

IADC's new WellSharp™ program represents a collaborative, industry-led effort to completely redefine well control training & assessment. The program incorporates features that address industry-identified goals to enhance well control training in the industry.

Industry Goals

WellSharp Features

Close Knowledge Gaps

Important topics added: barrier management, risk management, directional/horizontal drilling

New courses for personnel previously not receiving well control training

Established pre-requisites – courses built upon knowledge and skills of previous course

Curricula content and skills-development exercises targeted to deliver content appropriate for position-specific responsibilities

Immediate feedback provided to individual and employer

Rigorous, Standardized Testing Methodology

Globally standardized knowledge assessment at each level

Independent proctoring system

Assessments that confirm critical knowledge and skills

Individual practical (simulator) assessments

Assessment report provided to individual and employer

Ensure Instructor and Skills Assessor Knowledge & Skills

Ability to identify trends and quickly apply changes as a result

Students provide evaluation of training before test; goes directly to IADC

Direct visibility to student to instructor to simulator ratio

More robust auditing process

Improve Instructor Facilitation Skills

New required train-the-trainer courses

Practical / Theoretical Balance

Expanded number and type of skills exercises

Globalized/Standardized simulator assessment

Multiple teaching methodologies encouraged

Greater Knowledge & Skill Retention

Increased simulator assessment requirements

Introductory course certification now expires

Focus on Critical Content Across Positions & Levels

Role-specific and level-specific courses

Introductory course certification now expires

Requirements defined for ALL personnel with well control responsibilities

Separate and specific courses for all levels

*IADC members share the belief that well control is the most critical area for safe and successful operations. The new WellSharp program offers a reliable and trustworthy set of training standards for the global drilling industry. **It is a standard the industry can trust.***