

## DIVISION 21

### PHARMACIST CONTINUING PHARMACY EDUCATION

**855-021-0005**

#### **Continuing Pharmacy Education Required for Pharmacist License Renewal**

(1) During the period from ~~June~~ **July 1** through ~~May 31~~ **June 30** of each **biennial** license renewal cycle, each pharmacist must have satisfactorily completed ~~one and one half (1.5)~~ **three (3)** continuing pharmacy education units (CEU's) in an approved continuing pharmacy education program **prior to submission of the license renewal**. Ten contact hours equals 1 CEU. Fifty minutes equals 1 contact hour.

(2) Section (1) does not apply to pharmacists applying for the first ~~annual~~ renewal of their license if they have not been licensed by the Board for at least one year prior to July 1 of the renewal period.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 689.205

Stats. Implemented: ORS 689.285

**855-021-0010**

#### **Continuing Pharmacy Education**

(1) In this rule the terms below have the meanings given:

(a) "Patient Safety" means procedures and processes that ensure that the correct patient receives the correct drug in the correct dose, and is counseled appropriately.

(b) "Medication error ~~reduction~~ **prevention**" means procedures and processes to ~~reduce~~ **prevent** and avoid adverse events and to ensure that the correct patient receives the correct drug in the correct dose.

(2) A continuing pharmacy education program means classes of post graduate studies, informal study group participation, institutes, seminars, lectures, conferences, workshops, extension study, correspondence courses, teaching, planned and professional meetings, self study courses, cassette or audio visual tape/slides or materials, and other self instruction units:

(a) A program shall consist of therapeutics, or pharmacy and drug law or other aspects of health care. **A minimum of** ~~A~~ **at least one two** hours of continuing education credit must be earned in the area of pharmacy and drug law. ~~Effective from June 1, 2011, at least one~~ **A minimum of two** hours of continuing education credit must be earned in the area of patient safety or medication error ~~reduction~~ **prevention**.

(b) Programs shall provide for examinations or other methods of evaluation to assure satisfactory completion by participants.

(c) The person or persons who are to instruct or who are responsible for the delivery or content of the program shall be qualified in the subject matter by education and experience.

(3) Continuing pharmacy education programs shall be approved by the Board of Pharmacy. Application for approval shall be made on and in accordance with forms established by the Board. The forms shall require information relating to:

(a) Name of provider or sponsor;

(b) Type of program offered;

(c) Description of subject matter;

(d) Number of contact hours offered;

(e) Total number of contact hours in therapeutics or pharmacy and drug law or other aspects of health care;

(f) Method of determining satisfactory completion of program;

(g) Dates and location of program;

(h) Name and qualification of instructors or other persons responsible for the delivery or content of the program.

(4) CE programs are not required to carry approval of American Council on Pharmaceutical Education (ACPE). Programs presented by providers approved by the American Council on Pharmacy Education (ACPE) are generally accepted, however, the Board reserves the right to determine the number of hours allowed or to disapprove such programs.

(5) Providers shall provide attendees with proof of attendance that shows the date and number of contact hours provided. Providers must maintain attendance lists for three years.

(6) Continuing pharmacy education credit accumulated in excess of the required ~~15~~ **30** contact hours for ~~annual~~ **biennial** license renewal cannot be carried forward.

(7) A maximum of ~~12~~ **20** **contact** hours (~~12.0~~ **2.0** CEU) may be earned in any licensing **cycle** ~~year~~-by preparing and presenting CE programs. Pharmacists presenting CE programs may earn one **contact** hour (0.1 CEU) for preparation time of one hour or more, plus credit for the actual contact hour time of the presentation. A pharmacist must show content of the course, and a description of the intended audience (e.g., pharmacists, physicians, nurses). Public service programs, such as presentations to school children or service clubs, are not eligible for continuing education credit.

(8) Pharmacists taking post graduate studies applicable to graduate or professional degrees may submit the course syllabus and evidence of satisfactory completion of the course for continuing education credit approval by the Board.

