

NON-CLINICAL DENTAL RELATED CONTINUING EDUCATION

Preamble: The purpose of this policy is to clarify the Board's position regarding non clinical dental related continuing education courses acceptable for renewal.

Ohio Administrative Code 4715-8-01 states in pertinent part:

Acceptable continuing education for all Ohio licensees is defined as educational and scientific courses given by Board-approved sponsors consisting of activities designed to review existing concepts and techniques, to convey information beyond the basic dental education and to update knowledge on advances in scientific, and clinical practice related subject matter, including evidence-based dentistry wherein the objective is to improve the knowledge, skills and ability of the individual to provide the highest quality of service to the public and the profession.

The Board has agreed to accept up to six (6) of these [40/24] continuing education hours to be in the area of non-clinical dental subject matter.

For purposes of this policy, non-clinical dental continuing education may include, but is not limited to, those courses which aid in the management of a dental practice or clinic, including those courses pertaining to the management of third party payer issues, dental billing practices, patient and provider appeals of payment disputes and patient management of billing matters; courses to improve recall and scheduling systems, production flow, communication systems and data management; courses in organization and management of the dental practice including office computerization and design, ergonomics, and the improvement of practice administration and office operations; courses in leadership development and team development; and, courses in human resource management and employee benefits.

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