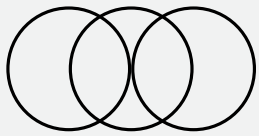
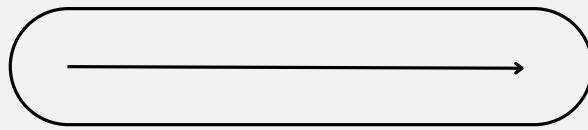


ACVP



STUDY GUIDE

Your ACVP Study Guide

I. Organizational History & Identity

1. **Founding Year:** The organization was founded in **1957**.

Original Name: It was originally founded as the **National Board of Respiratory and Cardiovascular Technologists**.

The "ACVP" Transition: The name was officially changed to the **Alliance of Cardiovascular Professionals (ACVP)** in **1993** when the **National Society of Cardiovascular Technologists** merged with the **American College of Cardiovascular Invasive Specialists**.

Abbreviation: ACVP stands for **The Alliance of Cardiovascular Professionals**.

Incorporated Organizations: Over time, ACVP has incorporated several groups, including:

- **1988:** NBRCT + NACT.
- **1993:** Added ACCIS, which became NSCT.
- **2018:** NSCT + SICP = ACVP.

Other Past Names: ACVP has previously been known as:

- National Alliance of Cardiovascular Technologists.
 - National Board of Respiratory and Cardiovascular Technologists.
 - American College of Cardiovascular Invasive Specialists.
 - National Society of Cardiovascular Technologists.
 - Society of Invasive Cardiovascular Professionals.
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II. Membership & Professional Development

1. **Who We Serve:** ACVP supports all non-physician professionals under the cardiovascular umbrella, including **Registered Nurses, ALL Cardiovascular Technologists,** and **Radiologic Technologists.**

Who We Do NOT Serve: The association does **NOT** explicitly serve **Physicians/Doctors (MDs).**

ACVP Fellowship: To qualify for a Fellowship, you must maintain a minimum of **5 years** of continuous membership.

Membership Types: Available options include **Individual/Professional, Institutional, Schools,** and **Strategic Partners/Suppliers.**

State Outreach: ACVP currently has State Captains in **CO, FL, GA, ID, PA, MD, ME, and TX**

1. SQPC is always looking for more State Captains – all 50 states can have representation

Preceptors: Institutional and School Members submit Preceptor applications for FREE – only a \$45 fee is required annually for preceptor status. Members also only pay \$45 annually for preceptor status, with a \$100 application fee. Nonmembers can apply for preceptor credit for \$450 in total.

There is **no limit** on submitting preceptor credits to ACVP.

III. Education & Accreditation

1. **Education Accreditation Service:** The official service is called **Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Continuing Education (CaPCE).**

CaPCE Approval: One application automatically approves **3 groups** of

cardiovascular professionals. – CVTs, RNs, and Radiologic Technologists.
CaPCE can also handle other accreditation applications for a small extra fee

CVCEU Resources:

2. Currently, there are **35 different courses** available.

There is a total of **31 hours of CE** currently available.

Non-members have access to **5 FREE courses**.

CE Festivals: ACVP offered **4 CE Festivals** in 2025.

- Anyone can reach out to host a CE Festival with ACVP
- There is no charge for partnering with ACVP to host a CE Fest – that's over \$2000 in value!

3. Continuing Education Facts:

- The first **Barry Rutherford Continuing Education Festival** was held in **2021**.
- ACVP Partnered with 3 organizations to offer 4 CE Festivals in 2025
 - St. Luke's MidAmerica Heart Center – 4th Annual Barry Rutherford Continuing Education Festival; February 2025
 - Piedmont Atlanta Hospital – the ACVP & Piedmont Continuing Education Festival; March 2025
 - UNC Rex Heart Hospital – the 5th Annual ACVP & UNC Rex Heart and Vascular Symposium; June 2025
 - Piedmont Atlanta Hospital – The ACVP & Piedmont Winter Continuing Education Festival; December 2025
- As of February 2026, ACVP has 3 CE Festivals scheduled with 3 partners:
 - Dave Strelow – 5th Annual Barry Rutherford Continuing Education Festival; February 14, 2026
 - St. Phillips' College – the ACVP & Phillips Continuing Education Festival; March 21, 2026
 - UNC Rex Heart Hospital – the 6th Annual ACVP & UNC Rex Heart & Vascular Symposium; June 5, 2026

IV. Events & Governance

1. **Annual Timing: CVP Week** occurs every year during the **week of Valentine's**

Day. CVP Week is a **federally recognized** week

Council Information: There are currently **2 active ACVP councils:**

- **State Quality Practice Council (SQPC):** Meets the **last Thursday of every odd month.**
- **Educators' Council:** Meets the **second Tuesday of every odd month.**

2025 Milestones:

1. **Summit:** The first in-person Educators' Summit took place at **Sentara College of Health Sciences in Chesapeake, VA.**
Partners: 2025 CE Festival partners included **St. Lukes, Piedmont Atlanta,** and **UNC Rex.**

2026 Events:

1. ACVP Cath Lab Supply Chain Management 6-part Web Series – January 28, February 18, March 11, April 1, April 22, May 13
2. CVP Week 2026: Driven by Heart, Guided by Skill – February 7-15
3. ACVP 5th Annual Barry Rutherford Continuing Education Festival – February 14
4. ACVP & St. Phillips College Continuing Education Festival – March 21
5. ACVP & UNC Rex 6th Annual Heart and Vascular Symposium – June 5
6. ***More to be announced soon!***

Future Planning: The **2026 Educators' Summit** is planned for **October.**

Digital Presence:

- **Social Media:** ACVP is active on **LinkedIn, Instagram, and Facebook.**
- **Meetings:** Since 2022, the primary virtual meeting platform has been **Google Meet.**