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CALIFORNIA STATE-MANDATED CME CONTENT REQUIREMENTS

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| <p>CME Requirements At-A-Glance</p> | <p>Renewal cycle: Biennial</p> <p>Minimum CMEs: 50 CME credits during each biennial renewal cycle</p> <p>State-mandated CME content</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One Time Requirement: Opioid/Pain Management and Treatment of the Terminally Ill combined - One-time requirement of 12 hours of CME within the first four years of licensure • Patient Population Dependent: 20% of CME in the area of Geriatric Medicine |
| <p>State-Mandated CME Content Detail</p> | <p>One-time requirement of 12 hours of CME on pain management and the appropriate care and treatment of the terminally ill within the first two license renewal cycles (Four years). The 12 CME credit hours may be divided between the two areas in any way that is relevant to the physician's specialty and practice setting. For physicians licensed on or after January 1, 2019, the course shall also include the subject of the risks of addiction associated with the use of Schedule II drugs.</p> <p>Alternatively, a surgeon may complete a one-time continuing education course of 12 credit hours in the subjects of treatment and management of opiate-dependent patients, including eight hours of training on buprenorphine treatment, or other similar medicinal treatment for opioid disorders.</p> <p>California law requires that general internists and family physicians who have a patient population of which over 25 percent are 65 years of age or older, are required to complete at least 20 percent of their mandatory CME in the field of geriatric medicine.</p> |
| <p>Accepted CME</p> | <p>Accepted CME</p> |
| <p>State Statutes and Codes</p> | <p>California Code – Renewal of License California Code - Continuing Medical Education</p> |
| <p>State Medical Board</p> | <p>Medical Board of California - Contact Information</p> |





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