



NAPO Special Announcement: BCPO Announces Inaugural Class of CPOs



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BCPO ANNOUNCES INAUGURAL CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZERS

GLENVIEW, IL and DUNEDIN, FL—The Board of Certification for Professional Organizers (BCPO) and its sister organization, the National Association of Professional Organizers (NAPO), are pleased to announce the inaugural recipients of the prestigious Certified Professional Organizer® (CPO®) designation. The inaugural CPO® exam was administered on April 25, 2007, at NAPO's Annual Conference in Minneapolis, MN. An award ceremony will take place at NAPO's 20th Annual Conference in April 2008 in Reno, NV.

The inaugural class of more than 200 professional organizers is recognized on both BCPO's and NAPO's Web sites. NAPO's referral directory also lists all NAPO members who have attained the CPO® designation.

"The program of certification for professional organizers acknowledges the importance and value of standards in our industry. The CPO® contributes to those evolving standards, and represents the epitome of competence, ethics, and professionalism," says BCPO President Audrey Lavine, CPO®.

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What is CPO[®] Certification?

CPO[®] Certification is a voluntary, industry-led effort which benefits the public and members of the organizing profession. CPO[®] Certification recognizes those professionals who have met specific minimum qualifications and proven through examination and client interaction to possess the body of knowledge and experience required for certification. The program recognizes and raises industry standards, practices, and ethics. While the CPO[®] designation is not an endorsement or recommendation, certification of professional organizers maximizes the value received from the services provided and products recommended by a CPO[®].

What is a professional organizer?

A professional organizer enhances the lives of clients by designing systems and processes using organizing principles and through transferring organizing skills. A professional organizer also educates the public on organizing solutions and the resulting benefits. Professional organizers help individuals and businesses take control of their surroundings, their time, their paper, and their systems for life.

About BCPO

[\(http://www.certifiedprofessionalorganizers.org/\)](http://www.certifiedprofessionalorganizers.org/)

The Board of Certification for Professional Organizers (BCPO) is the certifying body whose charter is to increase the professionalism of the organizing industry by:

- Identifying a body of knowledge in the organizing profession
- Establishing the level of knowledge and experience required for certification
- Advancing the practice of professional organizing
- Increasing the value of organizing practitioners to their employers
- Recognizing and raising industry standards, practices and ethics
- Maximizing the value received from the products and services provided by CPOs

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