



Beirut, May 11, 2016

Internal Regulations Continuing Education Commission

- 1. Continuing Education applies to pharmacists with active license living in Lebanon, even if not working. Pharmacists living abroad are exempted until their return, at the condition of presenting the proofs of their presence abroad as of November of each year:
 - a. Copy of a valid residency permit.
 - b. Employment certificate duly signed by the employer (if the pharmacist is an employee) in the current country of employment.
 - c. Official statement of in/out activity issued by the General Directorate of General Security (for non-working pharmacists). A minimum of 7 months per year abroad is required to be exempted.
- 2. The pharmacist should achieve 15 credits per year counted every 3 years. It is not possible to achieve these credits otherwise unless special permission of the commission is granted. The counter will be turned to zero every 3 years.
- 3. A minimum of five live credits is required per year among those organized or accredited by the Order (congress, Pharmacist Day and continuing education conferences). Of these 5 live credits, the pharmacist will have to attend 4 conferences organized by the OPL.
- 4. Newly registered pharmacists will become accountable for CE credits as per the following schedule:
 - a. Registered between January and June of a year: accountable for the current year
 - b. Registered between July and December of a year: accountable for the credits of the following year
- 5. "Time Zero" starts as of January 1, 2014 for all pharmacists registered prior to 30/06/2014. All other pharmacists will be accountable for their credits as per point 4 according to their date of registration.
- 6. Active pharmacists aged 64 and more will have to achieve one credit per year (online or by attending OPL Annual Congress)
- 7. A reminder will be sent to all the pharmacists during the months of March and September. However, the pharmacists are responsible to check their CE balance regularly. A web guide is available on www.opl.org.lb under Continuing Education section to help the pharmacist access his Swank account.
- 8. The speakers will earn double the number of credits granted to their presentation.
- 9. For credits to be earned, the Committee should approve any conference not on the annual schedule.
- 10. Activities organized by pharmaceutical companies and having selective invitees will not be taken into consideration: pharmacists of same group/region should all be invited to attend

- 11. To have their activity accredited, the CE providers will have to submit by mail:
 - a. The filled Accreditation Form available on the website
 - b. Recent mini CV of the speaker(s) (with current position and title)
 - c. The full presentation (free from brand names and logos)
 - d. A copy of the invitation to be sent to the pharmacists (if available)
 - e. The list of invitees
 - f. The list of attendees with their OPL ID (upon completion of each activity)

Universities will send the CV of the speaker and an abstract of the presentation.

- 12. Activities with no in-out control will be granted 2 CE credits per day to the pharmacist who brings an attendance certificate.
- 13. Single-topic multiple-day activities will be granted 2 CE credits per day to the pharmacist who brings an attendance certificate.
- 14. The committee agreed to keep the 2 CE per day for each activity, unless it is targeted to the pharmacists or their specialty area then the number of credits is doubled and becomes 4 CE per day (i.e.: ACPE congress, EAHP...).
- 15. The total number of credits earned in #12, #13 and #14 should not exceed the credits earned showing on the certificate (if it applies) or the event's total awarded credits. In such cases, the credits on the certificate are adopted or the event's awarded credits.
- 16. The CE activities presented by the universities will be granted the exact number of credits deserved. The Committee will not be granting credits to conferences longer than 1.5 hours. The universities will have to revise their programs accordingly.
- 17. Pharmacists enrolled in foreign orders, will be asked to provide proof of credits taken abroad for validation by the Commission, and to ensure taking the five "live" conferences. They will still have to attend 4 conferences during OPL Congress or OPL Pharmacist Day.
- 18. University teaching and post-graduate programs will be counted as follows:
 - a. Full time university teachers will earn 15 credits per year
 - b. Part-time teachers will get 1 credit per 10 contact hours upon presenting an official statement from the university
 - c. PhD: covers 3 years (should present yearly proof of following the program)
 - d. Masters, MBA: covers 1 or 2 years (upon presenting proof of completion)
 - e. DU: covers 1 year (upon presenting proof of completion)
 - f. PharmD: covers 1 year (upon presenting proof of completion)
 - g. Other courses whether online (Coursera, edX...) or live (courses in universities): each 10 contact hours are equivalent to 1 credit. Courses of 150 contact hours and more are equivalent to 15 credits (1 full year).

All pharmacists under this point will have to attend 4 conferences during OPL Annual Congress or OPL Pharmacist Day

- 19. Webinars are counted as live programs.
- 20. Conventional workshops are not accepted. Only ones with proven learning activity will be granted credits.
- 21. Writing articles will entitle first and last authors to 2 credits per article counted for the year of publication.
- 22. As per MOH decision 829/1 of May 12, 2015 (see page 3), the Syndicat des Biologistes du Liban will manage the CE program of medical lab pharmacists (pharmaciens biologistes) registered at the Syndicate. Non registered pharmacists will follow OPL CE rules and regulations.



