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MICHIGAN STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY

Continuing Medical Education

Allopathic Physicians:

A licensee who files an application for renewal of his or her license to practice medicine must furnish evidence to the Michigan Board of Medicine that the licensee has completed the required number of hours in approved courses or programs of continuing medical education. MCL 333.17033. The licensee must retain documentation of meeting the continuing education requirements for four (4) years from the date of applying for license renewal. The Department may select and audit a sample of licensees who have renewed their license and request proof of compliance with the continuing education rules. Mich. Admin. Code R. 338.2441.

Generally, in order to renew a license to practice medicine, an applicant must have completed 150 hours of approved continuing medical education during the three year period immediately preceding the application for renewal. MCL 333.17033; Mich. Admin. Code R. 338.2441. Credit for a continuing education program or activity that is identical or substantially identical to a program or activity for which the licensee has already earned credit during the renewal period shall not be granted.

The following are categories of creditable continuing medical education activities approved by the Michigan Board of Medicine, followed by the maximum credit hours that may be earned in each category:

- Category 1: (Minimum 75 hours):
 1. (Maximum 150 hours) Attendance at or participation in a continuing education program or activity related to the practice of medicine approved or offered by any of the following: American Medical Association, Michigan State Medical Society, Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education, American Osteopathic Association, or Michigan Osteopathic Association.
 2. (Maximum 50 hours) Taking and passing a specialty board certification or recertification examination for a board recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties.
 3. (Maximum 30 hours) Successfully completing an activity that is required for maintenance of a specialty certification for a board recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties that does not meet the requirements of (i) or (ii).
 4. (Maximum 50 hours per year; 150 hours per renewal period) Participation in a clinical training program which satisfies certain requirements or is accredited by a board recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties. To receive credit, the licensee must be enrolled for a minimum of 5 months in a 12 month period.
- Category 2:
 1. (Maximum 48 hours) Serving as a clinical instructor for medical students engaged in an approved post-

graduate training program. To receive credit, the clinical instructorship must not be the licensee's primary employment function.

2. (Maximum 24 hours) Initial presentation of a scientific exhibit, poster, or paper to a professional medical organization.
3. (Maximum 24 hours) Publication of a scientific article relating to the practice of medicine in a peer-reviewed journal or periodical.
4. (Maximum 24 hours) Initial publication of a chapter or a portion of a chapter related to the practice of medicine in either a professional health care textbook or a peer-reviewed textbook.
5. (Maximum 18 hours) Participating in any of the following:
 - ♣ A peer review committee dealing with quality of patient care as it relates to the practice of medicine;
 - ♣ A committee dealing with utilization review as it relates to the practice of medicine;
 - ♣ A health care organization committee dealing with patient care issues related to the practice of medicine;
 - ♣ A national or state committee, board, council, or association related to the practice of medicine;
6. Participation in a committee, board, council or association is considered acceptable by the board if it enhances the participant's knowledge and understanding of the field of medicine.
7. (Maximum 36 hours) Until 2019, attendance at or participation in a continuing education program that had been approved by the board prior to the effective date of the 2016 amended rule but does not satisfy the rule requirements.
8. (Maximum 18 hours) Independently reading a peer-reviewed journal that does not satisfy the requirements of the amended rule. The reading must have been completed prior to the effective date of the amended rule.
9. (Maximum 18 hours) Prior to the effective date of the amended rule, completing a multi-media self-assessment program that does not meet the requirements of the amended rule.

A minimum of 1 hour of continuing education must be earned in the area of medical ethics. Beginning in 2017, a minimum of 3 hours of continuing education shall be earned in the area of pain and symptom management. Continuing education hours in pain and symptom management may include, but are not limited to, any of the following:

- Public health burden of pain;
- Ethics and health policy related to pain;
- Michigan pain and controlled substance laws;
- Pain definitions;
- Basic sciences related to pain including pharmacology;
- Clinical sciences related to pain;
- Specific pain conditions;
- Clinical physician communication related to pain;
- Management of pain, including evaluation and treatment and non-pharmacological and pharmacological management;
- Ensuring quality pain care; and
- Michigan programs and resources relevant to pain;

Mich. Adm. Code 338.2443.

