

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

PHARMACY - CONTINUING EDUCATION

(By authority conferred on the director of the department of community health by sections 16145(3) and 17731 of 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16145(3) and 333.17731 et seq. and Executive Reorganization Order Numbers 1996-1, 1996-2, and 2003-1, being MCL 330.3101, 445.2001, and 445.2011)

R 338.3041 Continuing education requirements; applicability.

Rule 1. (1) These rules apply to applications for renewal of a pharmacist's license. A renewal shall not be granted unless the applicant has fulfilled the requirements of these rules.

(2) An applicant who was originally licensed in Michigan less than 1 year before the renewal date is not required to comply with these rules.

(3) An applicant who was originally licensed in Michigan more than 1 year but less than 2 years before the renewal date shall have accumulated 15 hours of continuing education credits pursuant to these rules. An applicant under this subrule shall be exempt from the requirement of subrule (5) of this rule.

(4) Except as otherwise provided in subrules (2) and (3) of this rule, an applicant for renewal of a pharmacist's license shall furnish the board with satisfactory evidence that the applicant completed not less than 30 hours of continuing education credits acceptable to the board, as provided in R 338.3043, during the 2-year renewal period. An applicant shall comply with subdivisions (5), (6) and (7) of this subrule. This subrule takes effect July 1, 2007.(5) An applicant shall obtain a minimum of 10 hours of continuing education credits by attending live courses or programs that provide for direct interaction between faculty and participants, including but not limited to, lectures, symposia, live teleconferences, and workshops. This subrule takes effect July 1, 2007.

(6) An applicant for license renewal shall complete in each renewal period at least 1 continuing education hour in pain management, as required under section 16204 of the code. This subrule takes effect July 1, 2007.

(7) An applicant may not earn more than 12 hours of continuing education in a day. This subrule takes effect July 1, 2007.

(8) Before applying to renew a license, an applicant shall possess certificates confirming continuing education credits awarded that are dated no later than the date the applicant submits the renewal application.

History: 1979 AC; 2007 AACCS.

R 338.3042 Rescinded.

History: 1979 AC; 1997 AACCS.

R 338.3043 Education courses and programs; standards for approval.

Rule 3. (1) The board shall approve continuing education courses or programs pursuant to the standards in this rule.

(2) An organized continuing education course or program shall be a planned learning program designed to promote the continual development of knowledge, skills, and attitudes on the part of the pharmacist. The course or program shall be an individual organized educational experience under responsible sponsorship and capable direction and shall provide qualified instruction.

(3) A continuing education course or program shall be developed and presented by a sponsor and shall provide all of the following:

(a) Administrative support which ensures maintenance and availability of adequate records of participation.

(b) An adequate budget and resources.

(c) Appropriate, qualified, competent teaching staff.

(d) A statement of educational goals or measurable behavioral objectives, or both.

(e) Delivery methods that allow for active participation and involvement.

(f) Appropriate, adequate facilities.

(g) Evaluations of the participant and the provider.

(4) The accreditation council for pharmacy education (acpe) may certify a provider whose course or program was developed and presented in compliance with subrule (3) of this rule. The board may accept such certification as prima facie proof that a course or program meets the standards set forth in subrule (3) of this rule.

(5) A provider of a course or program that does not fall within subrule (4) of this rule may submit an application for approval. The application shall be submitted on a form provided by the board.

(6) A continuing education course or program shall include study in 1 or more of the following subjects:

(a) Social, psychological, economic, and legal aspects of health care delivery.

(b) The properties and actions of drugs and dosage forms.

(c) Etiology, characteristics, and therapeutics of the disease state.

(d) Emergency skills.

(e) Specialized professional services.

(f) Other areas of study that the board finds are designed to maintain or enhance a pharmacist's ability to deliver competent pharmacy services.

History: 1979 AC; 2007 AACCS.

R 338.3044 Computation of credit hours.

Rule 4. (1) If an organized continuing education course or program is offered in segments of 50 to 60 minutes each, 1 hour of credit shall be given for each such segment. A pharmacist shall not be granted multiple credit for the same program of continuing education in the same licensure renewal period. For purposes of this

rule, continuing education time shall exclude all of the following: Coffee breaks. Breakfast, lunch, or dinner breaks. Any other breaks in the program.

(2) A pharmacist may earn 1 hour of continuing education credit for each hour devoted to a home study program offered through an acpe-approved provider or other instructional approaches that include an evaluation component including, but not limited to, on-line continuing education programs and journal articles, with a maximum of 20 continuing education hours obtained in each renewal period. A pharmacist shall not be granted multiple credit for the same program of continuing education in the same licensure renewal period.

(3) Two hours of continuing education credit may be earned for each hour spent in actually presenting a course or program which has been approved for continuing education credit. A presenter shall not be granted multiple credit for the same program of continuing education in the same licensure renewal period.

(4) Twelve hours of continuing education credit may be earned for each 1 academic quarter hour of postgraduate study of a course approved for continuing education credit given by an academic institution approved by the board.

(5) Eighteen hours of continuing education credit may be earned for each 1 academic semester hour of postgraduate study of course approved for continuing education credit given by an academic institution approved by the board.

History: 1979 AC; 1982 AACCS; 2007 AACCS.

R 338.3045 Equivalent; pharmacists residing or practicing in other states.

Rule 5. (1) An applicant for renewal who resided or practiced in another state that required substantially equivalent continuing education for renewal may obtain renewal of the Michigan license upon verification of licensure in the other state.

(2) An applicant for renewal who resided or practiced in another state that does not fall within subrule (1) may obtain renewal of the Michigan license upon proof that the applicant acquired continuing education substantially equivalent to that which is otherwise required by these rules.

History: 1979 AC.