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## Edwards Performance Solutions Named First Licensed Partner Publisher (LPP) in the Nation to Receive CMMC-AB Training Curriculum Approval

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Edwards Performance Solutions (Edwards) is proud to announce our Certified Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) Professional (CCP) course curricula has received formal award as CMMC Accreditation Body (CMMC-AB) Authorized Training Material (CATM)!

Edwards, a Maryland-based company, is the first in the nation to receive the designation and are cleared to begin filling CCP classrooms! As both a government contractor and commercial provider, Edwards is heavily invested in supporting the contractor community navigate CMMC.

CMMC is a unified standard for implementing cybersecurity across the Defense Industrial Base (DIB). The standard was created for the Defense Supply Chain and overseen by the CMMC-AB to deliver consistent and informative assessments to participating organizations against a defined set of controls/best practices. The CMMC Model itself is created and managed by the DoD.

Maryland is where cyber works. Our state is a global trailblazer, rich with seasoned industry leaders and entrepreneurial start-ups, developing innovative computer and network security products and solutions. Across the state, we have a high density of cyber engineers and host the nation's top security and intelligence agencies. Edwards plays a role in nearly every aspect of the CMMC ecosystem – training and education, assessments, and certification (LTP, LPP, RPO, and C3PAO). Edwards is truly a trusted advisor for CMMC, strengthening Maryland's cybersecurity posture and ability to thrive as a state.

## **About Edwards**

Edwards Performance Solutions is proud to call Maryland home for 24+ years. Since the beginning we've focused on solutions that help organizations achieve their business goals. We help smart people do big things, combining expertise with an approach that incorporates cybersecurity into the enterprise-wide culture through our four solution areas: Enterprise Management, IT Services, Training & Development, and Cybersecurity.

The Edwards curriculum is backed by 22+ years of facilitation and instructional design, as well as a cybersecurity team with more than ten decades of combined experience in assessing and interpreting NIST, CIS, HIPAA, and ISO 27001 standards and guidelines. This expertise makes for dynamic CMMC training solutions. Our all-star lineup of Provisional Instructors (PIs) includes several of the CMMC Industry's most respected consultants along with Edwards internal SMEs to deliver action packed CMMC boot camps.

Edwards first CCP courses are to be delivered October 18-22 (sold out), with available seats in the November 1-5, November 15-19, and December 6-10 classes.