Welcome to the SHRM Recertification Provider Program! You are now authorized to offer programs and events for SHRM professional development credits (PDCs). This document provides you instructions on how to input your programs (activities) into your Recertification Provider account.

Before adding programs to your SHRM Recertification Provider portal, please note the following:

- How our platform was setup for program submissions — it was developed with university courses in mind. For example, a university can have ONE course, let’s say HR 101, they can have 10 different offerings of that course at different times throughout the year. So, the course(title/topic) would be HR 101 and all 10 of those different offerings would be a different class(activity). That’s why we have a Course and Class(Activity) in our system. Often times it’s just a one-day workshop or seminar or webinar, etc., so your course and class title and program details would be the same in both sections. Again - Class(Activity) must have a parent course. A Course (which is overarching) may consist of several activities that falls below the course title/topic. However, all activities must have the same details as the parent course including PDC count. If the PDC assigned to an activity is different from the course, you must create a new course for the activity.
- Programs must be added to the portal before the program begin date. Programs that have already occurred cannot be added retroactively.
- Programs are awarded PDCs immediately after you add them to your portal, without preapproval by SHRM. Programs added to the SHRM portal are in the public domain, which allows anyone to register/participate in the programs. Only active programs are searchable in the public domain.
- Award credit based on the actual educational time spent in the program (lunch and break time should not be included). Time is calculated in 15-minute increments. Each 15-minute increment = .25, or a quarter of 1 PDC (e.g. 30-minutes = .50, 45-minutes = .75, 1-hour webinar = 1 PDC, etc.). If you have a program that offers more than 45 PDCs, enter the capped amount 45 PDCs, then contact the SHRM Recertification Provider Team include the Activity code and explanation for editing the PDC above the capped amount at RecertificationProvider@shrm.org.

After adding programs to your SHRM Recertification Provider portal, please note the following:

- An Activity ID is created immediately, which means the program has been awarded PDCs.
- You will not be able to edit grayed out fields or the number of PDCs after the Activity ID has been generated. Please contact the SHRM Recertification Provider Team, if any of your program information has changed at RecertificationProvider@shrm.org.
- Activity IDs should not be sent to registrants before a program starts. Activity IDs should be provided only to participants who completed the program. The Activity ID can be communicated through a certificate of completion, email notification or onsite program information.
- When giving out the Activity ID to attendees, please use the CONSOLAS font type, as it is the best font for distinguishing between letters and numerals (e.g., O and 0; I and 1; S and 5, etc.).

Program Types/Formats

- **Virtual Learning (Real-time) Programs**
  Virtual programs require a live instructor as well as real-time/live interaction and engagement with the instructor and/or other students. Virtual Learning includes webinars and webcasts that require real-time/live (not recorded) interaction.

- **eLearning/Self-Paced Programs**
  eLearning/self-paced programs are programs that do not require real-time/live interaction or engagement with an instructor or other participants. eLearning/self-paced programs include passive learning activities such as videoconferences, webcasts, audiocasts, podcasts, eBooks, and SHRM approved books.

- If you have a Virtual Learning program that is also offered as eLearning/self-paced, treat them as two separate program formats, and add them to your portal as separate programs.

- If you offer a recurring program (a live seminar/workshop or Virtual Learning), please select the Recurring program type, set a begin/end date range not to exceed your current provider status (cycle end date). A recurring program has the same content but is delivered at different times/locations.

- For all eLearning/self-paced programs (whether recurring or one-time), select the eLearning program type.
Steps for Adding Your Provider Activities/Programs

1. Go to https://portal.shrm.org and click Login.

2. Enter your email address and password for your Provider account and click SIGN IN.
3. Click the Course List link in the “Recertification Provider” section.

4. Click Add an Activity at the top of the page to begin entering programs.

Please note the following for Conference PDC submission:
- Easier to create one Activity with a total PDC amount for the entire day/multi-day event – calculate the number of hours in a given day (minus breaks & lunch) that you’re actually providing HR opportunities for folks to engage/learn at your event. Award numbers of hours (PDCs) in a day people are interacting/learning instead of individual and/or concurrent sessions. Cannot loop in concurrent sessions or individual sessions to award a large PDC count. You will need to have attendance mechanism in place to track each individual if they completed all of the sessions to be able to award a large PDC count.

