

CME REQUIREMENTS for MD's

Continuing Medical Education (CME) is required for initial licensure and renewal. The chart below describes these requirements. CME coursework for licensees renewing by January 31, 2011 must have been completed between February 1, 2009 and January 31, 2011. Licensees should not submit CME documentation unless audited. Physicians and/or spouses in the military are exempt from the CME requirements.

All CME must be AMA approved category I, except for Domestic Violence and Prevention of Medical Errors. Domestic Violence and Prevention of Medical Errors courses offered by any State or Federal Government Agency or professional association including any provider of category I or II AMA continuing medical education will be acceptable.

Required Continuing Medical Education	
Initial Licensure	2 hours in Prevention of Medical Errors Education
First Time License Renewal	1 hour HIV/AIDS 2 hours in Prevention of Medical Errors Education
Second and Subsequent Renewals	38 hours general CME 2 hours in Prevention of Medical Errors Education
Every third renewal	2 hours in Prevention of Medical Errors Education. 2 hours in Domestic Violence 36 hours general CME For those whose license expires 1/31/09, the 3rd renewal will be 1/31/2011.

NOTE: End-of-Life Care and Palliative Care can no longer be completed in lieu of HIV/AIDS or Domestic Violence courses.

*Two (2) hours of Domestic Violence is required once every third biennium

CME Requirements for DO's

In order to retain their Florida licenses, osteopathic physicians must earn a set number of hours of Continuing Medical Education (CME) credit.

· the licensure period beginning April 1, 2006 - March 31, 2008, each physician must complete a total of 40 CME hours, 20 of which must be Category 1-A. Included in the 40 hours, there are **five (5) mandatory hours required for Florida relicensure** (each licensure period) and cannot be taken by correspondence.

The following must be LIVE, PARTICIPATORY credits:

- 2 hours of Prevention of Medical Errors
- 1 hour of Risk Management
- 1 hour of Florida Laws & Rules
- 1 hour of Uses & Abuses of Controlled Substances

In addition to the above 5 hours, you are required to take 2 hours of Domestic Violence every 6 years. This may be taken by correspondence:

2 hours of Domestic Violence every 6 years starting 4/1/06

FOR NEW LICENSEES ONLY:

•1 hour of HIV/AIDS must be taken before the end of your **FIRST** licensure renewal. All those that are not in their first two years of licensure are **NOT REQUIRED** to take an HIV/AIDS course.

REMEMBER: Any FOMA CME meeting you attend you will receive ALL of your MANDATORY hours and those hours will be reported to CE Broker and the AOA for you as a member benefit!

Licensure Periods:

(Previous) April 1, 2006- March 31, 2008

(Current) April 1, 2008- March 31, 2010

(Next) April 1, 2010- March 31, 2012

To help Florida's osteopathic physicians earn these credits, the FOMA holds two meetings each year. Our Annual Convention is held each spring in Fort Lauderdale and our Mid-Year Seminar is held each fall in Tampa. Discounts on registration rates are available to all FOMA members. Visit the website for more information and for conference dates: <http://www.foma.org/cme.htm>

