Meeting, Financial Management, iSeries, Section Meetings	Annual Meeting: October/ November Financial Management: March iSeries (Online): May Section Meetings: Varies <a href="https://www.srainternational.org/meetings/trainings-conferences">https://www.srainternational.org/meetings/trainings-conferences</a>
NGMA	Annual Grants Training, Education Pop Up Series	Annual Grants Training: February/ March Education Pop Up Series: Varies <a href="https://www.ngma.org/agt">https://www.ngma.org/agt</a>
SOCRA	Annual Conference	Annual Conference: September/ October <a href="https://www.socra.org/annual-conference/2023/2023-annual-conference-information/">https://www.socra.org/annual-conference/2023/2023-annual-conference-information/</a>
ACRP	Annual Conference	Annual Conference: April/ May <a href="https://2024.acrpnet.org/">https://2024.acrpnet.org/</a>
NORDP	Annual Conference, Virtual Conference	Annual Conference: May Virtual Conference: November <a href="https://www.nordp.org/2023-fall-virtual-conference">https://www.nordp.org/2023-fall-virtual-conference</a>





# Other Training

NCURA	Online Education, Traveling Workshops	Online Education: <a href="https://onlinelearning.ncura.edu/">https://onlinelearning.ncura.edu/</a> Traveling Workshops: <a href="https://www.ncura.edu/travelingworkshops/Home.aspx">https://www.ncura.edu/travelingworkshops/Home.aspx</a>
NGMA	Fall Forum, Webinars	Fall Forum: <a href="https://www.ngma.org/fall-forum">https://www.ngma.org/fall-forum</a> Webinars: <a href="https://www.ngma.org/webinars">https://www.ngma.org/webinars</a>
SOCRA	Webinars, In Person Conferences, Online Courses	Webinars: <a href="https://www.socra.org/conferences-and-education/live-webinars/">https://www.socra.org/conferences-and-education/live-webinars/</a> In-Person Conferences: <a href="https://www.socra.org/conferences-and-education/training-conferences-workshops-courses/">https://www.socra.org/conferences-and-education/training-conferences-workshops-courses/</a> Online Courses: <a href="https://www.socra.org/conferences-and-education/clinical-research-courses-online/">https://www.socra.org/conferences-and-education/clinical-research-courses-online/</a>
ACRP	Online Courses, Home Study	Online Courses: <a href="https://www.acrpnet.org/training/">https://www.acrpnet.org/training/</a> Home Study: <a href="https://www.acrpnet.org/home-study/">https://www.acrpnet.org/home-study/</a>
SRAI	LevelUP, Webinars	LevelUP: <a href="https://www.srainternational.org/meetings/levelup-program">https://www.srainternational.org/meetings/levelup-program</a> <i>*(LSUHSC currently has a site license through June 30, 2024. Contact Carly Pigg cgerva@lsuhsc.edu to enroll)*</i> Webinars: <a href="https://www.srainternational.org/meetings/webinars">https://www.srainternational.org/meetings/webinars</a>



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