Tennessee

Total Hours 40
Renewal Cycle Two years
Renewal Deadline January 1st of odd year and December 31st of even year based on Licensee registration year
Self Study No minimum / No maximum
Live/In Person No minimum / No maximum
How Monitored CE Broker
CE Entry CE Broker: https://cebroker.com/tn/plans
Renewal Method Online: https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/dentistry-board/dentistry-board/licensure.html

CE Content Required
■ Basic Life Support Healthcare Provider or CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer or Advanced Cardiac Life Support or Pediatric Advanced Life Support (must include hands-on skills component)
■ Prescribing controlled substances, including Tennessee Chronic Pain Guidelines (2 hours minimum)
■ Tennessee Jurisprudence Online Exam
https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/dentistry-board/dentistry-board/licensure.html

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 Assistants' Association and their constituent and component and affiliates
- 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
- Capital City Dental Society
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- 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
- State and Federal government agencies (e.g. dental division, military dental division)
- Tennessee Dental Hygienists Academy of Advanced Study
- Tennessee Department of Health and its affiliated Metropolitan Health Departments, those being the Chattanooga/Hamilton County Health Department, the Davidson County Health Department, the Jackson Madison County Health Department, the Knox County Health Department, the Memphis and Shelby County Health Department, and the Sullivan County Health Department
- Tennessee Emergency Management Agency
- United States Department of Education accredited hospital, college, university, or community college

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

- Educational courses sponsored by an accredited school of dentistry, dental hygiene, or dental assisting. If such course is taken for or assigned quarter or semester credit hours, three semester hours or equivalent quarter hours shall be equivalent to fifteen continuing education hours. No credits will be counted for courses failed.
- 5 CE credits shall be granted for attendance at a state, regional or national dental meeting. A maximum of ten (10) continuing education credits may be earned in this category during the continuing education cycle that precedes the licensure or registration renewal year. These hours are in addition to any continuing education courses attended at any of those meetings.
- Hour-for-hour of continuing education credit will be granted for courses in Advanced (ACLS) or Pediatric (PALS) Cardiac Life Support that are taught in accordance with the "Guidelines" of the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross or sponsored by the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross during the continuing education cycle that precedes the licensure or registration renewal year. The hours necessary to obtain or maintain C.P.R. may be counted as continuing education hours.
- 20 CE credits will be awarded for authorship of publications relevant to the practice of dentistry (e.g., a book, a chapter of a book, or an article or paper published in a professional peer reviewed journal).
- 4 CE credits shall be awarded, during each continuing education cycle that precedes the licensure or registration renewal year, to presenters for each hour of an initial presentation of a formal continuing education course that is a didactic and/or a participatory presentation to review or update knowledge of new or existing concepts and techniques. Hour-for-hour credit will be granted for repeat presentations. This category is limited to a maximum of twenty (20) hours continuing education credit during each continuing education cycle that precedes the licensure or registration renewal year.
- 4 CE credits shall be awarded each time a licensee participates as an examiner for S.R.T.A. One (1) hour of continuing education credit shall be awarded each time a licensee participates as an examiner for the coronal polishing examination.

Anesthesia / Sedation Permit Renewal Requirements
■ Dentists who hold a Limited Conscious Sedation, Comprehensive Conscious Sedation or Deep Sedation/General Anesthesia permit must also complete a minimum of 4 hours of the required 40 biennial hours in the subject of sedation and/or anesthesia.
■ Permit holders must also maintain current ACLS certification (PALS can be substituted if a pediatric dentist) or certify attendance every two (2) years at a board approved course comparable to ACLS or PALS and devoted specifically to the prevention and management of emergencies associated with conscious sedation or deep sedation/general anesthesia.

Source
https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/dentistry-board/dentistry-board/continuing-education.html

https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/dentistry-board/dentistry-board/policies.html

Tennessee Rules 0460-01-.05 CONTINUING EDUCATION AND C.P.R.

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