Maine

Total Hours 40
Renewal Cycle Two (odd) years
Renewal Deadline December 31st
Self Study No minimum / No maximum
Live/In Person No minimum / No maximum
How Monitored Attestation and Audit
CE Entry Continuing Education Log: https://www.maine.gov/dental/documents/ce_log.pdf
Renewal Method Online:
https://licensing.web.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/licensing/begin.pl?board_number=384

CE Content Required
■ BLS (3 hours maximum; training must include hands-on participation with the instructor) or ACLS or PALS (6 hours maximum; training must include hands-on participation with the instructor)
■ Prescribing of opioid medication (3 hours minimum, if DEA registered)

First renewal for dentists. Dentists who are renewing for the first time must complete one half of the required continuing education credit hours as outlined in this chapter and must have a current BLS certification. The content of the credit hours must include completion of 3 credit hours in opioid medication prescribing as a condition to prescribe opioid medication, and completion of 6 credit hours of sedation and/or anesthesia training as a condition to administer sedation under Chapter 14 of the Board's rules.

CE Content Not Accepted
Continuing education pursuant to a Board order or consent agreement.
General attendance at a conference.
Business meetings of a professional association.
Study of yoga, energy healing; exploration of personal growth; or any activity of any nature whatsoever that does not directly relate to dental practice.
Reading of an article, a professional journal, an online or written publication, or a professional publication without an examination.
Clinical examinations taken to obtain a license.

CE Providers Accepted

- Academy of General Dentistry and their constituent and component and affiliates
- Academy of General Dentistry's Program Approval for Continuing Education (AGD PACE)
- American Dental Association and their constituent and component and affiliates
- American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation (ADA CODA) approved dental, dental hygiene or dental assisting school
- American Dental Association's Continuing Education Recognition Program (ADA CERP)
- American Dental Hygiene Association and their constituent and component and affiliates
- American Dental Society of Anesthesiology and their constituent and component and affiliates
- American Heart Association
- American Medical Association specialty medical associations/organizations, the Accreditation Council on Continuing Medical Education
- American Medical Association's Liaison Committee for Medical Education
- American Red Cross
- The International Federation of Denturists (IFD) or its component societies or the Maine Licensed Denturist Association.
- Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations approved hospitals
- National Board for Certification in Dental Laboratory Technology approved courses
- National Dental Associations and their constituent and component and affiliates
- National Dental Hygiene Association and their constituent and component and affiliates

The ADA attempts to keep this information current based on information from state dental boards and state dental associations. Individuals seeking dental licensure renewal should consult with the state board of dentistry and their professional advisors for the complete and most recent continuing education requirements, dental licensure renewal information, procedures, forms and fees.

- United States Department of Education accredited hospital, college, university, or community college
- U.S. Veterans Administration or the armed forces.

Other activities that count towards CE
(all references are for credits earned during the entire renewal period, unless otherwise noted)

- There is no credit hour limit on any of the following activities:
  - Presentations, lectures, seminars, and workshops.
  - Post-graduate academic courses related to dental practice or medical degree programs offered by a regionally accredited program recognized by the United States Department of Education.
  - Academic courses related to the administration of local anesthesia, nitrous oxide analgesia, and expanded function dental assisting.
  - Completion of a dental residency program.
  - Distance learning activities such as online courses or webinars with verification and passage of an exit examination.

- 10 hours CE credit maximum can be claimed in any one activity or any combination of these activities:
  - *Teaching, guest lecturer, guest clinical supervisor*. A licensee may only once claim continuing education credit for preparation and presentation of a course, workshop or seminar on a distinct subject matter. A licensee may only once claim continuing education credit for preparation and presentation as either a guest lecturer or a guest clinical supervisor at a dental practice educational institution or program approved by the Board.
  - *Grand rounds*. A licensee may claim continuing education credit for a formal meeting in hospital settings in which discussion of a clinical case of one or more patients occur.
  - *Writing.* A licensee may claim continuing education credit for writing articles and books for publication, as well as for reviewing and editing articles and books.
  - *Pre-recorded audio/video; independent study*. A licensee may claim continuing education credit only once for a particular audiotape/disk, videotape/disk or course of independent study.
  - *Distance learning without exit examination*. A licensee may claim continuing education credit for distance learning activities such as online courses and webinars in which an exit examination was not taken.
  - *Student table clinic*. A licensee may claim continuing education credit for attending a student table clinic, which is a structured presentation sponsored by an educational institution that uses oral communication and visual media to inform, clarify, and/or review material on a specific topic.
  - *Reading activity*. A licensee may claim continuing education credit for reading an article, a professional journal, a written publication, or a professional publication with verification and passage of an exit examination.
  - *In service training sessions*. A licensee may claim continuing education credit for attending in-service training sessions such as employer sponsored continuing education activities.

Anesthesia / Sedation Permit Renewal Requirements
■ 6 of the 40 credit hours of continuing education must be earned in sedation and/or anesthesia, physical diagnosis, complications, and techniques.
■ Dentist must maintain current certification in: Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers (BLS), Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) or an appropriate dental sedation/anesthesia emergency management course that includes ACLS training

Source
https://www.maine.gov/dental

Maine Regulations 02-313-13: Continuing Education

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