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CME Requirement Revised

The Continuing Medical Education requirement established by the State Board of Medical Examiners and the Medical Licensure Commission has been revised effective for calendar year 2000 and succeeding years. For 1999 and prior years, physicians were required to obtain not less than twelve (12) hours of Category 1 Continuing Medical Education in each calendar year and to certify completion of the CME requirement as a condition of license renewal.

Under the revised rules, physicians are now required to earn not less than twenty-four (24) hours of Category 1 CME within the preceding twenty-four (24) month period ending December 31st. As an example, physicians who completed the minimum twelve (12) hours of Category 1 CME in 1999 will be required to complete not less than twelve (12) hours of CME in 2000 to satisfy the new requirement. On the other hand, physicians who completed twenty-four (24) or more hours of CME in 1999 would not have to earn additional CME hours in 2000 to meet the new requirement.

These changes will be reflected on the 2001

license renewal applications that physicians will receive in October, 2000.

The Board of Medical Examiners will continue to enforce the CME requirement by random audits conducted at the end of each year. When selected by the Board for audit, physicians will be required to furnish documentation of the completion of not less than twenty-four (24) hours of Category 1 Continuing Medical Education within the preceding twenty-four (24) month period. Physicians receiving their initial license to practice medicine in Alabama are exempt from the minimum CME requirement for the calendar year in which they received their license. The CME requirement for newly licensed physicians for the calendar year following initial receipt of license is fixed at twelve (12) hours of Category 1 CME; thereafter the general rules will apply.

Existing rules pertaining to reinstatement of licenses and retired physicians are not affected by these changes. Physicians having questions about the revised CME requirements should contact the Board at 334-242-4116. ■



Public Action Reports

October 1999 through December 1999

On October 20, 1999, the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners denied the application of Nicholas V. Landry, D.O., Austintown, Ohio, for a certificate of qualification for a license to practice medicine in Alabama. The denial was based on refusal to appear before the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners after having been formally requested to do so in writing by the Executive Director of the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners.

On October 22, 1999, a voluntary restriction was entered against the certificate of qualification and license to practice medicine in Alabama of Dennis L. Olive, M.D., license number 12526, Huntsville, Alabama. Dr. Olive's health status is monitored through the terms of the voluntary restriction.

On November 17, 1999, the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners accepted the voluntary surrender of the Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate and certificate of qualification and license to practice medicine in Alabama of James O. Colley, III, M. D., license number 6101, Troy, Alabama. Dr. Colley surrendered his Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate and certificate of qualification while under investigation by the Board for alleged violations of Ala. Code §34-24-360. Dr. Colley is no longer authorized to practice medicine in the State of Alabama.

On November 17, 1999, the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners accepted the voluntary surrender of the Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate and certificate of qualification and license to practice medicine in Alabama of Frank B. Fondren, III, M. D., license number 10207, Mobile, Alabama. Dr. Fondren surrendered his Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate and certificate of qualification while under investigation by the Board for alleged violations of Ala.

Code §34-24-360. Dr. Fondren is no longer authorized to practice medicine in the State of Alabama.

On December 15, 1999, the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners accepted the voluntary surrender of the Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate and certificate of qualification and license to practice medicine in Alabama of James M. Long, III, M. D., license number 17098, Birmingham, Alabama. Dr. Long surrendered his Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate and certificate of qualification while under investigation by the Board for alleged violations of Ala. Code §34-24-360. Dr. Long is no longer authorized to practice medicine in the State of Alabama.

On December 15, 1999, the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners accepted the voluntary surrender of the Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate and certificate of qualification and license to practice medicine in Alabama of C. Neil Moss, M. D., license number 12097, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Dr. Moss surrendered his Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate and certificate of qualification while under investigation by the Board for alleged violations of Ala. Code §34-24-360. Dr. Moss is no longer authorized to practice medicine in the State of Alabama.

