

645—44.3 (151,272C) Standards.

44.3(1) *General criteria.* A continuing education activity which meets all of the following criteria is appropriate for continuing education credit if the continuing education activity:

- a. Constitutes an organized program of learning which contributes directly to the professional competency of the licensee;
- b. Pertains to subject matters which integrally relate to the practice of the profession;
- c. Is conducted by individuals who have specialized education, training and experience by reason of which said individuals should be considered qualified concerning the subject matter of the program. At the time of audit, the board may request the qualifications of presenters;
- d. Fulfills stated program goals, objectives, or both; and
- e. Provides proof of attendance to licensees in attendance including:
 - (1) Date(s), location, course title, presenter(s);
 - (2) Number of program clock hours; and
 - (3) Certificate of completion or evidence of successful completion of the course provided by the course sponsor.

44.3(2) *Specific criteria.*

- a. Continuing education hours of credit shall be obtained by completing:
 - (1) At least 36 hours of continuing education credit obtained from a program that directly relates to clinical case management of chiropractic patients. Beginning with the July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2010, renewal cycle, at least 24 of these hours shall be earned by completing a program in which an instructor conducts the class employing either a traditional in-person classroom-type presentation or live interactive Web conferencing. Beginning with the July 1, 2012, to June 30, 2014, renewal cycle, on-line instruction may qualify for “live” continuing education credit if provided by a Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE)-accredited chiropractic college in the United States, the Iowa Chiropractic Society, the American Chiropractic Association, or the International Chiropractors Association or if certified by the Providers of Approved Continuing Education (PACE) through the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards (FCLB). The remaining 12 hours may be obtained by independent study, including any on-line instruction.
 - (2) A minimum of two hours per biennium in professional boundaries regarding ethical issues related to professional conduct that may include but are not limited to sexual harassment, sensitivity training and ethics.
 - (3) Starting with the 2006 renewal cycle, a minimum of 12 hours per biennium of continuing education in the field of acupuncture if the chiropractic physician is engaged in the practice of acupuncture. Continuing education hours in the field of acupuncture earned between December 31, 2003, and June 30, 2004, up to a maximum of 12 hours may be used to satisfy licensure renewal requirements for either the 2004 or 2006 renewal cycle. The licensee may use the earned continuing education credit hours only once. Credit can not be duplicated for both the 2004 and 2006 compliance periods.
 - (4) Classes on child abuse and dependent adult abuse that meet the criteria in subrule 44.3(1).
 - (5) Two hours of continuing education credit at the time of the first biennial renewal period and one hour every biennial renewal period after that in the content areas of Iowa Administrative Code, 645—Chapters 40 through 46 and Iowa Code chapter 151.
- b. Continuing education hours of credit may be obtained by:
 - (1) Teaching at a Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE)-approved program or board of chiropractic-approved institution. A maximum of 15 hours per biennium may be obtained for each course taught.
 - (2) Completing electronically transmitted programs/activities or independent study programs/activities that have a certificate of completion that meets criteria in 645—44.3(151,272C).

(3) A licensee who is a presenter of a continuing education program that meets criteria in 645—44.3(151,272C) may receive credit once per biennium for the initial presentation of the program.

(4) Completing continuing education that meets criteria in 645—44.3(151,272C) or a program provided by a CCE-accredited chiropractic college in the United States, the Iowa Chiropractic Society, American Chiropractic Association or International Chiropractors Association.

(5) Completing continuing education courses/programs that are certified by the Providers of Approved Continuing Education (PACE) through the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards (FCLB).

(6) Proctoring at the NBCE examination. Fifteen hours of continuing education hours per NBCE examination event may be claimed up to a maximum of 30 hours of continuing education credit per biennium. The proctoring hours may apply toward the clinical requirement.

c. Continuing education may not be obtained by completing or teaching classes in basic anatomy and physiology or undergraduate level coursework.

44.3(3) *Specific criteria for presenters.* All instructors/presenters of a continuing education activity must include, as part of the continuing education activity, verbal and written statements to the participants regarding any affiliations or employment relationships with any entity promoting, developing or marketing products, services, procedures or treatment methods.

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