

Vision

The South Carolina Association of Prevention Professionals and Advocates is the premier provider of workforce development and advocacy for the promotion of behavioral health.

Mission

The mission of the South Carolina Association of Prevention Professionals and Advocates is to promote high standards of quality in prevention by providing workforce development, membership support, certification, public recognition, and advocacy for professionals and advocates in order to advance the profession of behavioral health related prevention.



**"An ounce of prevention is worth
a pound of cure."
-Benjamin Franklin**

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Opportunities Provided Include:

- Mentoring for International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) credentials including Certified Prevention Specialist (CPS) and Certified Senior Prevention Specialist (CSPS)
- Professional training opportunities provided in partnership with the South Carolina Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS)
- Networking events with prevention professionals
- Scholarships for professional development and training
- Reduced fees for SCAPPA-sponsored training opportunities and certifications

"Do what you can, where you are, with what you have."

Theodore Roosevelt

Certified Prevention Specialist and Certified Senior Prevention Specialist

The CPS and CSPS certification are state-level. The CPS is IC&RC recognized, making it transferable between states.

These certifications are a mark of professional expertise and professionalism. Members carrying this certification receive extensive training, supervision, and agree to adhere to a code of ethics.

Each year 99% of individuals who receive their CPS or CSPS are SCAPPA members. For those interested in pursuing this distinguished certificate, membership with SCAPPA places you in a community with prospective mentors/supervisors for supervision and others going through the process.

- 30% of South Carolina high school seniors have vaped in their lifetime.^a
- 12% of South Carolina youth first drank alcohol before age 13^a
- 8% of South Carolina high school seniors surveyed have tried marijuana in their lifetime.^a
- 20% of South Carolina high school students surveyed have seriously considered attempting suicide. 10% actually attempted suicide.^b
- 12% of South Carolina high school students surveyed bought their vape products in a store.^b
- Since 2007, there have been 872 cases of human trafficking reported in South Carolina.^c
- 21% of trafficked individuals in 2020 were minors.^c

a. Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (2020). 2020 South Carolina Communities that Care Survey data <http://ncweb.pire.org/scdocuments>

b. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (2019). South Carolina 2019 and United States 2019 Results High School Youth Risk Behavior Survey. <https://nccd.cdc.gov/Youthonline/App/Results>

c. South Carolina Human Trafficking Statistics (2022). Retrieved from <https://humantraffickinghotline.org/state/south-carolina>