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MEMORANDUM

TO: EMT-A Selected for Random Audit

FROM: HAWAII MEDICAL BOARD

SUBJECT: 2024 EMT-A Certification Renewal/Continuing Education ("CE") Audit

CERTIFICATION RENEWAL

The Hawaii Medical Board ("Board") would like to advise you that EMT-A certification expire on 01/31/24, unless renewed. In order to renew, EMT-A must meet the CE requirement as described on the subsequent pages of this memorandum.

RANDOM AUDIT

By law, the Board may conduct a random audit to determine whether the CE requirement has been met. Through a computer-generated program, you have been randomly selected for participation in the Board's audit. To this end, you are being asked to provide CE documentation when you renew your certificate.

RENEWAL NOTICE

In November 2023, you will receive a notice of renewal. Because you are being audited and required to submit documentation of CE with your renewal application, <u>you will not be able to</u> renew online. Please disregard that information. <u>Instead, please follow the instructions below.</u>

TO RENEW

- Submit your completed renewal application (enclosed);
 Renewal fee; and
 - CE documentation (as described below) to the Hawaii Medical Board, P.O. Box 3469, Honolulu, HI 96801.

DO NOT SUBMIT THE ITEMS SEPARATELY AS IT WILL CAUSE A DELAY IN YOUR RENEWAL.

RENEWAL DEADLINE

The deadline to renew is <u>01/31/24</u>. However, to ensure that your certificate is renewed on/before that date, we strongly encourage you to submit the information as early as possible due to the anticipated volume of renewals. Effective April 18, 2019, you must retrieve and print your pocket ID card and wall certificate via your MyPVL account. No other notice will be provided. To create a MyPVL account, please go to: <u>https://mypvl.dcca.hawaii.gov/</u>.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter. If you have any questions regarding this memo, please call the Board's office at (808) 586-2699, between the hours of 7:45 a.m. - 4:30 pm. Hawaiian Standard Time.

CE REQUIREMENT FOR EMT-AS

The CE requirement may be met by having a **current certificate** from the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) in your respective class. Please submit a copy of your current NREMT certificate or NREMT certification verification.

If you do **not have a current NREMT certificate** prior to October 15, 2016, you will need to meet the NREMT CE requirements. The NREMT requires that 50 hours of CE be obtained in the following three components. (1) a national component; (2) a local/state component; and (3) an individual component.

The 50 hours of CE may be met in the following:

1. **NATIONAL COMPONENT:** The National Component requires EMT-As to complete 25 hours of approved continuing education. A maximum of *8 hours* of distributive education may be used to meet the 25-hour requirement.

Airway/Respiration/Ventilation: 2.5 Hours

Ventilation Oxygenation

Cardiovascular: 7 Hours

Post-Resuscitation Care Ventricular Assist Devices Stroke Cardiac Arrest Pediatric Cardiac Arrest Acute Coronary Syndrome

Trauma: 3 Hours

Trauma Triage Central Nervous System (CNS) Injury Hemorrhage Control Fluid Resuscitation

Medical: 7.5 Hours

Special Healthcare Needs OB Emergencies Infectious Diseases Medication Delivery Pain Management Psychiatric and Behavioral Emergencies Toxicological Emergencies - Opioids Neurological Emergencies - Seizures Endocrine Emergencies - Diabetes Immunological Emergencies

Operations: 5 Hours

At-Risk Populations Ambulance Safety Field Triage-Disasters/MCIs EMS Provider Hygiene, Safety, and Vaccinations EMS Culture of Safety Pediatric Transport Crew Resource Management EMS Research Evidence Based Guidelines

2. LOCAL OR STATE COMPONENT: The Local or State Component requires EMT-As to complete 12.5 hours of approved CE. If specific local and/or state are not specified, these required hours are considered flexible content but must be directly related to EMS patient care.

3. **INDIVIDUAL COMPONENT:** The Individual Component requires EMT-As to complete 12.5 hours of approved CE. The individual hours are considered flexible content but must be directly related to EMS patient care.

Education can be gathered through Distributive Education (online) or in person courses. As of 2022, there are no limits on how much Distributive Education (DE) you can use on your application.

DOCUMENTATION OF CE

Documentation is to consist of:

- 1. A letter;
- 2. Copy of transcripts;
- 3. Computer printout; or
- 4. Copy of certificates

from the CE provider which includes your name and the dates, title, and number of hours of the CE. If the employers offered the CE, we will accept documentation from them.

UNACCEPTABLE COURSES

Courses that **cannot be applied towards recertification requirements include** duplicate courses, clinical rotations, instructor courses, management/leadership courses, performance of duty, preceptor hours, serving as a skill examiner, and volunteer time with agencies.

IMPORTANT TERMINOLOGY OR WEBSITES

Distributive Education: is a method of delivering EMS education where the educator and student are not able to interact in real time. Examples include: online courses, journal article reviews, and videos.

CACPE: <u>http://www.capce.org/</u>

NREMT: https://www.nremt.org/rwd/public/document/recertification

Very truly yours,

/s/ Ahlani K. Quiogue

Executive Officer