

**481—2061.2(154A) Continuing education requirements.**

**2061.2(1)** The biennial continuing education compliance period extends for a two-year period beginning on January 1 of each odd-numbered year and ending on December 31 of the next even-numbered year. Each biennium, each person who is licensed to practice as a hearing aid specialist in this state is required to complete a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education. A minimum of two hours will be in the content areas of Iowa hearing aid specialist law and rules, or ethics. Licensees who complete continuing education hours in excess of the requirements for renewal may apply up to 50 percent of the required hours to the following renewal period. Licensees may apply a maximum of 12 hours from the previous renewal period.

**2061.2(2)** Those persons licensed for the first time shall not be required to complete continuing education as a prerequisite for the first renewal of their licenses. Continuing education hours acquired anytime from the initial licensing until the second license renewal may be used.

**2061.2(3)** Hours of continuing education credit may be obtained by attending and participating in a continuing education activity.

**2061.2(4)** The licensee is responsible for the cost of continuing education.

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