Conference Live sessions (includes concurrent) and On-demand sessions:
- If you’re offering individual or concurrent or recorded(on-demand) sessions for PDC - this would be a whole different grouping, different unique activity codes. When submitting an activity/session, suggest adding in the Course name “Live” or “On-demand” to differentiate/separate the activities AND span out the end date the recording will be available to view/listen to not exceed your current provider status(cycle end date).

You would need to pick one or the other (can’t do a hybrid of both ways) when submitting an event for PDC. Again, can’t loop in the live and individual/concurrent sessions and/or on-demand sessions into one Activity for one code and award a large PDC amount. Also note, when providing the code(s), ensure certificants are not double dipping by having attendance tracking mechanism in place to monitor participation(registration/completion) to award appropriate PDC at the end of event and able to track attendees who attend part or individual sessions or the entire conference. You’d create activity code(s) accordingly based on those conditions and provide to attendees. Please retain attendance records in the event of verification for up to three years.
5. Enter the overall “Course” information. You will need the following:
   a. **Course Name** (do not exceed 250 characters).
   b. **Intended Audience** (select from drop down menu).
   c. **PDC**: The number of professional development credits (PDCs). Only instructional clock hours count as credits. Do not include registrations, welcomes/introductions, lunch, networks time, and breaks. Award credit based on the actual educational time spent in the program. Time is calculated in 15-minute increments. Each 15-minute increment = .25, or a quarter of 1 PDC (e.g. 30-minutes = .50, 45-minutes = .75, 1-hour webinar = 1 PDC, etc.). If you have a program that offers more than 45 PDCs, enter the capped amount 45 PDCs, then contact the SHRM Recertification Provider Team include the Activity code and explanation for editing the PDC above the capped amount at RecertificationProvider@shrm.org.
   d. **Description**: A brief description of the overall course (do not exceed 10,000 characters).

Please Note:
- The **Course Name** and the **Activity Name** (next steps) may be the same.
- A course may have several activities/programs, as long as each activity has the same number of PDCs and intended audience as the parent course.
- If the PDCs of an activity/program is different than the PDCs of an existing course, then add that activity/program under a separate, new course, since the PDCs of an activity/program must be the same as the PDCs of the parent course.
- The activity/program/class is what you add to obtain the Activity ID, as indicated in step 6 below.
- If you exceed any of the character limits (including spaces, letter, numbers, and special characters) indicated for the fields in step 6, you will have to start all over.

6. To add an activity/program/class information, you will enter the specific activity/program/class...
details. For this section you will need the following:

a. **Activity Format**: Choose the program/activity delivery method/type from the drop-down options.
b. **Activity Name**: Generally, the same as the **Course** title (do not exceed 250 characters).
c. **Begin and End Date**: Scheduled future date of the program. Class End Date and recurring programs, you may enter an End Date not exceeding your provider status(cycle end date).
d. **Speaker Name(s)**: Name and credentials only (do not exceed 700 characters).
e. **Registration URL**: If no URL exists for the program, enter the URL for the Provider or organization’s website. The URL is where registrants will obtain full program details and/register for your program.
f. **Learning Objectives**: A summary or bullet points of the main learning objectives (do not exceed 2000 characters).
g. **Activity Description**: do not exceed 10,000 characters.
h. **Publish to Portal**: Select “Yes” puts this out to public domain, allows anyone to register/participate in the program. Select “No” if program/event is closed to general public (e.g. by invitation only, internal courses, etc.).

i. **Activity Location**: Enter the location information for the event/program/activity. For Virtual Learning, eLearning, books, other passive program types, or recurring programs in several location concurrently, enter the location information of your organization.
7. **SHRM BASK Representation**: Lastly, you will select at least one of the various SHRM BASK Competencies and/or Functional Areas that your program aligns with and then click **Save**.

8. After you successfully enter your program, you will see the **Activity ID** (example below), which you will communicate to attendees who complete the event and who are seeking SHRM PDCs.
Please Note:
If you need to locate your Activity ID on the portal at a later time. Log into the portal - on your Home page click Course List link (located under Recertification Provider Menu section), on the Recertification Provider Course/Activity ADD page click View Activity List button and under the Activity Name/Title, you’ll see the Activity ID code.

Congratulations on adding your program successfully to offer SHRM PDCs!

Thank You

For assistance about the SHRM Recertification Provider Program, please contact the SHRM Recertification Provider Team by email at RecertificationProvider@shrm.org or by phone 1-800-283-SHRM(7476) option 3.