



THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH REGULATORY SERVICES
Health Practice Commission



CPAM – COUNCIL FOR PROFESSIONS ALLIED WITH MEDICINE

| Profession | Minimum CE Hours | Profession | Minimum CE Hours |
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| Acupuncturists | 5 | Occupational Therapists | 10 |
| Audiologists | 5 | Opticians | 10 |
| Chiropodists | 5 | Optometrists | 15 |
| Chiropractors | 10 | Orthoptists | 10 |
| Clinical Psychologists | 10 | Osteopaths | 10 |
| Dieticians | 15 | Paramedics | 15 |
| Emergency Medical Technicians | 10 | Physiotherapists | 10 |
| Homeopaths | 5 | Psychotherapists | 10 |
| Medical Herbalists | 5 | Radiographers | 10 |
| Medical Lab Technicians | 5 | Respiratory Therapists | 10 |
| Medical Technologists | 10 | Speech and Language Pathologists | 5 |
| Mental Health Counsellors | 10 | Substance Abuse Counsellors | 10 |
| Nutritionists | 15 | Therapeutic Massage Practitioners | 5 |

Continuing Education hours are required annually.

Council will accept CE hours from 1st October of the prior year that have not been previously submitted.

Sixty (60) percent of CE must be specific to the practitioner's discipline. The rest can be in an area of generally related topics.

Only twenty (20) percent of CEs obtained by training on technical equipment and technology will be allowed and should be related to the practitioner's discipline. Approving the suitability of training as CE is subject to the Council's discretion.

The original CE Certificates must be provided. Copies should be provided if the practitioner wishes to have the originals returned.

The Council encourages the practitioners to exceed the minimum requirements on an annual basis. Therefore, CEs obtained beyond and above the minimum hours required for registration can not be carried over for use in the following year's registration.

Persons registered between 1 April and 30 June will need to provide half (50%) of the CE credits required for the next year's retention of registration.

Persons registered between 1 July and 30 September will need to provide a quarter (25%) of the CE credits required for the next year's retention of registration.

In the event that the Council finds a practitioner's CE to be deficient the practitioner will be allowed 2 months of grace to provide the required CEs. However, the accepted CEs must be provided by 31 December to avoid penalty fees. If the practitioner enters the year of registration without having provided the requisite CEs the Council will provide a Temporary registration from 1 January to 28(29) February that will cost 50% of the Registration fee in addition to any other fees. It is the practitioner's prerogative to refuse the temporary registration with the understanding that they cannot practice until the Council has approved their CE for the registration year.