



Applied Science
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CONSTRUCTION SAFETY OFFICER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

IMPORTANT NEWS

As you may be aware The Applied Science Technologists and Technicians of BC (ASTTBC) and The BC Construction Safety Alliance (BCCSA) have been holding exploratory discussions around the future of certifications for construction safety practitioners in BC.

ASTTBC as a Professional Regulatory body has been mandated to govern and administer the CSO Certification Program since 1995 and currently awards certification and the title of Construction Safety Officer (CSO) to applicants meeting the required standard of training and experience.

BCCSA is a Provincial Construction Industry Association engaged to deliver the Certificate Of Recognition (COR) Program and issue the Construction Safety Specialist (CSS) designation on behalf of Worksafe BC.

At the moment the two designations (CSO and CSS) acknowledge slightly different but similar levels of training and experience and deliver practitioners for similar roles in the construction industry.

Both ASTTBC and BCCSA believe there may be considerable value in removing some of the confusion that exists with the use of two designations.

The discussions between our two associations are aimed at ensuring the needs of industry are met while protecting the integrity and proper governance of any new construction safety practitioner certification program that may evolve.

Please watch for news on these discussions at; ***www.asttbc.org***

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