

**21 NCAC 16I .0202 APPROVED COURSES AND SPONSORS**

(a) Courses allowed to satisfy the continuing education requirement shall be related to clinical patient care. Hours spent reviewing dental or dental hygiene publications or videos shall not count toward fulfilling the continuing education requirement, with the exception of self study courses as described in Rule .0201 of this Subchapter that are offered by a Board approved continuing education sponsor.

(b) Approved continuing education course sponsors include:

- (1) providers recognized by the American Dental Association's Continuing Education Recognition Program, the Academy of General Dentistry, the American Dental Hygienists' Association, or components of such organizations;
- (2) North Carolina Area Health Education Centers;
- (3) educational institutions with dental, dental hygiene or dental assisting schools or departments;
- (4) national, state, or local societies or associations;
- (5) local, state, or federal governmental entities; and
- (6) Federally Qualified Health Centers.

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