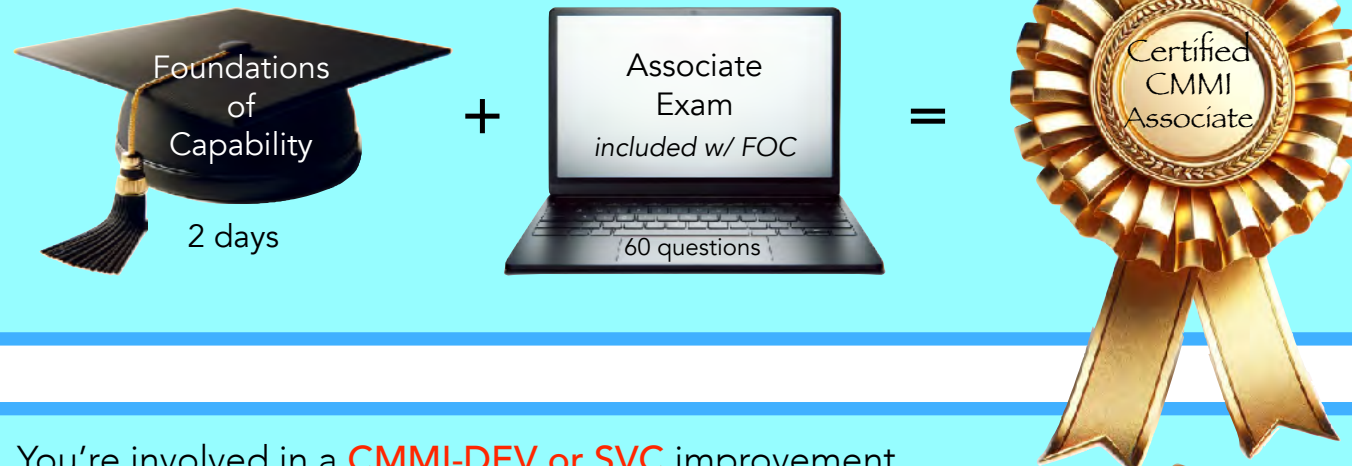


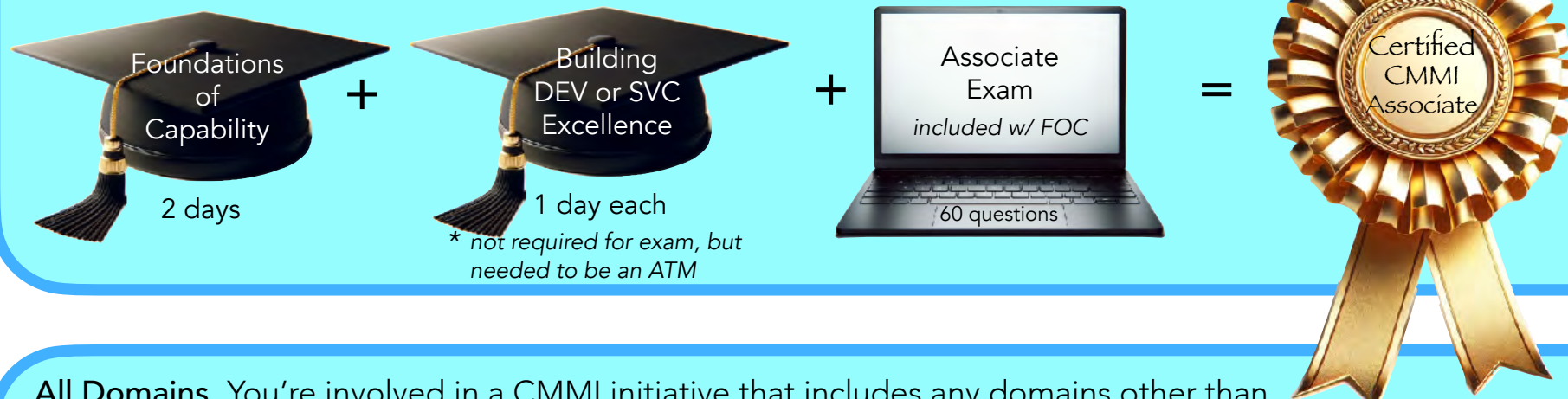
Wild Bill's
CMMI® V3 TRAINING PATHWAYS

If you're a current CMMI Associate (under V2) and would like to serve as a CMMI V3 ATM for DEV or SVC, no action is needed as long as you've had the appropriate Building Excellence class(es).

