

# THE CANADIAN FEDERATION OF CONSTRUCTION SAFETY ASSOCIATIONS

## Who we are

The Canadian Federation of Construction Safety Associations (CFCSA) is a national umbrella organization representing Canada's provincial and territorial construction safety associations.

The CFCSA's 13 member organizations are:

- Alberta Construction Safety Association (**ACSA**)
- Association sectorielle paritaire secteur construction (**ASP Construction**)
- BC Construction Safety Alliance (**BCCSA**)
- Construction Safety Association of Manitoba (**CSAM**)
- Construction Safety Nova Scotia (**CSNS**)
- Heavy Construction Safety Association of Saskatchewan (**HCSAS**)
- Infrastructure Health & Safety Association (**IHSA**)
- Manitoba Heavy Construction Association (**MHCA**)
- New Brunswick Construction Safety Association (**NBCSA**)
- Newfoundland & Labrador Construction Safety Association (**NLCSA**)
- Northern Safety Association (**NSA**)
- Northern Safety Network Yukon (**NSNY**)
- Saskatchewan Construction Safety Association (**SCSA**)

CFCSA members attend an annual national conference held in turn in each jurisdiction.

## Our purpose

The CFCSA exists to develop strategies to promote awareness of construction health and safety, share information among members, and produce workplace health and safety training standards and information resources. The CFCSA also works to harmonize standards from the ground up where no national standards exist and assists its members in negotiating regulatory differences between jurisdictions.

Members of several designated technical committees meet throughout the year to support these goals.

## Our programs

The CFCSA shepherds three national accreditation programs.

**COR**<sup>®</sup>, an occupational safety and health accreditation program that has been in existence for 30 years, verifies a fully implemented safety and health management system that meets national standards. Currently, more than 10,700 companies across the country have achieved COR<sup>®</sup> certification.

To ensure national recognition of COR<sup>®</sup> accreditation achieved by companies in their own jurisdiction, the CFCSA offers a memorandum of understanding between members. Providing a simple path for reciprocity, each jurisdiction may issue letters to confirm that accreditation, allowing companies to bid on any project requiring COR<sup>®</sup> certification in jurisdictions in which they have no permanent base of operations.

The **National Construction Safety Officer (NCSO®)** and **National Health and Safety Administrator (NHSA™)** certifications were developed to serve similar goals for different types of safety practitioners.

The **NCSO®** designation recognizes the skills of people who perform a safety function in the field. This certification requires three years of practical construction-related experience in Canada within the last 10 years.

The **NHSA™** designation recognizes the practical and theoretical knowledge of people who perform safety functions from their offices. This includes administrators and human resource professionals who manage claims, promote safety, ensure compliance with regulations, and maintain safety records and statistics.

### **For Additional Information**

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