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## **EMERGENCY MANAGERS RECEIVE C.E.M.<sup>®</sup> CREDENTIAL**

Forty-six candidates have been approved by the IAEM Certification Commission to receive the Certified Emergency Manager<sup>®</sup> (CEM<sup>®</sup>) credential (*editors: see the attached list to use as a sidebar*).

The CEM<sup>®</sup> designation is the highest honor of professional achievement available from the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM), which has in its membership more than 4,500 emergency managers representing local, state, and federal government; private industry; and military emergency managers. The new class of CEM<sup>®</sup>'s join the 1,358 other emergency managers who were approved for the designation since January, 1993 bringing the total number of Certified Emergency Managers<sup>®</sup> to 1,404.

### **Commission, Requirements**

IAEM administers the program for the profession, and policy decisions and judgments are made by a Commission of 19 respected professionals in the field. The Commission met September 30 – October 2, 2009 and approved applicants who successfully completed an extensive credentials package, a management essay and a written examination. The credentials requirements include experience, references, education, training, and contributions to the profession. The management essay requires respondents to submit a response to a scenario they might face while fulfilling emergency management responsibilities.

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To maintain certification, CEM<sup>®</sup> recipients must submit additional training and contributions to the professional every five years.

## CEM<sup>®</sup> Program

The emergency management certification program was developed over the last several years by IAEM with funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and guidance from an advisory board which included professionals from a variety of disciplines and representatives of key groups with a stake in emergency management.

Below: List of September 30 – October 2, 2009 CEM Recipients

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## Certified Emergency Managers<sup>®</sup>

**Felix Acevedo, Jr., CEM**

Veteran's Affaris's Southern NV  
HN  
North Las Vegas, NV

**Kathy L. Dayhoff-Dwyer, CEM**

Indiana Dept. of Homeland  
Security  
Columbus, IN

**Eliza M. Gregory, CEM**

Arizona Department of Health  
Svcs.  
Phoenix, AZ

**Henrietta T Alleman, CEM**

East Baton Rouge Parish Ofc. of  
Homeland Security  
Baton Rouge, LA

**Joseph A. DeLane, Jr., CEM**

Rockwall County, Texas  
Rockwall, TX

**Joseph E. Guzzardi, CEM**

County of Santa Barbara OES  
Santa Barbara, CA

**David P. Barrabee, CEM**

Indiana Dept. of Homeland  
Security  
Indianapolis, IN

**Michael J DePoortere, CEM**

SAIC  
Laurel, MD

**Pamela D. Hemphill, CEM**

MS Dept. of Homeland Security  
Clinton, MS

**Donald R. Berger, Jr., CEM**

El Paso Fire Department  
El Paso, TX

**Colonel David B Dysart, CEM**

St. Bernard Parish  
Chalmette, LA

**Dennis A. Hunsinger, CEM**

DHS FEMA Region 10  
Bothell, WA

**Cheryl Bledsoe, CEM**

Clark Regional Emergency  
Services Agency  
Vancouver, WA

**Debra Fulmer, CEM**

DHS, Ofc. for Civil Rights & Civil  
Liberties  
Reston, VA

**Gerri A Husband, CEM**

Indiana Dept. of Homeland  
Security  
Indianapolis, IN

**Randal A Collins, CEM**

Indiana Dept. of Homeland  
Security  
Indianapolis, IN

**Carlos Garcia, CEM**

Indiana Dept. of Homeland  
Security  
Indianapolis, IN

**Paolo Iscaro, CEM**

URS Group, Inc.  
Gaithersburg, MD

**Janet S Crider, CEM**

Indiana Dept. of Homeland  
Security  
Indianapolis, IN

**Joseph M. Golden, Jr., CEM**

Malcolm Pirnie, Inc.  
White Plains, NY

**Kerry M. Jeanice, CEM**

West Jefferson Medical Center  
Harvey, LA

**Robert E. Jones, CEM**  
Montgomery County OEM&HS  
Gaithersburg, MD

**Laura J. Jull, CEM**  
Harrison Medical Center  
Bremerton, WA

**John J. Konopek, Jr., CEM**  
Plainfield Emerg. Mgmt. Agency  
Plainfield, IL

**Amy M Lindsey, CEM**  
Indiana Dept. of Homeland  
Security  
Indianapolis IN

**Diane K Mack, CEM**  
Indiana University Purdue  
University Indianapolis  
Indianapolis, IN

**Luke Meyers, CEM**  
Pierce Co. Dept of Emerg. Mgmt.  
Tacoma, WA

**Lisa W Morris, CEM**  
SMU  
Dallas, TX

**Amir Mousavi, CEM**  
Utica/New Chapel Fire & EMS  
New Albany, IN

**Ryan D Nicholls, CEM**  
Office of Emergency Management  
Springfield, MO

**Michael L Parker, CEM**  
DHS, FEMA Region VII  
Kansas City, MO

**Murielle P. Provost, CEM**  
City of Saint John  
Saint John, NB Canada

**Kathrine C. Russell, CEM**  
Lee County EMA  
Opelika AL

**Martha Salyers, CEM**  
Public Health Regional  
Surveillance Team 6  
Asheville, NC

**Roy Shrou, III, CEM**  
Fairfax County Emerg. Mgmt.  
Fairfax, VA

**James R. Smith, CEM**  
UMDNJ Ofc. of Emerg. Mgmt.  
Newark, NJ

**Michael H. Smith, CEM**  
FEMA Region V  
Chicago, IL

**Teri L Smith, CEM**  
Douglas County Emerg. Mgmt.  
Lawrence, KS

**Larry Sommers, CEM**  
FEMA Region V  
Elmhurst IL

**Alex Stevenson, CEM**  
Lauderdale-by-the-Sea  
Port Orange, FL

**Joel D Stokley, CEM**  
Department of Defense  
Prattville, AL

**Norman A. Sturm, Jr. , CEM**  
DuPage Co. Ofc. of Emerg. Mgmt.  
Wheaton, IL

**Paul E. Sullivan, Jr., CEM**  
White Marsh Fire Company  
Baltimore, MD

**Gracia Szczech, CEM**  
DHS-FEMA Region IV  
Powder Springs, GA

**Anita Tallarico, CEM**  
CONOPS Consulting LLC  
Vienna, VA

**Larry Woods, CEM**  
Greene County Emerg. Mgmt.  
Springfield, MO

**TOTAL: 46 CEM<sup>®</sup>'s Approved September 30 – October 2, 2009**