

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES

The [AICPA Information Technology \(IT\) Center](#) provides members guidance and technology practice tools. PCPS works with the AICPA Certified Information Technology Professional (CITP) Credential community and Information Technology Section community to find ways to bring added value to members who provide technology services.

The CITP Credential offers opportunities and benefits in the following areas:

- Professional and Practice Development
- Advocacy and collaboration
- Technology and Information
- IT Community

Professional and Practice Development

Top Technology Initiatives (TTI)

Each year, the Information Technology section's Top Techs Task Force surveys individuals working in industry, public accounting, academia, and government. The results are then compiled, ranked, and published for the AICPA community and the public at large. What originally started as a small group project has grown into an initiative voted on by AICPA IT Community members as well as other professional organization members. [Click here](#) to view the top-ten list of AICPA's 19th Annual TTI survey from 2008 and browse through a limited selection of the topic details.

IT Community Webinars

Our highly rated monthly Webinars give the IT Community members the opportunity to learn about timely issues as well as interact with their fellow peers. Webinars are free to all AICPA members with no CPE or a minor charge for CPE credit. Archived webinars are available to IT Section members only. [Click here](#) to view the full list of past and future webinars and register for an event online.

IT Community Podcasts

The Top Technology Initiatives Podcast Series features CPA and non-CPA technology experts discussing topics related to the Top Technology Initiatives list, and how these initiatives are likely to impact CPAs and the communities they serve. Free to AICPA members. [Click here](#) to download and listen.

IT Audit School

A 4-day workshop from October 27 - 30, 2008 provides auditors with a crucial understanding of how Information Technology (IT) impacts financial reporting, and essential guidance as to what IT considerations need to be addressed and the extent to which they should be considered, tested and reported on within the conduct of a financial statement audit. [Click here](#) to view the course details and register online.

Technology and Information

SmartBrief

The AICPA's Information Technology Section will be offering a monthly SmartBrief electronic newsletter to the general public that summarizes relevant business and technology news and information. Subscription members may create a widget to view from the desktop or download and view from the blackberry. Subscription will be available in September 2008 - coming soon.

Privacy

Privacy is a risk management issue for all organizations, and many are looking to CPA firms for privacy solutions. CPAs can provide guidance to the organizations they serve by using the [Generally Accepted Privacy Principles \(GAPP\)](#) to help assess their privacy-related risks as well as to develop sound privacy policies and practices. To learn more about Privacy related topic areas, [click here](#). To find out more information about building a Privacy Practice, [click here](#).

IT Community

Networking Events

Community networking session is a great opportunity to meet other technology CPAs in the local area, discuss or exchange ideas regarding the latest IT issues or concerns, or hear expert professionals share their technology thoughts and experiences. There is no fee to attend the sessions. [Click here](#) for upcoming networking events near you.

Information Technology Expertise

The AICPA's Certified Information Technology Professional (CITP) credential combines information technology expertise with the core knowledge and skills that place CPAs among of the most trusted business advisors. The CITP credential distinguishes you as a CPA who has the unique ability to connect business and technology: blending business acumen with IT expertise. The CITP Credential membership offers opportunities and benefits in the following areas: professional and practice development, advocacy and collaboration, information, and community.

[Click Here to Learn More about the CITP Credential](#)

Information Technology Section Membership

The Information Technology Membership Section is a voluntary AICPA membership section for CPAs who want to hone their information technology skills and learn how to apply new technologies to expand their portfolio of services, increase their efficiency and maximize their profit. IT members have access to an impressive array of resources to help them as they strive to implement new technologies that more efficiently serve their clients and maintain their competitive advantage. [Click here](#) to learn more on joining the IT Section.