

Recording of CME Specialty Credit Hours – 2010-2012 CME Cycle

AOA certification policy requires board-certified diplomats to earn at least 50 hours of continuing medical education (CME) in their specialty during each three-year CME cycle. At its recent meeting in July 2009, the AOA Board of Trustees approved the following rules for applying CME to this 50-hour specialty credit requirement:

1. Credit for specialty CME provided by AOA CME Sponsors other than the relevant specialty affiliate may only be awarded by the certifying board with jurisdiction.
2. Each specialty certifying board will establish a CME Advisory Subcommittee, which will monitor compliance of CME programs based on the approved template and its defined criteria as needed.
3. Physicians may petition the specialty certifying board's CME Advisory Subcommittee on a case-by-case basis for exception to the policy. To request this process, contact the AOA Division of CME at 800-621-1773, ext. 8262.

Contact information for each CME Advisory Subcommittee will be posted on the DO-Online website, along with information for submitting a petition for an exception to the policy.