

Board of Nursing

**Continuing Education Requirements
for 2022 (RN and APRN) Renewal
and 2023 (LPN) Renewal**

2022 – Total 24 hours required for RNs and APRNs (15 hours in pharmacology for APRNs)

2023 – Total 18 hours required for LPNs

These are required by law: 2 hours in COVID Vaccinations (for active licenses on September 2021), 2 hours in LGBTQ or Cultural Awareness, 3 hours in HIV/AIDS or Director’s Topics, which may be found:

https://dchealth.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/doh/page_content/attachments/DC%20Health%20Public%20Notice%20Regarding%20Public%20Health%20Topics%20for%20CE.pdf

Upload evidence of completion with renewal applications

First time renewals are exempt from CE except the COVID Vaccinations if licensed by September 2021.

METHODS OF COMPLIANCE

❖ **CONTACT HOUR OPTION**

May be used if you have completed continuing education offerings.

DOCUMENTATION NEEDED:

Certificates of completion from an approved continuing education provider. Certificates must show the number of hours received, date of completion and provider’s approval status.

❖ **ACADEMIC OPTION**

May be used when you have completed a course leading towards a degree in nursing or any academic course relevant to the practice of nursing. 1 credit = 15 contact hours.

DOCUMENTATION NEEDED:

Unofficial school transcript that contains name of university and student, courses, and grades.

❖ **PRESENTER OPTION**

May be used if you have developed and taught a course or educational offering for a continuing education provider approved by an accrediting body or Board of Nursing. Four (4) Contact hours for each approved contact hour

Please note: This is not an option for nurses required to develop and teach continuing education courses as a condition of employment.

DOCUMENTATION NEEDED (any of the following)

Verification form indicating your name, the name of the accrediting body and the number of contact hours AND

Letter from an accrediting body acknowledging their approval of your course.

❖ **AUTHOR OR EDITOR OPTION**

Author of a book chapter or peer reviewed article (if the manuscript has been published or accepted for publication during the period for which credit is claimed. This option will meet all remaining hours for non-required CE topics.

DOCUMENTATION NEEDED (any of the following)

Letter of acceptance OR Copy of title page of the book or article (for articles, include the name of the journal, if not indicated on the title page) OR Copy of page listing you as editor