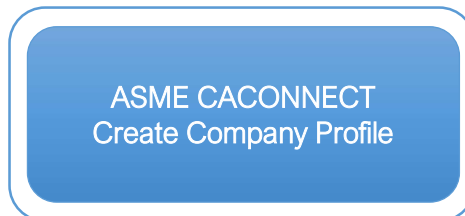
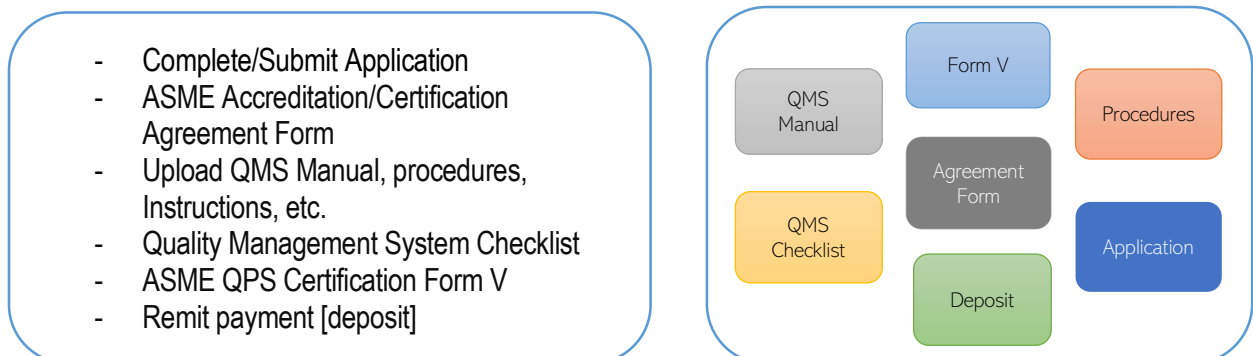


QUALITY PROGRAM FOR SUPPLIERS (QPS) CERTIFICATION PATH

- A. **Company Profile and ID:** go to [CAconnect](#) and create company profile. A company ID # is assigned.



- B. **QPS Application:** In CAconnect, initiate, and submit completed QPS application

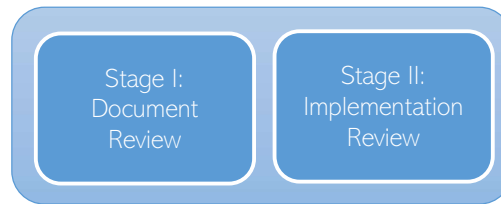


- C. **ASME QPS Review Course:** Designated Quality Manager and any other designated employee(s) shall complete the required ASME QPS review course.



- D. **Initial Certification Survey:** Initial Certification Survey is comprised of two stages. Stage I: Document Review and Stage II: Implementation Review.

Initial Certification Survey



Stage I: Document Review

During Stage I, the ASME auditor reviews the organization's QMS manual, related procedures, instructions, etc. in order to assess compliance with the QPS standard quality elements. A written report of the survey is issued to ASME with a recommendation. Any findings, including deficiencies noted during the survey are discussed between the ASME auditor and the Applicant.

Stage II: Implementation Review

During Stage II, the ASME auditor evaluates the organization and determines the degree of compliance with the governing standards/documents as established by the Applicant through its Quality Program. A written report of the survey is issued to ASME with a recommendation. Any findings, including deficiencies noted during the survey are discussed between the ASME auditor and the Applicant. ASME staff reviews report and completes administrative actions.

- E. **QPS Certificate Issuance & Final Payment:** Upon successful completion of the initial Certification Survey (Stage I and II) and receipt of final payment, ASME staff will authorize issuance of the QPS Certificate. A QPS Certificate number will be assigned in CAConnect and the Applicant will be notified. The company will be listed in the ASME Certificate Holder page.

QPS Certificate Issuance

