

Why is GPA eLearning a prerequisite for a GPA Certified Coach Workshop?

GPA Certified Coaches (CCs) are the key to sustainability of GPA knowledge and skills, and are integral to the ongoing development of participants' GPA competencies beyond the classroom setting. The **GPA Certified Coach Workshop (CCW)** is designed to develop confidence with GPA content, GPA Certified Coaching materials, and various methods of facilitation.

While facilitating GPA, CCs also support staff who have experienced **GPA eLearning** (3 hr. asynchronous online learning). Feedback from GPA CCs is that they want to experience GPA eLearning and understand how it compares to GPA Basics. This is even more likely since the pandemic and the resultant surge in learners who have experienced GPA eLearning. Learners may eventually require support from a CC to further their knowledge and skills through application and practice.

The purpose of reviewing GPA eLearning as a pre-requisite for attending a CCW is to ensure CC Candidates are familiar with foundational GPA content, and experience the curriculum in an alternate manner from the lens of a virtual learner. It also serves as preparation to support learners via Informal Coaching or facilitation of the iGPA - Part 2 Classroom Session. These are all expectations of the CC role and reviewing GPA eLearning provides the background required.

The purpose of experiencing GPA Basics facilitated by GPA Certified Master Coaches (CMCs) on Day 1 of the CCW is to experience the session while focusing on the various methods of facilitation modeled by CMCs. The primary focus of Day 1 of the CCW is on the process of GPA facilitation. Through repetition of content with a focus on facilitation, the CC Candidate gains comfort with the materials.

The more comfortable CCs are with the facilitation of GPA curriculum, the better equipped they will be to support learners in a variety of formats including iGPA - Part 2, GPA Basics, GPA-Recharged, and GPA Informal Coaching.

Important Note

Completion of GPA Basics (7.5 hr. in-person session) is not equivalent to the mandatory GPA eLearning prerequisite. GPA eLearning must be completed no more than one year before attending a CCW.