CHAPTER 17-03-02
PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

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17-03-02-01. Professional education.

1. All licensees shall complete a minimum of twenty hours of approved continuing chiropractic education per year. Hours earned through a provider of approved continuing education or board-approved continuing chiropractic education programs will be acceptable. In order to receive board approval, a continuing chiropractic education program must meet one of the following:

   a. A program sponsored by the board;

   b. A program sponsored or cosponsored by a college of chiropractic accredited by the council on chiropractic education or its successor or equivalent;

   c. A health-related seminar sponsored by an equally accredited college or university; or

   d. A health-related educational program or seminar arranged by a medical or chiropractic association and approved by the board.

2. In order to have a program approved, the sponsor shall submit to the board the following information in addition to any other information requested by the board:

   a. A detailed course outline or syllabus including such items as the method of instruction and the testing materials.

   b. The qualifications and subjects taught by each instructor appearing in the program.

   c. The procedure to be used for recording attendance of those attendees seeking to apply for continuing chiropractic education credit.

   d. The instructor is approved by the board of chiropractic examiners.

3. The board must be the sole determinant of whether the courses are approved for continuing chiropractic education credit. The board shall make that determination based on the information submitted to it. In making its decision, the board shall determine whether or not the course submitted for credit meets the basic objectives and goals of continuing chiropractic education. Those basic goals include the growth of knowledge, the cultivation of skills and greater understanding, the continual striving for excellence in chiropractic care, and the improvement of health and welfare of the public.

4. On or before September first of each year, licensees may elect to renew their licenses as inactive. The inactive status is at a reduced fee for those licensees who do not practice, consult, or provide any service relative to the chiropractic profession in the state. The inactive licensee does not have to provide proof of continuing educational hours. Any inactive licensee may activate the license at any time by paying an additional fee and showing proof of twenty hours of continuing education in the last twelve months.

5. All licensees must have three hours of professional boundary study every three years prior to renewal of their licenses. These three hours will be included in the annual twenty-hour requirement in the year taken.

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Law Implemented: NDCC 43-06-13

17-03-02-02. Peer review.

1. Peer review must be performed by a committee of three individuals appointed by the board. Membership on the committee shall consist of three licensed chiropractors, none of whom may be in a direct or indirect business or personal relationship with the provider, insurer, or patient whose care is being reviewed.

2. The peer review committee shall investigate any complaint referred by the board concerning whether a licensed chiropractor may have violated any standard of practice.

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17-03-02-03. Report of disciplinary actions.

The board, or a reporting agent utilized by the board, will report all final disciplinary actions to the chiropractic information network board action data bank (CIN-BAD). In addition, by law, the board will report all final disciplinary actions to the national practitioner data bank. The board will also publish all final disciplinary actions on the board's website.

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