

Supplement C – Acceptable CE Courses for Relicensure

The Dental Board of CA has delineated acceptable continuing education course content into 3 areas:

1. Mandatory courses:
 - CA Dental Practice Act
 - Infection Control
 - Basic Life Support
2. Courses directly related to clinical delivery of dental services to community*
3. Courses considered to be primarily of benefit to the licensee, such as practice management**

****At least 80% of the required CE units must be earned in courses in the actual clinical delivery of dental services to the patient – including the mandatory courses. These courses include the following:***

- preventive services
- diagnosis
- comprehensive treatment planning
- patient nutrition counseling
- corrective and restorative oral health treatment
- dentistry's role in individual and community health emergencies and disasters
- legal requirement governing the licensee in the areas of auxiliary employment and delegation of responsibilities
- HIPAA
- workplace, environmental and general safety
- dependency issues and substance abuse
- selection, incorporation and use of current and emerging technologies
- pertaining to the legal and ethical aspects of the dental insurance industry

***** No more than 20% of required units may be in courses considered to be primarily of benefit to the licensee. Such courses can include:***

- addressing patient record keeping
- skills such as communication, behavioral sciences, patient management and motivation when oriented specifically to the needs of the dental practice.
- Other subjects of direct concern to dentistry such as: dento-legal matters, risk management, liability, malpractice, employment law, employment practices.
- methods of health care delivery and socio-political problems directly involving dentistry
- improve recall and scheduling systems, production workflow, communication systems and data management
- organization and management of the dental practice – topics include: office computerization and design, ergonomics, the improvement of practice administration and office operations.
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- leadership development and team development
- peer evaluation and case studies that include reviewing clinical evaluation procedures and reviewing diagnostic data
- human resource management and employee benefits

Courses NOT accepted for CE credit include: money management, personal income, physical fitness, weight management, political presentations, memory training, speed reading, marketing, motivational topics, practice profitability, classes on purchase or sale of dental practice, transfer or ownership or retirement