

FOUR MONTH SPECIALIZED CREDENTIAL STUDY PLAN – CFF CREDENTIAL:

Four months prior to exam window:

Upon registering for the CFF Exam, candidates must read the <u>Registration & Scheduling Terms & Conditions</u>. To begin preparing for the exam, candidates should review the <u>CFF Exam Content Specification Outline</u> (CSO) to obtain an overview of the body of knowledge covered in the CFF Exam. They should also review the associated references listed in the CSO. It is strongly recommended that candidates obtain copies of the most notable book references identified in the CSO as these are where the actual exam questions are derived from.

Three months prior to exam window:

Candidates should utilize the combination of the CFF Exam Content Specification Outline (CSO) and its associated references to become more proficient in those areas. Candidates should also complete any applicable education provided by the AICPA that will compensate for such deficiencies. Currently, AICPA offers on demand Financial Forensic Education and self-study titled Forensic Accounting: Fraudulent Reporting and Concealed Assets. Additionally, coming in May 2013, the AICPA will offer a comprehensive Forensic Accounting Educational Certificate Program.

Two months prior to exam window:

Register for and/or complete the AICPA's CFF Exam Review Course. This course is available in a group study format. The group study format is scheduled in <u>June</u> & <u>November</u> of each year. (NOTE: Please check <u>www.cpa2biz.com</u> for registration availability of the group study course. Also, check on potential pricing bundles and/or exam registration discounts when purchasing this course.)

One month prior to exam window:

Make sure you have received your Notification to Schedule letter. Upon receipt of receiving this letter, ensure you have scheduled your exam. Also, review the <u>Test Center Regulations</u> and view the <u>video</u> providing an overview of how the exam will look during your exam session.

During the Exam window: Take and pass the CFF exam! Good luck.

DISCLAIMER: The plan above is merely a recommendation on how to prepare for the ABV Exam. Following this plan is not a guarantee that a candidate would successfully pass the exam.