

TENNESSEE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

**POLICY STATEMENT REGARDING PROOF OF COMPLIANCE REQUIRED FOR
CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION**

A medical doctor licensed in Tennessee is required to complete forty (40) hours of continuing medical education courses during the twenty-four (24) months that precede licensure renewal. (See Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 0880-02-.19 regarding continuing education requirements). Until December 31, 2024, in response to an audit the board will accept CMEs obtained on a calendar cycle or those obtained during a renewal cycle. All licensee whose license expire after January 1, 2025, will be required to submit proof of CME for the past renewal cycle rather than the calendar year cycle.

Pursuant to Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 0880-02-.19(2)(c), proof of compliance with this requirement can be shown by one or more of the following:

1. Original certificates or photocopies of original certificates from course providers verifying the licensee's attendance and/or completion of hours.
2. Original letter or photocopies of original letter from course providers verifying the licensee's attendance and/or completion of hours.
3. Documentation from the American Academy of Family Physicians (hereafter AAFP) indicating acquired continuing medical education hours.

The Board of Medical Examiners is aware and understands that transcripts from course providers may be more readily available to demonstrate compliance than certificates from course providers verifying a licensee's attendance and/or completion of hours. In practice, the Board of Medical Examiners has previously accepted transcripts from course providers and will continue to do so until a rule amendment is effectuated to reflect that in addition to the above, the Board of Medical Examiners will also accept transcripts from course providers to demonstrate compliance with the board's continuing medical education requirements.

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