

Programs to Facilitate Green Cleaning Certification, LEED Points, CIMS Compliance and Program Awareness

Building owners, property managers and facility/environmental services staff rely on the Building Wellness Institute's Consulting Services to protect the health of their employees, building occupants and the environment through certification and public awareness. Designed specifically to help you achieve GS-42 certification, points toward LEED Operations and Maintenance (O&M) requirements, or your unique environmental wellness goals, our consulting services address a broad range of specific objectives, including:

- Obtaining Green Seal® and/or Cleaning Industry Management Standard (CIMS) certification
- Achieving LEED O&M points
- Achieving Green Seal® facilities partnership
- Implementing green initiatives and LEED requirements
- Maintaining compliance
- Promoting tenant awareness

Consulting Services Description

Auditing & Monitoring: For commercial building owners and other institutions, the Building Wellness Institute offers auditing services of your cleaning company that ensure compliance with GS-42 or LEED O&M requirements for green cleaning standards. Using a GS-42 certification checklist, we conduct a thorough inspection of your facilities before the Green Seal® auditor arrives to pave the way for a smooth certification process. And because LEED requires APPA guidelines, we developed a scoring system that generates a full APPA report. Both Green Seal® and LEED standards require continuous monitoring and documentation. Our monitoring services are conducted monthly for the first year of performance and quarterly thereafter to maintain quality assurance and sustain successful green cleaning management.

Certification Process: From training to application submission, the steps to achieving GS-42 certification, CIMS, or points toward LEED certification can be time consuming and resource intensive. In addition to providing the 24 hours of training required under the GS-42 standard, our consulting team offers guidance through all of the necessary steps in the certification process, including:



“Your services have helped our staff embrace sustainability and green cleaning products because they now understand the impact the products they use have on the health of our building occupants.”

Bob Carman
Building Services
Superintendent,
University of Virginia
Facilities Management

- Preparation and submission of a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) and CIMS documents
- Preparation and submission of a Building-Specific Green Cleaning Plan
- Review of all documentation required prior to submission of GS-42 and CIMS application
- Application submission
- Development of a Green Cleaning Policy (required by LEED O&M as a pre-requisite)

Communications Programs: Upon implementing a green cleaning program, property managers, BSCs and building owners have a unique opportunity to differentiate their services and buildings from the field, recruit employees, or attract and retain tenants. Since the success of any green cleaning program depends on the entire community getting involved in the greening of their buildings, we can help you develop communications programs to promote green cleaning at your building and throughout your organization. We do this through customized eNewsletters, press releases, online communities, seminars and public awareness campaigns. Our communication and outreach campaigns, targeted to property managers and tenant associations, help build awareness, promote recycling, and educate all stakeholders on how they can improve and sustain the wellness of their indoor environments.

The Building Wellness Institute Difference—Safer, Healthier and More Productive Facilities

The Building Wellness Institute helps facility managers, building owners, building service contractors (BSCs), and environmental services staff protect the health and comfort of their building occupants through comprehensive training, consulting and assessment programs. Our training programs and services, delivered by seasoned professionals with cross-discipline expertise in occupational and environmental medicine, public health, industrial hygiene, toxicology, and chemical engineering, are designed to facilitate GS-42 certification, gain points toward LEED certification, and support a wide range of environmental wellness goals. For commercial buildings, long-term care facilities, and educational institutions, the Building Wellness Institute enables you to make a vital contribution to public health and the environment that delivers unparalleled gains in reputation, revenue and regulatory compliance.

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For information on scheduling and pricing, please contact the Building Wellness Institute at 301-728-3908 or email info@buildingwellness.com.