



# HELP DESK PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE



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## Help Desk Professional Certificate HDPC™

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## Introduction

The CertiProf - HDPC™ Help Desk Professional Certification distinguishes companies and individuals as part of the adoption of best practices in the IT support industry.

Program content includes management skills, financial management, soft skills, help desk techniques and tools, among others.

This program delivers benefits to candidates who achieve the credential, including improved customer satisfaction through the adoption of professional help desk components, standardized and consistent application of IT support, best practices, and support professionals with knowledge of proper help desk management techniques and a clear understanding of the importance of a help desk professional.

## Objectives

- Understand the difference between a Help Desk and a Service Desk
- Understand the importance of implementing a Help Desk as a SPOC
- Understand the importance of declaring the Help Desk north using the BSPPC™
- Understand the characteristics and components of a professional Help Desk
- Determine the basic necessary skills involved in a Help Desk
- Analyze and understand the relationships with IT Service management processes
- Understand financial and project aspects associated with a Help Desk
- Understand aspects of leadership, service marketing and team development
- Determine the current and desired state of maturity of a Help Desk
- Acquire the ability to determine the necessary tools for excellent Help Desk operations
- Expand Help Desk practices with market trends such as COBIT, ITIL, Agile, Kanban, DevOps, among others
- Understand performance measurement practices associated with the Help Desk and theories of continuous service improvement
- Understand industry practices, compare them with current Help Desk practices, and implement improvements in service and operation

## Exam Format and Duration

This study program has an exam in which the candidate must achieve a score to obtain the certification in Help Desk Professional Certificate HDPC™.

- Format: Multiple choice
- Questions: 40
- Language: English / Spanish
- Passing score: 32/40 or 80%

- Length: 60 minutes
- Open book: No
- Delivery: This exam is available online
- Proctored: Will be at the trainer's discretion/Self supervision is available

## Eligibility for Certification

Anyone who is interested in expanding their Help Desk knowledge, whether they are new, experienced, team managers, or supervisors.

## Content

### Key Concepts

- Help Desk Management
- Discussion Definition
- Difference between a Help Desk and a Service Desk
- Reactive vs Proactive Service
- Help Desk / Service Desk – Definition
- Service Desk – Digital Transformation
- Help Deks – Single Point of Contact

### Help Desk/Service Desk Governance

- Mision and Vision
- Strategic Alignment
- Business Strategy Planning Canvas BSPC™
- Meet Companies with these Challenges
- Success Factors in a Help Desk
- Help Desk Objectives Definition

### Recommended Workshop

- Understanding Globalization
- Social Responsibility
- Ethics and Morals
- IT Help Desk - COVID-19 Impact

### Leadership

- Management Style
- Help Desk Planning
  - Communication
- Skills a Help Desk must have
- Capabilities and Skills
- Coaching and Mentoring within the Help Desk
- Management
  - Meetings

Recruitment, Development, and Retention  
Help Desk Staff Turnover  
Team Development  
Teamwork  
Conflicts

### **Help Desk Financial and Commercial Management**

Help Desk Point of View  
Help Desk Marketing  
Marketing - Help Desk Marketing  
Financial Management  
Financial Calculations  
Financial Budget  
GAP Analysis Leadership / Planning  
Action Plan  
Quick Wins  
Quick Wins (Short-Term Achievements)  
SWOT Matrix  
Continuous Improvement Culture

### **Recommended Workshop**

#### **Project Management from the Help Desk**

Help Desk - Project Skills  
Project Management  
Project Management Tools  
Help Desk - Skills  
Help Desk - Using Models

### **Recommended Workshop**

Adopting RACI at the Help Desk  
Adopting Kanban in the Help Desk

### **Global Standards and Practices**

Global Standards and Practices

### **Recommended Workshop**

Adopting ITIL® as a Service Management Model  
Adoption and Impact of ISO 20000 and COBIT on the Help Desk  
Help Desk and DevOps  
DevOps and Help Desk

### **Trends Within a Help Desk**

ChatBots  
Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the Help Desk  
Machine Learning  
Personal Data Protection - GDPR  
Big Data  
Teleworking  
Cybersecurity

Toolset  
ITMS Tool  
Technological Support

### **Service Operating Models**

MoScoW Method  
Sourcing Models  
Vested Outsourcing  
Scaling  
Definition and Documentation of the Scale-Up Process  
Organizational Structure: Roles and Responsibilities  
Structures  
Incident Prioritization Matrix  
Definition and Documentation of Incident Levels  
Incident Life Cycle Definition

### **IT Service Management**

ITSM  
Overview  
Incident Management and Help Desk  
ITSM Key Concepts  
Understanding the Flow of Incident Management  
Priority Matrix  
ISO 20000  
Help Desk and Service Management Processes  
Help Desk and the CAB

### **Service Quality**

Service Certification  
Staff Certification  
Satisfaction Survey  
Help Desk Service  
SLAs from Help Desk

### **Recommended Workshop**

Metrics for a Help Desk  
Key Performance Indicator (KPI)  
DMAIC Method

### **Recommended Workshop**

### **Reports**

Reports  
Reporting Management

### **Continuous Improvement**

Continuous Improvement  
Finally: Action Plan  
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### **Help Desk Maturity Level**

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