



What is NASBA?

The National Association of State Boards of Accountancy | www.nasba.org

Since 1908, NASBA has served as a forum for the nation's 55 State Boards of Accountancy, which administer the Uniform CPA Examination, license more than 650,000 Certified Public Accountants and regulate the practice of public accountancy in the United States.

NASBA accomplishes its mission of enhancing the effectiveness and advancing the common interests of the Boards of Accountancy by creating innovative avenues for accounting regulators, educators, and practitioners alike to address emerging issues relevant to the viability of the accounting profession. NASBA also makes available to member boards a rich portfolio of products and services – all designed to effectively aid Boards of Accountancy in their mission of ensuring public protection.

As an extension of NASBA's core mission, the [NASBA Center for the Public Trust](#) (CPT) continues to provide a platform for corporate America, academia, and the accounting profession to explore, promote and advance ethical behavior through business and leadership.

The Benefit of NASBA Qualified CPE

NASBA is committed to the development of quality CPE (continuing professional education). To support this mission, it maintains a registry of CPE sponsors also dedicated to the promotion of the "highest caliber, innovative continue professional education for lifelong learning". CMTA is demonstrably committed to the same as evidenced by CMTA's admission to NASBA's registry of sponsors.

As an approved sponsor, CMTA develops content according to the NASBA guidelines. CPE developed by NASBA sponsors is typically accepted by state boards as qualified CPE for CPA's.

Certification versus Designation?

Certifications and designations are awarded by a wide range of professional organizations. Typically, designations cover a broader topic area, prerequisites to sit for the designation, and continuing education requirements. Often, designation holders must agree to a code of ethics. Certifications typically cover a narrower topic area and do not have ongoing requirements to maintain.

Financial Designations Commonly seen in the Public Sector

CFA® - Chartered Financial Analyst | www.cfainstitute.org

CFP™ – Certified Financial Planner | www.cfp.net

CTP™ - Certified Treasury Professional | www.afponline.org

CCMT – Certified California Municipal Treasurer | www.cmta.org

CGIP – Certified Government Investment Professional | www.gioa.us

CPFO - Certified Public Finance Officer | www.gfoa.org

FINRA Database

FINRA Searchable Directory - <https://www.finra.org/investors/professional-designations/>

Over 200 designations are listed. Sponsoring organizations apply to be included on the registry and are not endorsed by FINRA. Designations listed above may or may not be listed.