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The amendments to the current Chiropractic Regulations went into effect on June 29, 2004.

The Chiropractic Board will no longer **pre-approve** continuing education programs, each chiropractor will need to determine if the continuing education program he/she will be attending is **acceptable**. A continuing education program/activity is **acceptable** when it meets the criteria outlined in 29-008.02A.(1-9) on page 17. (See attached regulations)

Each chiropractor is required to:

1. Attend 36 hours of acceptable continuing education to renew his/her license.
2. Maintain documentation of attendance that must include the certificate of attendance and a copy of the program outline/objectives to provide to the state when audited.

If you have questions, please contact Sue Kopera Crumb, Delores James, or me at (402) 471-2299.

For the Board of Chiropractic

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29-008.02 Acceptable Continuing Education: In order for a continuing education activity to be accepted for renewal or reinstatement of a license, the continuing education activity must relate to the practice of chiropractic.

29-008.02A A continuing education activity, will be acceptable when:

1. It constitutes a formally organized and planned program of learning which directly contributes to the professional competency of the licensee;
2. The objectives of the continuing education activity relate to the practice of chiropractic;
3. It has a date, location, course title, number of contact hours, signed certificate of attendance and is open to all licensees;
4. The instructor has specialized experience or training to meet the objectives of the course;
 - a. The presenter of any course on interpreting diagnostic imaging must be:
 - (1) A Diplomate of the American Chiropractic Board of Radiology or its equivalent; or
 - (2) Have five year's experience in teaching diagnostic imaging.
5. It is no more than eight hours in length;
6. One hour of credit will be awarded for each hour of attendance. Credit will not be awarded for breaks or meals;
7. If the program is five hours or longer in duration in any one day, at least an hour must be included in the program for a meal break;
8. No provider will be approved to provide programs on subject area pursuant to 172 NAC 29-008.01, items 1 and 2 for purposes of meeting the mandatory continuing education hours requirement unless the provider has provided at least one continuing education program relating to the practice of chiropractic each year for the previous three years; and
9. All programs must be monitored to assure attendance.

29-008.02B The board does not pre-approve continuing education programs but will accept as continuing education for renewal of a license or reinstatement of a license the following continuing education activities:

1. Programs at State and National Association meetings e.g., a meeting of the Nebraska Chiropractic Physicians Association or other state chiropractic

associations and/or the American Chiropractic Association or the International Chiropractic Association (ICA) or similar organizations. A licensee's documentation must include a certificate of attendance and a program outline and/or objectives;

- a. One hour credit for each hour of attendance, and only the portion of the meeting which meets the definition of continuing education, can be approved for credit.
2. Workshops, seminars, and/or conferences where the content of the continuing education activity relates to the practice of chiropractic. A licensee's documentation must include a certificate of attendance, and a program outline and/or objectives;
3. Formal education courses given at accredited institutions of higher education which relate directly to the practice of chiropractic. No more than 15 hours of continuing education credit will be awarded by the Board for each semester hour earned;
4. Programs approved by Providers of Approved Continuing Education (PACE) sponsored by the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards (FCLB);
5. Formal self study where the self study activity content relates to the practice of chiropractic, e.g. videotapes, internet courses, CDs and correspondence courses. Licensees may complete a maximum of 6 hours of continuing education by self-study each 24-month renewal period. The self-study program must have a testing mechanism scored by the provider of the self study activity. The mandatory continuing education hours pursuant to 172 NAC 29-008.01, item 2 may not be obtained by completing formal self study activities.
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