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# NYSACSP

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**\*\*~HAPPY HOLIDAYS~\*\***

## President's Report Fall / Winter 2005

By Wilhelmina Jones, NYSACSP President

As 2005 nears its end and we begin to rejuvenate our energies for 2006, let's reflect on the momentous efforts during 2005:

### NYSACSP Goals

- Promote DOH regulation changes to achieve mandatory certification
- Establish contact within the DOH and Government officials
- Make our group known by law makers and regulatory agencies
- Invest in promoting our profession and educate the public regarding the CS Profession
- Collect statistical information
- Provide education opportunities leading to certification
- Increase funds to promote CS Professional education

### Why Mandatory Certification?

- New AMMI standards
- Our profession has evolved and more technical
- New JCAHO Patient Safety goals
- Following our NJ neighbors
- We are raising the bar as *professionals*

## Mandatory Certification Efforts

### YOU'RE NYSACSP Delegates at Work

**April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005** – A meeting was held with Assemblyman Kenneth Gottfried

**April 14, 2005** NYSACSP delegates attend a reception honoring the NYS Governor and was introduced to the DOH Commissioner Honorable Dr. Antonia Novello and Governor George Pataki

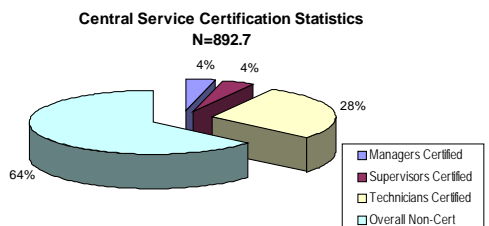
**April 15-17<sup>th</sup>, 2005** attended the "Somos El Futuro" Conference in which we met with several elected officials

**June 9, 2005** – Meeting held with representative from NYS Governors Office

### Invest in Promoting our Profession

- Latest issues on certification
- Organization's Newsletter
- Created a website
- Local CS chapters information
- Sample JD's
- Job openings in the NY area

## Collect CS Professionals Statistical Information



What is Next?  
2006

- Pursue DOH regulation changes
- Schedule formal meeting with the NY DOH Commissioner
- Continue to maintain the rapport establish at the State Level
- Promote educational grants
- Promote the list of free resources available for certification CEU's
- Expand the resources available through our website
- Plan next year's Annual Educational Seminar

Have a healthy and safe New Year

Wilhelmina Jones  
NYSACSP President

### CEU Options / Opportunities

#### YOU CAN GET CEUS FOR ATTENDING:

- Your monthly/weekly staff meetings as long as there is an educational component.
- Inservices on new equipment count, updates on new equipment, annual review of equipment operations, and policy and procedure review, etc... Just apply!
- Go to the NYSACSP website for more educational opportunities.
- Infection Control Magazine
- Call your manufacturer's, they offer programs in your facility
- 3M, ASP, iceinstitute.com also have inservices
- Check with your local chapter, they offer educational programs

**SCHOLARSHIPS & FINANCIAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**  
These opportunities are available by visiting the company website:

**Kimguard Wrap Contest**  
**Sterilization Wrap Contest**  
**Win \$1000 for your department by participating in Kimberly-Clark's Kimguard Sterilization Wrap Contest.**

**Healthmarks SPD (Sterile Process Dollars)**  
**Also if you are looking for educational money you can also check out Healthmark's SPD (Sterile Process Dollars) link.**

**SPSmedical Scholarship**  
**SPSmedical offers educational scholarships monthly by logging onto their website:**

Opportunities to acquire CEUs are abundant if you care to search them out. They are also free in many instances.

A new website hosted by Natalie Lind offers great reading and free CEUs for completing an online educational program. Her new website is:

[www.e-cspd.com](http://www.e-cspd.com) Check it out!