On December 15, 1999, the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners accepted the voluntary surrender of the Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate and certificate of qualification and license to practice medicine in Alabama of Jay Joseph Quilligan, M. D., license number 17004, Athens, Alabama. Dr. Quilligan surrendered his Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate and certificate of qualification while under investigation by the Board for alleged violations of Ala. Code §34-24-360. Dr. Quilligan is no longer authorized to practice medicine in the State of Alabama. ■

2000 CME Calendar

January 15

Mobile AL—*Physician Loss Seminar*
 Contact: Bill Miller (334) 431-5888

January 22-29

Amazon Expedition—*International Health*
 Contact: UABSOM/International Expeditions
 (800) 633-4734
 CME Credit: 12 hours Category 1

January 29

Birmingham AL—*Invitational Scientific Symposium*
 Contact: (334) 263-6441 (800) 239-6272

January 29

Birmingham AL—*Physician Loss Seminar*
 Contact: Ashley Condon (205) 968-3775

February

Andes/Machu-Picchu Expedition—*Perspectives in Medicine*
 Contact: UABSOM/International Expeditions
 (800) 633-4734

February 2-5

Lake Buena Vista FL—*Adolescent Medicine Seminar*
 Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
 Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
 CME Credit: 15 hours Category 1

February 3

Tuscaloosa AL—*Physician Loss Seminar*
 Contact: Donna Wright (205) 343-1113

February 5

Florence AL—*Physician Loss Seminar*
 Contact: Vallery Goodloe (256) 235-5421

February 15

Mobile AL—*Internet Workshop for Physicians*
 Contact: Judy Burnham, USA Biomedical
 Library (334) 460-6888

February 17

Anniston AL—*Physician Loss Seminar*
 Contact: Vera Jordan (256) 235-5224

February 19

Huntsville AL—*Physician Loss Seminar*
 Contact: Sue Veal (256) 830-2222

February 24 & 25

Florence, AL—*Elevating the Science of Breast-feeding: A Conf. for Healthcare Providers*
 Contact: Karen Landers, MD (256) 383-1231
 CME Credit: 7.5 hours Category 1

February 24 & 25

Birmingham—*AQAF Annual Meeting - Quest for Quality*
 Contact: Bill Hawkins 1-800-760-4550
 CME Credit: 14 hours Category 1

March 7-10

Huntsville AL—*16th National Symposium on Child Sexual Abuse*
 Contact: UAB-Huntsville CME Office (256) 551-4490

March 9

Gadsden AL—*Physician Loss Seminar*
 Contact: Carol Crane (256) 547-3124

March 11

Montgomery AL—*Physician Loss Seminar*
 Contact: Mary Anne Pate (334) 293-8809

March 12-15

Lake Buena Vista FL—*Internal Medicine Seminar*
 Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
 Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
 CME Credit: 15 hours Category 1

March 15-18

Lake Buena Vista FL—*Family Practice Seminar*
 Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
 Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
 CME Credit: 15 hours Category 1

March 15-18

Lake Buena Vista FL—*Pediatrics Seminar*
 Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
 Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
 CME Credit: 15 hours Category 1

April 5-9

Hilton Head Island SC—*General Surgery Update*
 Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
 Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
 CME Credit: 19 hours Category 1

April 7-8

Huntsville AL—*18th Annual Review of Modern Therapeutics*
 Contact: UAB-Huntsville CME Office (256) 551-4490
 CME Credit: 15 hours Category 1

April 19-22

Hilton Head Island SC—*Pediatrics Update*
 Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
 Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
 CME Credit: 19 hours Category 1

April 26-28

Auburn AL—*ALPHA Convention - Think Locally, Plan Globally*
 Contact: Ruth Underwood (334) 947-6206
 CME Credit: 11 hours Category 1

April 27-28

Tuscaloosa AL—*Alabama Rural Health Conference*
 Contact: Kay Fendley (205) 348-1344

May 6

Birmingham AL—*Physician Loss Seminar*
 Contact: Ashley Condon (205) 968-3775

May 18

Birmingham AL—*Practical Day of Pediatrics 2000*
 Contact: Mardi Trimble (205) 939-9898

June 1-4

Orange Beach AL—*AL Chapter ACP-ASIM Annual Meeting*
 Contact: Teri Dingler (334) 263-6441 (800) 239-6272

