

CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS OF STATE DENTAL BOARDS FOR DENTISTS AND AUXILIARIES

State	Required Credit Hours			Cycle Length	Year (to be Implemented)	Advance Approval		How Credit is Monitored
	Dentist	Hygienist	Assistant			Sponsor	Course	
Alabama	20	12		1 yr.	1992			Random Audit.
Alaska	28	14		2 yr.	D-1990 H-1991	yes	yes	Sworn statement of compliance submitted for license renewal; records must be produced upon request
Arizona	72	54		3 yrs.	1997			Affidavit of Compliance; random audit.
Arkansas	50	40		2 yrs.	1994	no	no	Listed on license renewal form.
California	50	25	25	2 yrs.	1974	yes		Listed on license renewal form; certificate of completion must be produced upon request.
Colorado	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	
Connecticut	NA	16		2 yrs.	1989	yes	yes	Random audit. Certificate of completion must be produced upon request.
Delaware	50	24		2 yrs.	1990	yes	yes	Statement of compliance; records must be produced on request.
D. C.	25	15		2 yrs.	1991	yes	yes	Listed on renewal form; completion must be verified by sponsor.
Florida	30	24		2 yrs.	D-1985 H-1980	yes	yes	Affidavit of Compliance; produce records upon request.
Georgia	40	22		2 yrs.	1992			Random Audit
Hawaii	32	20		2 yrs.	2002	yes		Submit certificate of completion on renewal, random audit
Idaho	15	12		1 yr.	1994			Listed on license renewal form.
Illinois	32	24		2 yrs.	1992	yes	yes	Affidavit of Compliance; produce records upon request.
Indiana	20	14		2 yrs.	1992	yes		Random audit.
Iowa	30	30	20	2 yrs.	1979	yes	yes	Sponsor's attendance list cross-checked with information on renewal form. DAs CE requirement begins July 2001
Kansas	60	30		2 yr.	1978	yes	yes	Listed on license renewal form.
Kentucky	15	15		1 yr.	D-1973 H-1979	yes	yes	Continuing education submitted on credit record annually by 12/31 Specialists must complete 40 of the req'd hours in specialty.
Louisiana	40	24		2 yr.	1995			Reported on form provided; random audit.
Maine	40	30		2 yrs.	D-1991 H-1992	yes	yes	Statement of completion on renewal forms; random audit.
Maryland	30	25		2 yrs.	1994	yes	yes	Verify compliance on renewal form, maintain records for 4 years and produce upon request.
Massachusetts	40	20		2 yrs.	1982			Listed on license renewal form; records must be produced upon request. Certificate of compliance on renewal form.
Michigan	60	36	36	3 yrs.	1994	yes		Certificate must be kept and produced upon audit.
Minnesota	75	40	25 ⁽²⁾	5 yrs.	1969	yes		
Mississippi	40	20 ^(b)	12 ⁽⁴⁾	2 yr.	1994			Listed on license renewal form.
Missouri	50	30		2 yrs.	1993	yes		Reported annually on form provided, maintain records for six years, random audit.
Montana	60	36		3 yrs.	1993			Listed on license renewal form.
Nebraska	30	30		2 yrs.	1985	yes	yes	Listed on license renewal form.
Nevada	12	12		1 yr.	1986	yes	yes	Sworn statement of compliance; produce records upon request.
New Hampshire	40	20		2 yrs.	1990	yes	yes	Random audit
New Jersey	40	10		2 yrs.	D-1992 H-1979	no		Listed on license renewal form.
New Mexico	60	45/60		3 yrs.	1979	yes	yes	*DH in Collaborative Practice must complete 60 hours. Listed on License renewal form; records must be produced upon request.
New York	45	24		3 yrs.	1997			Certify compliance on renewal, produce records on request
North Carolina	15	6		1 yrs.	1995			Listed on license renewal form; random audit.
North Dakota	32	16	8/yr.	2	1976/2002		yes	Course outline sent to board after each course.

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Ohio	40	12		2 yrs.	1990	yes	yes	Affidavit of compliance; produce records upon request.
Oklahoma	60	30	X	3 yrs.	1980			Reported to board on special card after each course.
Oregon	40	24		2 yrs.	1991	yes	yes	Statement of compliance submitted for license renewal.
Pennsylvania	30	20	10	2 yrs.	2001	yes		Documentation submitted with license renewal form.
Rhode Island	60	30		3 yrs.	1992			Documentation submitted with license renewal form.
South Carolina ⁽¹⁾	28	14		2 yrs.	1999	yes	yes	Reported to the board annually on form provided.
South Dakota	100	75	60 ⁽³⁾	5 yrs.	1974			Listed on license renewal form; records must be produced upon request.
Tennessee	40	30	24	2yrs.	1990 amd 2003	yes		Random audit, 2 hours req'd in Chemical Dependency
Texas	12	12		1 yr.	2001	yes		Random audit.
Utah	30	30		2 yrs.	1997			Enacted March 1996.
Vermont	NA	12		2 yrs.	1993	yes	yes	Statement of compliance submitted for license renewal, subject to audit.
Virginia	15	15		1 yr.	1995	yes		Statement of compliance submitted for license renewal, subject to audit. Only dentists may carry excess hours to next year cycle.
Washington	21	15		1yr.	1992			Random audit.
West Virginia	20	12		2 yrs.	1996	yes	yes	Reported on board's form; produce records upon request;
Wisconsin	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-		subject to audit.
Wyoming	BLS only	BLS only	N.A.	1 yr.				Requires annual CE only to renew BLS by dentists & DHs
Puerto Rico	46	24	24	3 yrs.	1976	yes		Reported to board after each course.

Total States* 46 47 12

*District of Columbia and Puerto Rico also require CE for dentists & hygienists.

Several states mandate continuing education on specific subjects:

AIDS/HIV: FL, KY (initial licensure; license renewal); WA (initial licensure)

INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONTROL: AL, AZ, CA, KY, MD, NM, NY, OH, RI, WV

CHILD ABUSE IDENTIFICATION AND REPORTING: IA - (Dentists only); NY

CPR CERTIFICATION: ID, IA (DH only); AZ, GA, NV, NM, OK, PA, SC, SD, NC, TN (BLS-HI, KY, WY)

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: FL

ORAL HEALTH EFFECTS OF TOBACCO: NY (dentist need only take a 2 hour course one time in career.)

CE CREDIT HOURS GRANTED FOR TREATING UNDERSERVED: FL-5

- (1) Dental Lab Technicians-8 hours of C.E. every 2 years.
- (2) Twenty Five hours of C.E. for D.A.'s with Advanced Registration and 10 hours for D.A.'s with Limited Registration.
- (3) Only Advanced Dental Assistants must fulfill continuing education requirements.
- (4) Dental Hygienists and Dental Assistants who operate x-ray machines must take twelve hours C.E. in radiology.

X-Dental Board Authorized to Develop Regulations.