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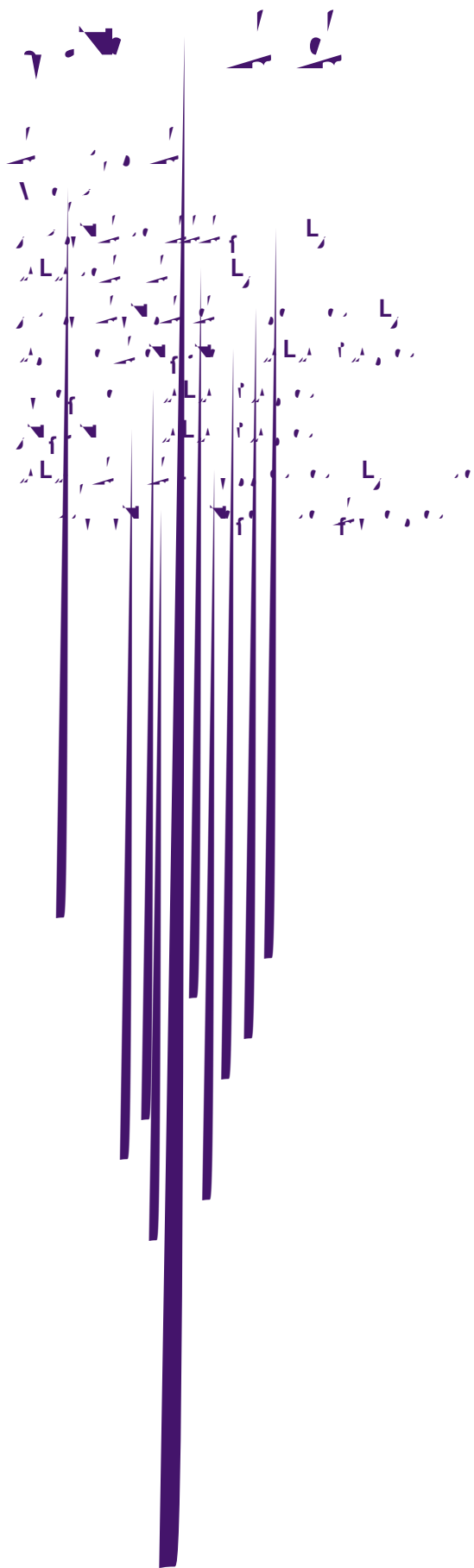




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AMA PRA Category 1 Credit

This document describes the requirements that must be followed by accredited continuing medical education (CME) providers in order to receive credit for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit—and also describe the requirements for physicians wishing to obtain the American Medical Association's (AMA) Physician Recognition Award (PRA) and the important related information. The AMA PRA has recognized physician participation in CME for more than 40 years. AMA PRA credit is recognized and accepted by the national accrediting bodies, state medical licensing boards and medical specialty accrediting boards, as well as the profession.

History

The AMA was founded by Nathan D. Davis, MD, in 1847 in Philadelphia. The AMA's Committee on Medical Education and the Committee on Ethics, among others, have since the association and the medical profession's development. The AMA was organized in 1901 at which time the Committee on Medical Education became the Council on Medical Education and is now known as the Accredited Bodies of Physician Fellowship on medical education by making recommendations.



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Accredited CME providers have activities that are eligible for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit—meaning all AMA eligible activities, which include the following: and for maintenance of certification.

AMA PRA Category 1 Credit

Each activity has a credit for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit—meaning:

1. Conform to the AMA's definition of CME.
2. Address demonstrated educational need.
3. Communicate to participants, a clearly identified educational goal and objective in advance of participation in the activity.
4. Be designed using AMA approved learning formats and learning methodologies appropriate to the activity; educational goal and objective; credit must be based on AMA guidelines for the type of learning format used.
5. Present content that is in-depth and (1) Fc()11()-9(e)11(j)-5(e)-5(c)-7()-10()-9()-8(e a)9(n)4(d)2()5(b)11(j)-5(.9()6(P)Fc()



Credits for a one-hour session are 1.5
AMA PRA Category 1 Credits for a 45-minute
session are 0.75. The session has a designated
AMA PRA Category 1 Credit hour.



- Be a de hand, o e ha e i e a e i e of he li e a e and a knoledge of he e idence ba e fo he e ion .
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- Acc edi ed CME o ide . ho ld de igna e each e i em i ing ac i i e fo en (10) *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit* —

5. P ()

Man , c i e i e i a ce i ed CME ac i i e in hich a hician lea n h o gh he c i c a e i e of an a i gned jo nal man , c i .

To be ce i ed fo *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit* — a man , c i e i e ac i i e m :

- Mee all AMA o e e i emen , fo ce i f i ng an ac i i e
- In o l e a e i e of an a i c l e ha ha been , b m i ed fo b l i c a ion in a jo nal ha i incl ded in he MEDLINE bibliog a hic da aba e .
- In o l e a e i e of a man , c i ha i an o i g n a l con i b i on of he medical li e a e ha e i e m l i l e e i e .
- P o i d e c l e a i n c i o n o he hician on h o o c c e f l l o m l e e he ac i i e
- Be a de hand, o e ha e i e a e i e of he li e a e and a knoledge of he e idence ba e fo he man , c i e i e d .
- Ha e an o e i gh mechani m o e al a e he a l i o f e i e . b m i ed .

