

AASECT CE Provider Categories and Expectations

An AASECT Continuing Education (CE) Provider is an individual or organization, approved by AASECT and committed to providing education that meets AASECT standards for helping individuals earn or maintain their AASECT Certification credential. AASECT CE Providers are responsible for properly representing all AASECT guidelines, procedures, and standards.

Individual Provider – An Individual Provider must be an AASECT Certified Member and must present at least 80% of the training of each event. (Note: if you are presenting your training with a partner who is presenting more than 20% of the total material you must apply to be an Organizational Provider.)

Organizational Provider I – An individual, group of individuals, private training center, school, accredited university/college, or other organization. Organizational Providers must have an AASECT Certified Member overseeing the planning of all training. The Organizational Provider I offers **40 or fewer AASECT CE credits per year** and uses more than one expert to deliver the training.

Organizational Provider II – An individual, group of individuals, private training center, school, accredited university/college, or other organization. Organizational Providers must have an AASECT Certified Member overseeing the planning of the training. The Organizational Provider II offers **more than 40 AASECT CE credits per year** and uses more than one expert to deliver the training.

Procedural Guidelines:

- AASECT CE Providers must maintain documentation of programs offered for **seven years**, including:
 - Program Objectives
 - Syllabi/Outlines
 - Evaluation
 - Rosters

This seven-year requirement aligns with the AASECT Code of Ethics and members' needs or certification renewal. AASECT may conduct periodic reviews of CE Provider's documents, as part of the process of evaluating training.

- Once an event has concluded, AASECT CE Providers must collect an evaluation from each attendee. Once the evaluation has been collected, the AASECT CE Provider can send the attendee a PDF version of the CE Provider's personalized AASECT CE Certificate.
- AASECT CE Providers are not required to submit event information to AASECT until their renewal (every 2 years).
- If you would like your event(s) advertised on the AASECT Website, complete the [AASECT CE Calendar Submission Form](#). Your event(s) will then be added to the AASECT CE calendar on the aasect.org website.



Advertising and CE Credits

When advertising your events, please use the following verbiage:

- “This program meets the requirements of the American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists (AASECT) and is approved for CE credits. These CE credits may be applied toward AASECT certification and renewal of certification.”

When calculating CE credits, please use the following information:

- 60 minutes = 1 CE credit; 90 minutes = 1.5 CE credits.
 - Each credit hour must have one learning objective
 - Increments of 15 or 45 minutes are not permitted for 0.25 or 0.75 credits. For example, a segment scheduled for 1 hour 15 minutes will count as 1 credit; a segment scheduled for 1 hour 45 minutes will count as 1.5 credits.

AASECT Certification Disclaimer

Please note, AASECT Certification is not automatic. In all cases, the Certification Committee determines whether or not AASECT certification is awarded.

The Certification Committee recommended, and the BOD approved the following disclaimer. Please put this wording on your on-line advertisements, brochures and other training materials: **“Completion of this program does not ensure or guarantee AASECT certification. For further information please contact info@aasect.org.”**

Acknowledgement of Stipulations and Liability Release for AASECT Approved Providers

The American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists does not assume in any way, financial, legal or any other liability for programs conducted by providers. As an AASECT Approved Provider, you/your organization are expected to:

- Abide by the stipulations as outlined.
- Carry out marketing, promotion, and educational instruction in a professional way, consistent with the ethical/professional standards of AASECT.

Presenter Guidelines for AASECT Presentations that Include Live Demonstrations

In order to create the greatest opportunities for learning while respecting various learning styles as well as a spectrum of sensibilities, please follow the following guidelines for AASECT presentations that show or have live demonstrations.

- While it is understood that at times, live demonstrations of anatomical functions, medical procedures or exams, pleasure enhancement or the like may sometimes involve nudity, no nudity should happen at an AASECT CE event without the **prior written consent** of all attendees. This means the following:
 - Attendees must be made aware of the presence of nudity **prior to registration** for the event. It is unacceptable and unethical to initially inform attendees of nudity at the beginning of a presentation.
 - All who attend must be made aware of
 - the fact that there may be nudity for the purpose of demonstration,
 - the nature of the nudity,
 - the fact that viewing of the nudity is optional for all participants.
 - If the nature of the presentation is such that the nudity is basic to the presentation and therefore not reasonably optional, this fact should be made clear so that the potential attendee may make an informed decision **prior to registration**.
 - Attendees must sign informed consent specifying the above, in accordance with the particulars of your event.
 - Because the attendees must have prior, written consent, nudity should not be present at AASECT conference CE events.
- Demonstrations of kink/BDSM/power dynamics should take into account various sensibilities in that demonstrators shall be cognizant of the possibilities for activating trauma in attendees. Therefore, demonstrators at AASECT functions shall follow these guidelines:
 - Attendees must be made aware of the nature of the material and demonstrations **prior to registration** for the event. It is not acceptable to initially inform attendees at the beginning of a presentation.
 - All who attend must be made aware of
 - the fact that there will be live demonstrations,
 - the nature of the demonstrations,
 - the fact that viewing of the demonstration is optional for all participants.
 - If the nature of the presentation is such that the demonstration is basic to the presentation and therefore not reasonably optional, this fact should be made clear so that the potential attendee may make an informed decision **prior to registration**.
 - Demonstration “tops” and “bottoms” should be presenters who have negotiated with each other prior to the event the nature of their demonstration. Taking volunteers out of the audience is not advised.