INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENT FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS

October 28, 2026
PASTIDES ALUMNI CENTER AT USC

You must be present for the entire class period to receive transcript credit. Registrants who do not attend the session or who leave early will not receive credit for their certificate. It is your responsibility to complete and return the record of attendance that your instructor will distribute at the end of the class. Credits are valid for four years. If a county official does not graduate within the four-year period, expired credits will be removed from his/her record. Participants are eligible to earn credit for Level II courses after taking at least six Level I courses and Advanced courses after taking at least six Level II courses.

8:30 A.M.–10:30 A.M.	**Registration– *Prefunction Area***
9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	**Level I: Leading and Conducting Meetings [E]***
	Ballroom 1A
Instructors:	*John DeLoache, Senior Attorney* *South Carolina Association of Counties*
	Liz Guthridge, Facilitator/Professional Registered Parliamentarian *Connect Consulting Group*
9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	**Level II: County Audits and Annual Financial Reports**
	Ballroom 2
Instructors:	*Grant Davis, Partner* *Maudin and Jenkins*
	Steffanie Dorn, Deputy County Manager of Finance *Greenwood County*
9:00.–11:00 A.M.	**Advanced: Protecting County Resources: Risk Management**
	Ballroom 3
Instructors:	*Robert Benfield, Director of Insurance Services* *South Carolina Association of Counties*
	Van Henson, Director of Risk Management Services *South Carolina Association of Counties*
12:00 NOON -1:00 P.M.	**Boxed Lunches – Registered Institute Participants and Instructors Only**
1:00-4:00 P.M.	**Level I: Building an Effective County Team [E]**
	Ballroom 1A
Instructor:	*Maren Trochmann, Director of Professional Development* *Joseph P. Riley Jr. Center for Livable Communities, College of Charleston*
1:00-4:00 P.M.	**Level II: Emergency Management 101: Roles and Responsibilities**
	Ballroom 2
Instructor:	*Bethany Morton, Region Three Emergency Manager* *South Carolina Emergency Management Division*
Panelists:	*Brandon Ellis, Georgetown County Assistant County Administrator / Emergency Management* *Sam Hodge, Horry County Emergency Management Director* *Josh Morton, Saluda County Emergency Management Director*

[R]–Level I Required Course
[E]–Level I Elective Course
**Approved for three hours of continuing education credit for planning/zoning officials and employees*

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