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## **NWSA Hosts Practical Examiner Accreditation Program Workshop in Golden, Colorado**

### ***Six More Practical Examiners Obtain NWSA Accreditation to Facilitate Field-Based Practical Exams to the Industry's Workforce***

(Fairfax, Virginia) – The National Wireless Safety Alliance (NWSA) recently hosted a Practical Examiner Accreditation Program (PEAP) Workshop in Golden, Colorado. The workshop was conducted on March 29-31, 2017 and hosted by Centerline Solutions at their indoor training facility.

The NWSA, headquartered in Fairfax, VA, is a national non-profit assessment and certification organization established to provide thorough, independent assessments of knowledge and skills and provide verifiable worker certification in order to enhance safety, reduce workplace risk, improve quality, encourage training, and recognize the skilled professionals who work on towers and other non-standard communication structures.

The NWSA's first "open-enrollment" PEAP workshop in Golden, Colorado was an opportunity for individuals to become authorized to administer NWSA practical exams. The three day intensive workshop focused on important components of certification assessment including: test administration rules and regulations, how to establish practical test sites, managing candidates at practical test sites and completing the documents associated with testing. Additionally, Centerline Solutions hosted practical exam testing immediately before the workshop to help facilitate the candidates completing their certification. Practical testing was conducted by NWSA-accredited Practical Examiners Clint Cook from Centerline Solutions, Justin Miller from EasTex Towers, LLC and Sam Rogers from the National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (NCCCO).

The following individuals received official NWSA Practical Examiner accreditation by graduating from the workshop:

Nicholas Grull, Centerline Solutions  
Mike Horan, Newkirk Electric  
John Klayko, Newkirk Electric  
Christopher Mika, Novotech Construction  
Sonya Roshek, NWSA Board of Governors  
Matthew Vincent, Eastern Communicationss



“I would like to congratulate the recent workshop graduates who received their NWSA Practical Examiner accreditation,” said NWSA PEAP Instructor Clint Cook. “The NWSA now has officially accredited 26 Practical Examiners nationwide and plans to continue to host these PEAP workshops in order to expand our pool of individuals qualified to administer NWSA field-based examinations,” added Cook.

NWSA is looking to schedule additional PEAP workshops in 2017. To be eligible, industry personnel must meet all certification requirements, including the following: obtaining both NWSA TTT-1 and TTT-2 certification, OSHA 10 Hour and First Aid/CPR and possess 3 years of industry related experience. The NWSA is seeking candidates with strong technical backgrounds, field experience and a good reputation of integrity within the industry to fulfill the important role of Practical Examiner.

Candidates interested in becoming a practical examiner are encouraged to send an email to [pe@nws-a.org](mailto:pe@nws-a.org) expressing your interest. Interested participants will then be placed on a waiting list and once a workshop is announced, will be notified. Enrollment is based on first-come, first-serve basis so long as all eligibility criteria are met.

Companies interested in hosting a workshop can contact [pe@nws-a.org](mailto:pe@nws-a.org) and provide information detailing what your company can provide as a host. A complimentary spot in the PEAP workshop is provided by NWSA to the host company.

The NWSA’s Telecommunication Tower Technician 1 (TTT-I) and Telecommunications Tower Technician 2 (TTT-2) certification programs were officially launched in December of 2016. Other assessment and certification programs the NWSA will likely unveil in the future include Antenna & Line Foreman, Tower (Stacking) Foreman, Structural Modifications Foreman, DAS Systems, Small Cell Systems, Broadcast Structures and Outside Plant/Fiber to the Home and Business.

Candidates and industry stakeholders are encouraged to visit [www.nws-a.org](http://www.nws-a.org) for detailed information on the NWSA certification process, applying for CBT tests and practical examinations, credential verification and for more information on new certification programs.

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