الجمهورية اللبنانية وزارة الصحة العامة رقم المحفوظات : ككا

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تطبيق نظام التعليم المستمر للمختبرات الطبية في لبنان

إنّ وزير الصحة العامة

بناء على المرسوم رقم 11217 تاريخ 2014/2/15 (تشكيل الحكومة).

بناء على المرسوم الاشتراعي رقم 112 تاريخ 1959/6/12وتعديلاته (نظام الموظفين)

بناء على المرسوم الاشتراعي رقم 75 تاريخ 9/9/1983 (تنظيم المختبرات الطبية)

بناء على القرار رقم 1/2122 تاريخ 2013/12/21 المتعلق بانشاء لجنة لتحمين المختبرات

وبهدف العناية بالتعليم المستمر للاطباء والصيادلة المخبريين ووضع الامس والشروط الضرورية لجعل هذا ألتعليم الزاميا،

بناء على البروتوكول الموقع بين كل من نقيب الاطباء ونقيب الصيادلة ونقيب اصحاب المختبرات الطبية في لبنان لتطبيق برنامج التطوير المهني المستمر في 30/4/9/30 بناء على اقتراح مدير عام وزارة الصحة العامة

يقرر ما يأتي:

المادة الاولى :تعتمد الآلية والامس والشروط المحددة لتطبيق التعليم المستمر الالزامي للطباء والصيادلة المخبريين في لبنان وفقا للبروتوكول الموقع بين كل من نقيب الاطباء ونقيب الصيادلة ونقيب اصحاب المختبرات الطبية في لبنان لتطبيق برنامج التطوير المهنى المستمر في 2014/9/30 ،والذي يعتبر جزءا لا يتجزأ منه

المادة الثانية: تتولى نقابة اصحاب المختبرات الطبية في لبنان تطبيق برنامج التعليم المستمر ونقاط الاعتماد المطلوبة على كافة المختبرات الطبية المرخصة في لبنان.

المادة الثالثة : يبلغ هذا القرار حيث تدعو الحاجة.

يبلغ:

- امانة سر الوزير
- المدير العام لوزارة الصحة العامة
 - نقابة الصيادلة
- نقابتی الاطباء فی بیروت وطرابلس
 - نقابة اصحاب المختبرات الطبية



APPENDIX

Text of the decision taken by the board on January 7, 2016:

نص القرار المتعلق بالتعليم المستمر. جلسة رقم: 1/2016 تاريخ 2016/01/07

سنداً لأحكام المادة 9 من القانون رقم 190 الصادر في 18 تشرين الثاني 2011 وبعد استطلاع رأي لجنة التعليم الصيدلي المستمر، قرر مجلس نقابة صيادلة لبنان التعديلات الاستثنائية التالية على برنامج التعليم المستمر:

- يطلب من جميع الزملاء الالتحاق ببرنامج التعليم المستمر والحصول على نقطة إعتماد واحدة على الأقل قبا . 2016/12/31
- . . مع إنتهاء أول دورة من البرنامج نهاية 2016، لن تصفر حسابات الصيادلة وستكون المحاسبة في 2019/12/31
- في هذا التاريخ، على الصيدلي أن يكون قد أكمل 60 نقطة إعتماد منها 20 على الأقل لفئة المحاضرات الحية
 - تفصيل نقاط الإعتماد حسب تاريخ الإنتساب إلى النقابة:

Registration Date	Total Credits	Online Credits	Live Credits
Beginning - 30/06/2014	60	40	20
01/07/2014 - 30/06/2015	50	33	17
01/07/2015 - 30/06/2016	40	27	13
01/07/2016 - 30/06/2017	30	20	10
01/07/2017 - 30/06/2018	20	13	7
01/07/2018 - 30/06/2019	10	7	3

هذه التعديلات هـي اسـتثنائية ولمـرة واحـدة فقـط علـى أن يعـاود العمـل بالقـانون إبتـداءً مـن
 2020/1/1 كمــا تــنص عليــه المــادة 8: "يجــب علــى الصــيادلة الحصــول علــى عــدد إحمـالي قـدره (45) خمسـة وأربعـين اعتمـاداً خـلال 3 سـنوات بمعـدل (15) خمسـة عشــر اعتماداً فى السنة".

للمساعدة على الالتحاق ببرنامج التعليم المستمر الإتصال بمركز المعلومات لدى نقابة صيادلة لبنان: 611344/01. بريد إلكتروني: dic@opl.org.lb

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