

[Fall 1997]

- Initial Core Group formed
(Sharon Peterson, Lakewood PD; Rob Raw, Englewood PD, Tammy (LN?), City Central City PD, Kris Cureau, Vail PD)
- Initial strategy drafted

[1998]

- Presentations to ALERT on the concept of professional certification
- Obtained commitments from CALET (Doug Caven) and CSTI (Phil Baca) to provide instructors for training modules.

[Sept 12-13, 2002]

- ALERT conference in Vail to announce revival of certification committee
- New CCRN Board – Lee Mull, Rob Raw, Jennifer Dinsmore, Lois Ramsey, me

[October 2002]

- CCRN given its name
- My son Kyle designed CCRN logo
- Jennifer Dinsmore's dog, Cody, became Mascot
- Jennifer Dinsmore built the CCRN website
- Lee Mull, Jennifer Dinsmore, Dennis Mahon (New Castle Police Chief) and I met in New Castle to draft several key documents
- Certification survey sent to all ALERT members asking for a ranking of certification training subjects
- Lois Ramsey drafted Vision statement and Code of Ethics
- Sonja Parmeter, Gunnison PD and Julia Shirk, Mt Crested Butte Marshal and others involved

[2003]

- (January) Requested endorsement from the Colorado House of Representatives
-unfortunately, Representative Al White was unsuccessful in getting the Colorado Legislative Assembly's endorsement. It is highly likely that a request today would be successful.
- (April) Requested endorsement from the Colorado P.O.S.T.
- (May) Received endorsement from CSOC and CACP
- (July) Received "Declaration of Support" from John Kammerzell, Director of P.O.S.T.
- (July) First issue of "For the Record", CCRN's newsletter
- (Sept) First CCRN Conference

[April 29-30, 2004]

- 2nd CCRN conference (Grand Junction)

[Sept 2005]

- I gave a presentation to CIRSA's Board asking for recognition of the importance of CCRN's training and testing program, the litigious nature of our jobs, and compliance to code of ethics.
- The Colorado Intergovernmental Risk Sharing Agency (CIRSA) made CCRN a loss control standard. (It gives each LE agency member a bonus point for employing CCRN-certified personnel and reduces a city's insurance premium payments.)

... and 2005 – Current

- Lots of hard work done by so many! The Board members and CCRN-certified ALERT members have elevated this program over the last decade.



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DECLARATION OF SUPPORT

I am pleased and honored to congratulate CCRN and ALERTSAM for establishing a means of training and certifying law enforcement records personnel. As Colorado's Peace Officer Standards and Training Director, I can testify to the value of formal training to prepare for a position as a law enforcement officer. The complexity of the field demands a rigorous and thorough program. Similarly, standardized training for law enforcement records personnel will strengthen their ability to meet the requirements of legal mandates, to improve technical skills, and to contribute fully to the cause of law enforcement. The role of commissioned officers can be greatly enhanced when partnered with knowledgeable and diligent records professionals.

Today's computerized report writing and records management programs present new opportunities for public safety operations. No longer limited by tedious, labor-intensive, and paper-dominated records management systems, skilled records staff now have the capacity to convert raw data to useful information quickly and accurately. Such information is a significant resource for access by officers and law enforcement administrators in the performance of their duties. Records staff also are increasingly called upon to review and organize case reports for eventual transfer of data to state and national crime centers. Records release law and practices undergo constant scrutiny and change, as do sex offender registration requirements. These are only a few areas of records responsibilities that are certain to be improved by the training program you asked me to review. I am confident that your choice of classes and trainers will ensure its success.

I offer my declaration of support as you undertake this new and exciting program and encourage the active support of all Colorado law enforcement agencies.

Sincerely,

BOARD STAFF

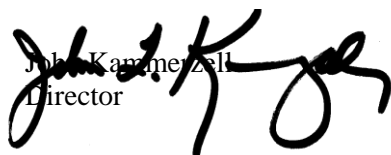
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Colorado Certified Records Network

September 28, 2005

To the Colorado Intergovernmental Risk Sharing Association:

Attached is our Colorado Certified Records Network (CCRN) Guideline which includes who we are, who we are endorsed by, the rigors of our examinations and our training agenda. Part One and Part Four of the training curriculum carries the biggest liability for individuals working in the law enforcement records field and their departments.

All across the country, courts are ordering large fines to be paid by individuals and law enforcement agencies for violations of open records law. Every year, laws become increasingly complex. There is great risk in both releasing a criminal justice record and in denying inspection of a record.

Thank you!

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