

## **Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists Continuing Education**

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### **General Requirements**

Audiology and speech-language pathology licenses expire on May 31st of even number years. Continuing education units must be obtained to qualify for renewal. One hour attended at a program is equal to one continuing education unit (1 CEU).

### **Audiologists**

For the 2010 – 2012 renewal cycle only, CEUs must be obtained between January 1, 2010 and May 31, 2012.

Audiologists who are issued their initial license between June 1, 2010 and November 30, 2011 are subject to a prorated CEU requirement to qualify for renewal in May 2012. To view the prorated CEU requirements, [click here](#).

Audiologists who receive their initial license between December 1, 2011 and May 30, 2012 are exempt from the CEU requirements to qualify for renewal in May 2012.

Audiologists must obtain a minimum of twenty (20) CEUs to qualify for renewal. A minimum of ten (10) CEUs must be directly in the area of audiology. A minimum of ten (10) CEUs must be in areas related to audiology, speech-language pathology or both, including practice management courses.

An individual that holds dual licensure (licenses in both audiology and speech-language pathology) must obtain a total of thirty (30) continuing education units in the two year renewal period. A minimum of ten (10) CEUs must be in speech-language pathology, a minimum of ten (10) CEUs must be in audiology and a minimum of ten (10) CEUs must be in related areas.

Continuing education hours may not be carried over from one renewal period to the next.

### **Speech-Language Pathologists**

For the 2010 – 2012 renewal cycle, CEUs must be obtained between January 1, 2010 and December 31, 2011.

Speech-language pathologists who are issued their initial license between June 1, 2010 and November 30, 2011 are subject to a prorated CEU requirement to qualify for renewal in May 2012. To view the prorated CEU requirements, [click here](#).

Speech-language pathologists who receive their initial license between December 1, 2011 and May 30, 2012 are exempt from the CEU requirements to qualify for renewal in May 2012.

Speech-language pathologists must obtain a minimum of twenty (20) CEUs to qualify for renewal. A minimum of ten (10) CEUs must be directly in the area of speech-language pathology. A minimum of ten (10) CEUs must be in areas related to audiology, speech-language pathology or both, including practice management courses.

An individual that holds dual licensure (licenses in both audiology and speech-language pathology) must obtain a total of thirty (30) continuing education units in the two year renewal period. A minimum of ten (10) CEUs must be speech-language pathology, a minimum of ten (10) CEUs must be in audiology and a minimum of ten (10) CEUs must be in related areas.

Continuing education hours may not be carried over from one renewal period to the next.

### **Documentation of Continuing Education**

Maintaining documentation of continuing education credits is the responsibility of the licensee. A licensee must:

1. Obtain a certificate of completion or a verification letter for each program attended;
2. Maintain the original certificates or verifications in professional files (do not mail them to the Board);
3. Sign a statement attesting to having obtained the required CEUs at the time of license renewal (Do not sign this statement if your CEU hours are not completed); and
4. Maintain all CEU records for at least four (4) years after the renewal is completed.

At the time of license renewal, the Board will audit 10% of all licensees in accordance with COMAR 10.41.03.06E(1). Licensees selected for audit are chosen randomly by computer. Licensees who are audited in one renewal period are not exempt from audits in subsequent renewal periods. Licensees selected for audit must submit documentation of CEU hours of courses attended with the renewal application. A licensee that renews with the on-line renewal process must submit the CEU documentation to the Board before the renewal license is issued.