Basic. You'd like the **minimal CMMI credential**, and you don't care much about being an Appraisal Team Member (ATM).



Development or Services. You're involved in a **CMMI-DEV or SVC** improvement initiative or you would like to qualify as a CMMI-DEV or SVC ATM.



Appraisal Domains:



Development, Services

All Domains. You're involved in a CMMI initiative that includes any domains other than DEV or SVC, or you would like to qualify as an ATM for **any of the 8 domains**.

If you planned to take Foundations plus BOTH Building Excellence classes, consider Building Organizational Capability instead. Similar duration and cost, but you'd be certified in 8 domains instead of 2.



Appraisal Domains:



Development, Services, Suppliers, Virtual, Security, Safety, People, Data

I'm new to CMMI. Which class should I take?

To really get to know the model and all of its options, take the 4-day Building Organizational Capability course. It'll introduce you to the basics of CMMI, plus all 8 domains — Development (DEV), Services (SVC), Suppliers (SPM), Virtual (VRT), Security (SEC), Safety (SAF), People (PPL), and Data (DATA).

Ack! That seems long. I just want the basics.

Alright, then just take the two-day Foundations of Capability (FOC). You won't learn the domain-specific content, but at least you'll be exposed to the fundamentals.

Cool. And would that that Foundations class help qualify me as an Appraisal Team Member (ATM)?

Yes, but only if you follow it up with Building Development Excellence (for a CMMI-DEV appraisal) or Building Service Excellence (for CMMI-SVC). Even if you don't plan to be an ATM, those classes will help to solidify domain-specific concepts through team-based, scenario-driven exercises.

What if I've already had the Foundations and a Building Excellence class (or two), but the appraisal includes the Security domain? Or People (whatever that is)? Or...?

Sorry, but you need the Building Organizational Capability class to qualify for appraisals in any domains other than DEV and SVC.

I was hoping I could just take, like, short Building Excellence classes for each domain.

Those only exist for Development and Services. No such classes are planned.

Foundations of Capability (2 days) includes:

- Performance Excellence & CMMI
- Model Structure
- Maturity Levels
- Appraisals
- The 17 Core Practice Areas (most of the class): Requirements Development & Management (RDM) and 16 others

NEW! Building Organizational Capability (4 days) includes everything covered by Foundations of Capability, plus the 14 Practice Areas (PAs) specific to the 8 domains:

- Development (DEV)
- Services (SVC)
- Suppliers (SPM)
- Virtual (VRT)
- Security (SEC)
- Safety (SAF)
- People (PPL)
- Data (Data)

Building Development Excellence (1 day) builds upon the prerequisite Foundations of Capability, and includes:

- The 2 Development-specific PAs
- Several team-based, scenario-driven exercises focusing on the use of CMMI in a solution development environment

Building Service Excellence (1 day) builds upon the prerequisite Foundations of Capability, and includes:

- The 4 Service-specific PAs
- Several team-based, scenario-driven exercises focusing on the use of CMMI in a service management and delivery environment

I really don't want to take a 4-day course (BOC) that covers all the material I already had in a 2-day course (FOC). Isn't that a bit redundant?

Candidly, yes. If you've already taken Foundations of Capability, then about half of the material in Building Organizational Capability may be a review.

I was going to take the Foundations class and BOTH of the Building Excellence classes. But it seems that for the same duration (4 days) and maybe a similar price I could take Building Organizational Capability and be qualified in all eight (8) domains instead of just two (2). Why wouldn't I just do that?

Actually, I think you should. Even if your organization isn't currently using any of the other domains, you'd be doing a bit of "future-proofing."

Would there be any downside?

Perhaps. The Practitioner Exam is longer (120 questions, 4 hrs) and arguably more difficult than the Associate Exam (60 questions, 2.5 hrs). It covers the same basic material, plus additional content covered in Building Organizational Capability — e.g., the 14 domain-specific PAs. Each certification is valid for three years, and may be maintained by passing the corresponding exam before it lapses.