(9) The Board may approve up to ~~26~~ **14** (fourteen) **contact** hours of CE credit for **pharmacists** licensees who have successfully completed **nationally certified** Disease State Management courses, ~~certified by the NIPCO, NISPC, BPST, or other appropriate certified programs sponsored by established credentialing groups.~~

(10) Board members or staff may attend CE programs for the purpose of evaluating content, format and appropriateness of material for Continuing Pharmacy Education credit. Subsequent programs by CE providers whose current programs are deemed deficient by on-site evaluation may be required to obtain prior approval by the Board. The Board will provide feedback to CE providers regarding evaluated CE presentations.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 689.205

Stats. Implemented: ORS 689.285

## **855-021-0016**

### **Continuing Education in Pain Management**

(1) A pharmacist licensed under these rules must complete seven hours of continuing education in pain management as detailed in the following sub-sections. This is a one-time requirement:

(a) A one-hour pain management course, specific to Oregon, provided by the Pain Management Commission of the Oregon **Health Authority** ~~Department of Human Services~~; and

(b) A minimum of six hours of continuing education in pain management. This requirement may be fulfilled by any combination of continuing education coursework focusing on pain management including but not limited to the treatment of terminally ill and dying patients, and those with chronic, non-malignant pain.

(2) A **pharmacist** licensee must complete the required continuing education within 24 months of their first license renewal ~~after January 2, 2006.~~

(3) A **pharmacist** licensee must retain for three years, documentation showing they have met the requirement of this rule, and must provide this documentation if requested by the Board.

(4) The pain management continuing education required under this rule shall count towards the ~~4-5~~ **3.0** continuing pharmacy education units required under OAR 855-021-0005, in the license cycle in which the pain management continuing education is completed. ~~Any portion of this continuing education may count towards the requirement in OAR 855-021-0010(1)(a) for 11 hours continuing education in therapeutics.~~

Stat. Auth.: ORS 689.205  
Stats. Implemented: ORS 689.285, 409.560 & 409.565

### **855-021-0025**

#### **Continuing Pharmacy Education -- Reciprocity**

~~Continuing pharmacy education will be required for license renewal at the next renewal period after the licensee, by reciprocity, has been licensed one year in Oregon.~~

**A pharmacist reciprocating into Oregon will not be required to submit proof of continuing pharmacy education during the initial license cycle.**

Stat. Auth.: ORS 689.**285**  
Stats. Implemented: ORS 689.205

### **855-021-0045**

#### **Notification of ~~Annual~~ Biennial License Renewal**

- (1) The Board will develop an appropriate ~~annual~~ **biennial** renewal notice to be ~~mailed~~ **issued** to all licensed pharmacists prior to May 1 of ~~each year~~ **each odd numbered year**.
- (2) The notice will state the ~~annual~~ **biennial** pharmacist license fee and the continuing pharmacy education fee due for license renewal.
- (3) The notice will include the continuing pharmacy education time requirement and any other information considered pertinent for the licensee's understanding of the renewal requirements.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 689.205  
Stats. Implemented: ORS 689.275

### **855-021-0050**

#### **Renewal Application**

- (1) The ~~annual~~ **biennial** renewal ~~notice~~ **application** must be ~~returned~~ **submitted** to the Board with the appropriate fee and the pharmacist must ~~state~~ **attest** that he/she has satisfactorily completed the continuing pharmacy education requirements ~~by signing the renewal document~~.
- (2) The Board may randomly select and audit applications for renewal to verify completion of the CE programs reported on the application for renewal. Pharmacists whose applications for renewal are selected for audit must provide documentation of completion of the CE programs reported. A pharmacist who fails to provide the requested documentation to the Board or who fails to complete the ~~annual~~ **biennial** CE requirement may be disciplined for unprofessional conduct.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 689.205  
Stats. Implemented: ORS 689.275

**855-021-0055**

### **Reinstatement**

~~(1) Any petitioner for a reinstatement of a license after suspension, revocation, or refusal to renew as provided within ORS 689.445 shall produce certification of the continuing education requirement for all years in which the license has been suspended, revoked or not renewed prior to restoration of license.~~

**(1) Any person petitioning for reinstatement of a pharmacist license as provided within ORS 689.445 shall produce certification of the continuing education requirements of all years in which the license has been inactive prior to restoration of the license.**

(2) Retired pharmacists who wish to reinstate their license should refer to OAR 855-019-0040(2) **0170(2)**.

Stat. Auth.: ~~ORS 475~~ & ORS 689.**205**  
Stats. Implemented: **ORS 689.445**