

645—203.3(148A,272C) Standards.

203.3(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, location, course title, presenter(s);
 - (2) Number of program contact hours; and
 - (3) Certificate of completion or evidence of successful completion of the course provided by the course sponsor.

203.3(2) Specific criteria. Licensees may obtain continuing education hours of credit by:

a. Presenting professional programs which meet the criteria listed in this rule. Two hours of credit will be awarded for each hour of presentation. A course schedule or brochure must be maintained for audit.

b. Providing official transcripts indicating successful completion of academic courses which apply to the field of physical therapy in order to receive the following continuing education credits:

1 academic semester hour = 15 continuing education hours of credit

1 academic trimester hour = 12 continuing education hours of credit

1 academic quarter hour = 10 continuing education hours of credit

c. Attending workshops, conferences, symposiums or electronically transmitted, live interactive conferences which relate directly to the professional competency of the licensee.

d. Authoring research or other activities the results of which are published in a recognized professional publication. The licensee shall receive five hours of credit per page.

e. Viewing videotaped presentations if the following criteria are met:

- (1) There is a sponsoring group or agency;
- (2) There is a facilitator or program official present;
- (3) The program official may not be the only attendee; and
- (4) The program meets all the criteria specified in this rule.

f. Participating in home study courses that have a certificate of completion and a postcourse test.

g. Participating in courses that have business-related topics: marketing, time management, government regulations, and other like topics.

h. Participating in courses that have personal skills topics: career burnout, communication skills, human relations, and other like topics.

i. Participating in courses that have general health topics: clinical research, CPR, child abuse reporting, and other like topics.

j. Having the following maximums per biennium:

(1) Twenty hours of credit for physical therapists and ten hours for physical therapist assistants for presenting professional programs.

(2) Twenty hours of credit for physical therapists and ten hours for physical therapist assistants for authoring research.

(3) Twenty hours of credit for physical therapists and ten hours for physical therapist assistants for viewing videotaped presentations and electronically transmitted material that have a postcourse test.

(4) Twenty hours of credit for physical therapists and ten hours for physical therapist assistants for business-related topics, personal skills topics and general health topics.

(5) Twenty hours of credit for physical therapists and ten hours for physical therapist assistants for home study courses.

k. Completing per biennium continuing education of a clinical nature at a minimum of twenty hours for physical therapists and ten hours for physical therapist assistants.