

SECTION .0200 - CONTINUING EDUCATION

21 NCAC 22F .0201 CONTINUING EDUCATION DEFINITIONS

The following definitions apply to the Rules contained in this Section:

- (1) "CE Program" means a continuing education presentation where attendance is monitored and the participants are required to be present at one or more designated physical locations. The CE Program shall consist of sessions that may be eligible for Board-approved CEU credit. A CE Program may be televised or conducted via the internet only if participants must be at a designated location where attendance is monitored by the CE Program provider.
- (2) "CEU accrual period" means the calendar year (January 1 through December 31) immediately preceding the March license renewal deadline.
- (3) "CEU reporting deadline" means the tenth day of January that immediately follows the CEU Accrual Period.
- (4) "CEU Verification Report" means the electronic form available on the Board website (www.nchalb.org) for recording CEU credits earned to satisfy the license renewal requirement.
- (5) "Continuing Education Unit" (CEU) means the reporting unit used in calculating approved continuing education hours. One-tenth of a CEU (0.10) equals one hour of approved instruction. Ten hours of approved instruction equals 1.00 CEU credit. The Board-approved CEU credits are recorded to two decimal points (for example, a session conducted for two hours would be recorded as 0.20 CEU).
- (6) "Educational objective" means a statement of the working knowledge or understanding of presented content that a participant is expected to attain upon completion of the session.
- (7) "Hour" means a full clock hour (60 minutes) of instruction and learning, excluding any time allowed for any other activity such as meals, breaks, or business or committee meetings.
- (8) "Program application" means the Board's official application for the purpose of program review for Board-approved CEU credit, which is available on the Board website.
- (9) "Presentation format" means the teaching method utilized to impart information to the participants (for example, lecture, panel discussion, demonstration, practicum, or debate).
- (10) "Report of Attendance" means the official attendance verification form entitled "Continuing Education Report of Program Attendance," which is available on the website in generic form and in specific form for approved programs and self-study.
- (11) "Self-study" means independently completed internet-based activities or events provided by the Board, or approved by the International Institute for Hearing Instruments Studies (IIHS), American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA), or American Academy of Audiology (AAA), for at least one hour of credit that includes an internet-presented examination addressing the content of the self-study session. Self-study may be:
 - (a) live, online presentations;
 - (b) prerecorded, downloaded presentations; or
 - (c) text-based, downloaded readings.
- (12) "Session" means an instructional or learning event, with at least two primary educational objectives addressing a single Board topic content category, and a specific amount of time allotted for accomplishing the specified objectives.
- (13) "Topic Content Categories" means a system to separate Board-approved sessions by content. "Category 1" is for amplification, hearing rehabilitation, hearing loss, regulations, and consumer-related issues.

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