Contact Information:  
[Natalie@e-CSPD.com](mailto:Natalie@e-CSPD.com)

For CS Technical Questions you can email the experts at:  
[Experts@e-CSPD.com](mailto:Experts@e-CSPD.com)



# National Certification Information

*Editor's Note: Reprinted Continuously*

*Technicians may seek certification through two National Associations*



### The International Association of Healthcare Central Service Materiel Management's

website provides information about CS related issues as well as educational materials and opportunities to network with other sterile processing professionals through the online "Forum". Certification information is available through the site. [www.iahcsmm.org](http://www.iahcsmm.org)

**(800) 962-8274**  
**Fax: (312) 440-9474**  
**Postal Address:**  
**213 W. Institute Place, Suite 307,**  
**Chicago, IL 60610**  
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IAHCSMM has two options techs may pursue; Technicians may purchase the Purdue University Program or they may purchase the "Boxed" program directly from IAHCSMM. The IAHCSMM course includes the workbook and the textbook for studying.



**The American Society of Healthcare Central Service Professional's Website...**

has opportunities and options for certification and CEUs. The American Society for Healthcare Central Service Professionals is located in Chicago Illinois. Office hours are 8:30am to 5:00pm, Central Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

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ASHCSP's Website:  
[www.ashcsp.org](http://www.ashcsp.org)

ASHCSP offers a workbook and textbook to study to take the certification exam through:

Certification Board for Sterile Processing and Distribution (CBSPD)  
[www.sterileprocessing.org](http://www.sterileprocessing.org)

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm Eastern Time  
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**National Seminars & Programs**

IAHCSPM 2006 Annual Meeting  
**Las Vegas , Nevada**  
Sunday- May 21 to Thursday - May 25, 2006

ASHCSP 2006  
Top-notch program will take place September 23-26 on the Connecticut seaboard at the **Mohegan Sun!**

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JOIN US FOR "CIRCA 1800"

*Welcoming reception: Friday June 9, 2006  
5-7pm, light food, cash bar, music.*



*Your invited & bring your co-workers:*

*“CIRCA 1800”*

**NYSACSP’s 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR AND VENDOR EXHIBITS**

Niagara Falls Convention Center, Niagara Falls, NY

June 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, 2005

Hotel: Four Point Sheraton

Hotel rate: \$89.00 per person per night

Welcoming reception: Friday June 9, 2006 5-7pm light food, cash bar, music.

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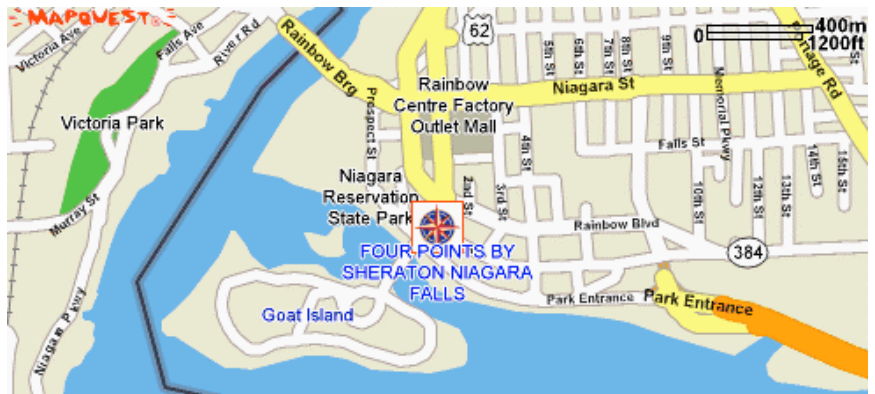
# 2006 Educational Seminar

Come be a part of the 2006 NYSACSP Educational Seminar & Vendor Exhibit to be held again at the beautiful Niagara Falls Convention Center. Bring your family as we have arranged for a \$100 discount\* off the room rate for 2 days prior thru 2 days after the NYSACSP Conference.

Dates: June 9-10, 2006  
Location: NF Convention Center  
Hotel: Sheraton Four Points  
114 Buffalo Avenue  
716-285-2521  
Rate: \$89.00/night\*



More information available at:  
[www.nysacsp.org](http://www.nysacsp.org)

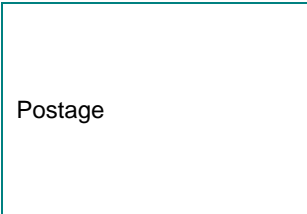


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