

My staff went to a BEST Plus 2.0 training. Now what?

Read this brief guide to learn how to support your staff in becoming BEST Plus 2.0 certified, including what materials your program should provide.

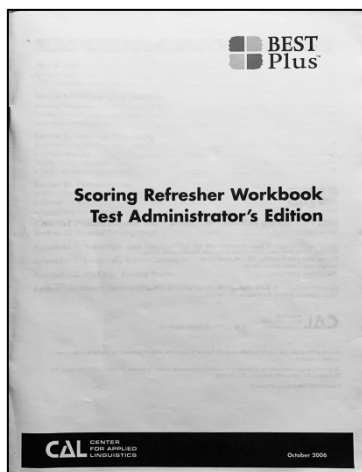


After completing the training and receiving approval to continue the certification process, practitioners must complete 10 practice administrations using the practice portion of the BEST Plus 2.0 software. Your program is responsible for providing access to a laptop or desktop computer with the software installed or lending a BEST Plus 2.0 USB to administrators-in-training (if they are comfortable using their own laptop for the practice administrations).

For instructions on accessing practice administrations, please check the FAQ section of the ACLS Test Help Blog: <https://blogs.umass.edu/aclstesthelp/faq/>.

Administrators-in-training must also complete a Scoring Activity using materials from the Scoring Refresher Toolkit. Your program must provide a Scoring Refresher Toolkit with both DVDs: "Scoring Refresher Video October 2006" (black) and "Scoring Activities (1, 2, and 3) October 2006" (red). Prior to lending the Toolkit, however, the Scoring Activity answers keys found in Section IV MUST be removed and stored in a secure location.





Practitioners should watch the black DVD first to review scoring guidelines, following along using a Scoring Refresher Workbook (Test Administrator's Edition).

Next, they should use the red DVD to watch the designated Scoring Activity video and write their answers on the appropriate score sheet from the Workbook.

Every program should have enough blank Scoring Refresher Workbooks (Test Administrator's Edition) so that each administrator has one.

Toolkits, Workbooks, and BEST Plus 2.0 USB may be purchased from the CAL Store at <https://calstore.cal.org/Store.aspx>. If the Toolkit DVDs get lost or damaged, it is possible to purchase just the DVDs by calling the CAL Store at 855-543-9461.

To avoid confusion, dispose of outdated BEST Plus 2.0 materials such as VHS tapes and Test Administrator Guides from before March 2017 (check the bottom of the back cover).



For questions, please contact the UMass Amherst Center for Educational Assessment at aclstesthelp@educ.umass.edu