



# Green, Healthy Cleaning/GS 42 and CIMS GB Certification Training

## Overview

# Module 1: The new janitorial world

Your staff may not realize it, but they have the potential to contribute to the overall health of the public. Module 1 introduces you to the health advantages of green cleaning, current standards, and how green cleaning can help benefit your company. Most importantly, this module explains how your significant contribution to better public health and wellness serves to elevate the job of cleaning to a higher level of professionalism and respect.

#### Module 2: Developing compliant procedure manuals

Green Seal™ and Cleaning Industry Management Standard (CIMS) certification require a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP), and Green Seal also requires a site-specific manual for each site you clean. Module 2 takes you through the steps toward a successful procedure manual, and what requirements need to be met so that by the end of the program you have a strong idea of what your procedure manual needs to include.

#### Module 3: Implementing a green cleaning program

Executing a green cleaning program requires a combination of team building, expert training and organization. Module 3 provides the green cleaning game plan, including techniques to get everybody on board and instruction for organizing all supplies and products. The second part of Module 3 offers instruction on recycling procedures and the benefits of choosing green paper.

# Module 4: Choosing green equipment and products

GS-42 certification requires equipment and product standards that promote a healthy environment. Module 4 explains the lifecycle of cleaning equipment, such as vacuum cleaners, power scrubbers, micro-fiber products, etc. and their impact on the environment. Module 4 also includes a demonstration lab in which attendees can try out industry-standard green cleaning equipment.

## Module 5: Executing green, healthy cleaning procedures

Your environment, whether an entire campus or a specific building, is unique. Module 5 breaks down the handson procedures for using green cleaning products in your environment. Uniquely tailored to your training group, Module 5 uses your building(s) as a case study and provides a step-by-step walk-through of the procedures you'll need to go green. Module 5 also takes a strategic view of working with vulnerable populations (e.g., people with allergies, asthma and related health conditions) and how to identify these people without infringing on their privacy.

### Module 6: Achieving effective stewardship and communication

No green cleaning program can achieve optimal results without effective stewardship and strategies for communicating differentiation. Based on the ASTM standards for stewardship, Module 6 covers the steps to maintaining a green cleaning program through inspections, surveys and other techniques that ensure continuity and compliance for the GS-42 and/or CIMS standards. Module 6 also provides instruction on building a successful communication program as required under both Green Seal™ and LEED standards, which includes effective supervisory skills and ways to promote program benefits to a wide range of targets.