Osteopathic Physicians: A licensee who files an application for renewal of license must furnish evidence to the Board of Osteopathic Registration that in the three years preceding application for renewal, the licensee completed 150 hours of continuing education in approved osteopathic medicine and surgery courses or programs. MCL 333.17533; Mich. Adm. Code 338.141. The licensee shall retain documentation of meeting the continuing education requirements for 4 years from the date of applying for license renewal. The Department may select and audit a sample of licensees who have renewed their license and request proof of compliance with the continuing education rules. The following are categories of creditable continuing medical education activities approved by the Michigan Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery, followed by the maximum credit hours that may be earned in each category:

Category 1: (Minimum 60 hours)

1. (Minimum 40 hours; Maximum 150 hours): Attendance at or participating in a continuing education program or activity related to the practice of osteopathic medicine approved or offered by the Committee on Continuing Education of the American Osteopathic Association for Evaluating Osteopathic Continuing Education Standards or the Michigan Osteopathic Association.
2. (Maximum 110 hours) Attendance at or participating in a continuing education program or activity related to the practice of osteopathic medicine approved or offered by the American Medical Association, Accreditation Counsel for Continuing Medical Education, or the Michigan State Medical Society.
3. (Maximum 50 hours) Taking or passing a specialty board certification or recertification examination for a specialty board recognized by the American Osteopathic Association or the American Board of Medical Specialties.
4. (Maximum 30 hours) Successfully completing an activity that is required for the maintenance of a specialty certification for a specialty board recognized by the American Osteopathic Association that does not meet the requirements of (a) or (c) above.
5. (Maximum 90 hours) Serving as a teacher, lecturer, preceptor, or moderator-participant in an approved medical education or training program.
6. (Maximum 90 hours) Conducting a formal inspection of an approved osteopath medical education or training program or conducting clinical examinations of osteopathic specialty boards recognized by the American Osteopathic Association.
7. (Maximum 15 hours per committee per year; 90 hours per renewal period) Participating in any of the following:
 - o A peer review committee dealing with quality patient care as it relates to the practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery;
 - o A committee dealing with utilization review as it relates to the practice of osteopathic medicine;
 - o A health care organization committee with patient care issues related to the practice of osteopathic medicine.
 - o A national or state committee, board, council, or association related to the practice of osteopathic medicine.
 - o A committee, board, council, or association is considered acceptable by the board if it enhances the participant's knowledge and understanding of the practice of osteopathic medicine.
8. (Maximum 50 hours) Providing individual supervision for a disciplinary limited osteopathic physician.
9. (Maximum 150 hours) Participating in an approved post-graduate training program. To receive credit, the licensee must be enrolled in the program a minimum of 5 months per year.
10. (Maximum 90 hours) Publication of a scientific article relating to the practice of osteopathic medicine in a peer-reviewed journal or periodical.
11. (Maximum 90 hours) Initial publication of a chapter or a portion of a chapter related to the practice of osteopathic medicine in either a professional health care textbook or a peer-reviewed text book.
12. (Maximum 90 hours) Until 3 years after the effective date of the amended rules, attendance at or participation in a continuing education activity that had been approved by the Board prior to the effective date but no longer satisfies the continuing education requirements.

Category 2:

1. (Maximum 90 hours) Independently reading a peer-reviewed journal that does not satisfy the continuing education requirements, so long as it was completed prior to the effective date of the amended rules.
2. (Maximum 90 hours) Initial presentation of a scientific exhibit, poster, or paper to a professional osteopathic medicine organization.
3. (Maximum 90 hours) Completing a multimedia self-assessment that does not meet the continuing education requirements prior to the effective date of the amended rules. The self-assessment must improve the licensee's knowledge and understanding of the practice of osteopathic medicine.

Beginning 1 year after the effective date of the amended rules, a minimum of 3 hours of continuing education must also be earned in the area of pain and symptom management. Credit for a continuing education program or activity that is identical or substantially identical to a program or activity for which the licensee has already earned credit during the renewal period shall not be granted.

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Mich. Admin. Code R. 338.143.

Podiatry: During the three year period immediately preceding application for renewal of licensure, podiatrists must have attended approved continuing education courses or programs totaling not less than 150 hours in subjects related to the practice of podiatric medicine and surgery and designed to further educate licensees. MCL 333.18033; Mich. Admin. Code R. 338.8101 et seq. A licensee shall retain documentation of meeting the continuing education requirements for a period of 4 years from the date of applying for license renewal. Mich. Admin. Code R. 338.8126.