June 13-17

Hilton Head Island SC—*Adult Infectious Disease Seminar*
 Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
 Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
 CME Credit: 19 hours Category 1

June 11-15

Destin FL—*2000 Alabama Academy of Family Physicians Annual Meeting*
 Contact: Holley Midgley (334) 263-6441
 (800) 239-6272

June 15

Destin FL—*Physician Loss Seminar*
 Contact: MASA and Family Practice (850) 267-9500

June 15-18

Destin FL—*MASA Annual Session*
 Contact: (334) 263-6441 (800) 239-6272

June 20-24

Hilton Head Island SC—*Pediatric Infectious Disease Update*
 Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
 Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
 CME Credit: 19 hours Category 1

June 26-28

Destin FL—*AL Chapter Am. College of Emergency Physicians—17th Annual Meeting & Educational Conference*
 Contact: David Garvey, PhD, MD, FACEP
 (334) 265-0068 or J. Leland Holman (334) 265-0068
 CME Credit: 12-15 hours Category 1

June 27-July 1

Hilton Head Island SC—*Family Practice Seminar*
 Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
 Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
 CME Credit: 19 hours Category 1

July 4-8

Hilton Head Island SC—*Anesthesiology Update*
 Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
 Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
 CME Credit: 19 hours Category 1

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July 6-10

Hilton Head Island SC--*General Surgery Update*
Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
CME Credit: 19 hours Category 1

July 11-15

Hilton Head Island SC--*Internal Medicine Update*
Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
CME Credit: 19 hours Category 1

July 29-30

Guntersville State Park--*CME Regional Program - The Aging American*
Contact: (334) 263-6441 (800) 239-6272

August 5-6

Gulf Shores State Park--*CME Regional Program - The Aging American*
Contact: (334) 263-6441 (800) 239-6272

August 17

Decatur, AL--*Physician Loss Seminar*
Contact: Stacy Braudaway (256) 341-2126

October 12

Birmingham AL--*Physician Loss Seminar*
Contact: Ashley Condon (205) 968-3775

October 15-18

Lake Buena Vista FL--*Current Clinical Internal Medicine Seminar*
Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
CME Credit: 15 hours Category 1

October 18-21

Lake Buena Vista FL--*Pediatric Infectious Disease Seminar*
Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
CME Credit: 15 hours Category 1

October 26-29

White Sulphur Spings WV--*Internal Medicine Seminar*
Contact: George M. Converse, MD Lloyd
Noland Foundation 205-783-8181
CME Credit: 15 hours Category 1

NCME Videocassettes

#759 *Recognizing and Treating Anxiety: Clinical Observations, Practical Advice* (60 minutes)

When does anxiety cross the line from being part of everyday living to a disorder that requires intervention? What are the clinical features that distinguish generalized anxiety from disorders such as panic attack? Case examples are used in this candid live presentation to describe diagnostic clues and treatment options.

#760 *Expert Perspectives on Contemporary Clinical Issues in Hepatitis C - Part One* (60 minutes)

The potentially serious consequences of chronic hepatitis C and the need for treatment are more widely recognized by physicians than ever before. Learn about the dramatic progress that has been made over the past year in managing hepatitis C - including new evidence about the natural history of the disease that may help identify more asymptomatic patients with chronic hepatitis C virus (HCV). A challenging case study illustrates how previously untreated patients with HCV infection are most likely to achieve sustained virologic, histologic, and biochemical benefit when treated with interferon/ribavirin combination therapy compared with interferon alone.

#761 *Expert Perspectives on Contemporary Clinical Issues in Hepatitis C - Part Two* (60 minutes)

Important lessons regarding relapse and its prevention and treatment were learned from managing chronic HCV infections with monotherapy. It now appears that some of these lessons may be applicable with combination therapy. Learn about state-of-the-art management strategies for relapsers and nonresponders. Also examined is the important role of the primary care physician in managing hepatitis C.

The newly released videocassettes listed above are approved for CME credit and are available for check out. Please call the MASA Education Department (334) 263-6441 or 1-800-239-6272. ■

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