



SMS certification offers professional and competitive advantages across the board.

The Seating and Mobility Specialist (SMS) credential is an advanced certification that builds on the baseline Assistive Technology Professional (ATP) credential. The SMS credential recognizes and identifies professionals with advanced knowledge and experience in the field of seating and mobility.

Not only does the SMS certification provide an opportunity for seating and mobility specialists to validate their expertise, it also enables professionals, third-party payers and those in need of services to identify and recognize qualified specialist.

**Experience the SMS advantage.
Visit www.resna.org/certification.**

About RESNA Certification

The RESNA Certification Program is a member of the Institute for Credentialing Excellence (ICE) and complies with the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) accreditation standards of excellence for voluntary certification programs.

About RESNA

RESNA, the Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America, is the premier professional organization dedicated to promoting the health and well-being of people with disabilities through increasing access to technology solutions. RESNA advances the field by offering certification, continuing education, and professional development; developing assistive technology standards; promoting research and public policy; and sponsoring forums for the exchange of information and ideas to meet the needs of our multidisciplinary constituency.

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RESNA's SMS certification allows professionals who have dedicated their practices to seating and mobility tangible and intangible benefits that include external validation and recognition from RESNA, reinforcement of lifelong learning, and professional distinction that assists with career advancement.

The SMS Standard

Professional clinicians and suppliers who work with complex rehabilitation clients, comprehend disease progression, are proficient with custom seating, and are knowledgeable about wheeled mobility technologies and electronics are encouraged to consider taking the SMS exam. Eligible candidates must have:

- An Assistive Technology Professional (ATP) certification in good standing
- At least 1,000 hours of direct, in-person consumer service delivery experience in seating and mobility
- Initiative in a number of professional service categories

Designed to test candidates' ability to use knowledge required in daily practice, the standardized 165-question computerized exam includes case studies, videos and photographs, and covers five major domain areas:

- Performance of seating and mobility assessment
- Funding resources, coverage and payment
- Implementation of intervention
- Outcome assessment and follow-up
- Professional behavior

The Recognition Advantage

Earning the SMS certification opens an array of opportunities for credentialed ATP/SMS professionals. Advantages to certificants may include:

- Prestige and designation as a dedicated expert in the field of seating and mobility
- Recognition for lifelong learning spent developing seating and mobility knowledge, skills and expertise
- Ease of identification and access for professional referral sources and individuals seeking specialty seating and mobility services
- Potential competitive advantage or employment opportunities and career advancement

People in need of seating and mobility services may prefer to work with professionals who have earned the SMS certification because the credential recognizes people highly committed to – and experienced in – this specialized field.

The Quality Advantage

The ATP/SMS title is a symbol of quality. Those requiring seating and mobility services may request ATP/SMS professionals who:

- Have demonstrated work experience, specialty training and education in seating and mobility
- Are dedicated to practicing at the highest level
- Have participated in professional activities dedicated to advancing the field
- Engage in ongoing continuing education and work experience that promote current knowledge and best practices



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For more information about earning the Seating and Mobility Specialist certification, or to locate an ATP/SMS professional, please visit www.resna.org/certification.

“Quantum is very proud of our emphasis on ATP/SMS certification for our complex rehab team members. We believe that field representation with ATP/SMS certifications offers our complex rehab providers and consumers the highest level of professionally-based service.”

– Julie Piriano, PT, ATP/SMS, Director of Rehab Industry Affairs, Quantum Rehab

“I love a challenge, and feel I push myself to stay current and get the best outcomes for the individuals I work with.”

– Mary O'Connell, PT, ATP/SMS, Missoula, Montana