
Quality Assurance Continuing Education (CE) Hours

The Quality Assurance Committee develops and reviews policies related to the new Quality Assurance Program.

1. Registrants are allowed to claim the following activities as non-accredited self-directed continuing education hours:

- Hour-for-hour for non-accredited self-directed learning activities, for example:
 - Live and/or multi-media presentations (seminars/lectures/workshops)
 - Distance learning activities (print/internet/video/television)
 - Scholastic (educational institution based courses)
 - Self-study or organized study groups
 - Emergency medical course (such as CPR and/or first aid)
- 1 non-accredited self-directed hour for 1000 dispensing hours in each year to a maximum of 1 hour per year.
- 1 non-accredited self-directed hour for 500 supervising hours (student/intern opticians) in each year to a maximum of 2 hours per year.
- 1 non-accredited self-directed hour for 500 teaching hours in each year to a maximum of 2 hours per year.
- 1 non-accredited self-directed hour total for participating as a Board member, an appointed committee member, or a professional association board member in each year.
- 1 non-accredited self-directed hour for one volunteer event (includes uncompensated opticianry volunteer missionary work abroad provided supporting documentation is submitted such as a letter of deployment/time abroad from the organization or a certificate of verification) to a maximum of 2 hours (events) in each year.
- 1 non-accredited self-directed hour for examiners or peer assessors in each year per event to a maximum of 2 hours per year.

2. Registrants are allowed to claim the following activities as accredited continuing education hours:

- Hour-for-hour for presenting accredited hours. Registrants may claim accredited hours equal to the accredited hours offered for the presentation. Registrants can only claim accredited hours for the first presentation conducted.
- Hour-for-hour for activities that have been approved as accredited by the QA Committee as published on the College's website.