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- Acc edi ed CME o ide . ho ld de igna e each ac ce ed man , c i e i e a doc men ed b o he jo nal e d i o , fo h ee (3) *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit* —
- *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit* — ho ld on l e be a d e d fo a e i e ha i de emed ac ce a b l e b o he e d i o .

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To be ce i ed fo *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit* — a PI CME ac i i e m :

- Mee all AMA o e e i emen , fo ce i f i ng an ac i i e
- Ha e an o e i gh mechani m ha a . e o n en in e g i o f he elec ed e fo mance mea e . e e mea e m . be e idence ba e d² and b l l de i g n e d (e.g., c l e a d e c i f e e i e d da e l emen , en e ha da a c o l l e c i o n i f e a i b l e) .
- P o i d e c l e a i n c i o n o he hician ha de ne he e d c a i o n a l o c e of he PI CME ac i i e (doc - men a ion, imeline , e c) .
- P o i d e a d e a e backg o n d i n f o m a i o n o ha hician can i d e n i f y and n d e . and he e fo mance mea e ha b l l g i d e hei PI CME ac i i e and he e idence ba e behind h o e mea e .
- Valida e he de h of hician a i c i a ion b o a e i e of b m i ed PI CME ac i i e doc men a ion .
- Con i o f he fo l l o i ng h ee age :

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Credit

Some activities do not occur under the auspices of an accredited CME provider. The Council on Medical Education recognizes the learning has occurred in completing the activity and allows the physician to claim AMA PRA Category 1 Credit—directly from the AMA for the activity deemed in his/her opinion.

To claim credit for the activity, the physician holds a valid AMA for a certificate indicating the AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ awarded for completion of each activity. Information and the direct educational link can be found at www.ama-assn.org/go/directeducation. The activity include:

Peer review and teaching original research in a national activity that has been certified for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit—(if the accredited CME provider has no additional credit for this).

Example: a copy of the age-related by the provider to announce describe the activity which include the name of the speaker, accredited CME provider, AMA Credit Designation Statement and location of the activity.

Example: (2) AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — one (1) hour of research time.

Publishing, a leadership (editorial), a peer-reviewed article in a journal included in the MEDLINE bibliography database.

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AMA PRA Category 2 Credit

AMA PRA Category 2 Credit™ is self-designated and claimed by



Since 1968, a physician and colleague has recognized the AMA PRA as evidence of a physician's commitment to keeping current with the advances in biomedical science, a well as to the development in medicine. The goal of his award remains the same as he established more than 40 years ago:

- To provide recognition for the maintenance and of physician knowledge in CME
- To encourage all physician to keep up-to-date and to improve their knowledge and judgment in CME
- To provide encouragement to the public health America's physician to remain in continuing education in CME
- To emphasize the AMA's position as a leader in CME
- To emphasize the importance of developing more meaningful continuing education opportunities for physician
- To strengthen the physician's position as a leader of the health care team by focusing attention on his or her influence in maintaining professional competence.

The AMA encourages all physician to become involved in a program that honors them as professional who participate in CME in order to better meet the need of their patients.

In addition, the AMA PRA is available to all physicians who are active in CME. More information is available on the AMA PRA website at www.ama-assn.org.

Physicians may also receive the AMA PRA if they hold a valid and current license issued by one of the United States, Canadian or Mexican licensing jurisdiction and are engaged in an ACGME- accredited continuing education program in the United States.

In order to receive an AMA PRA, physician must earn a minimum number of AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — either through accredited CME activities, from the AMA's didactic activities, or in a national activity. The number of credits earned for the award may be either the AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — or AMA PRA Category 2 Credit —

the AMA's online, on- and off-line AMA PRA. The requirements for each award are as follows:

- Ten (20) AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — and five (30) AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — or AMA PRA Category 2 Credit — (50 credits total)
- One year ACGME evidence of fellowship training
- Ten (40) AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — and five (60) AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — or AMA PRA Category 2 Credit — (100 credits total)
- One year ACGME evidence of fellowship training
- Sixty (60) AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — and nine (90) AMA PRA Category 1 Credits — or AMA PRA Category 2 Credit — (150 credits total)
- One year ACGME evidence of fellowship training
- One ABMS board certification or MOC

The AMA PRA is a commendation available to all physician who meet the following requirements:

- Sixty (60) AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — and five (30) AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — or AMA PRA Category 2 Credit — (90 credits total)
- One hundred and ten (120) AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — and five (60) AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — or AMA PRA Category 2 Credit — (180 credits total)
- One hundred and eighty (180) AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — and nine (90) AMA PRA Category 1 Credit — or AMA PRA Category 2 Credit — (270 credits total)

The AMA's award has a long history of celebrating the achievements of the AMA's members in the health care field. The award is a recognition of the physician's commitment to the advancement of the health care system. The award is a recognition of the physician's commitment to the advancement of the health care system. The award is a recognition of the physician's commitment to the advancement of the health care system.

The AMA PRA signal a commitment to ongoing accreditation in CME and acknowledge a accreditation in CME activities. The AMA grant the accreditation to one of the CME credit activities. The accreditation begins on the month following the completion date of the CME activity. The accreditation to which the physician claimed AMA PRA Category 1 Credit—For example, a physician applying for a CME activity on March 21, 2010, will be

