



**To: Board Members**

## **Agenda Item V. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Awarding Continuing Education Credit for Certain Elective Board-Provided Courses**

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### **Relevant Law**

Business and Professions Code (BPC) [sections 4231-4234](#) generally address continuing education (CE) requirements for pharmacists. The Board's CE regulations ([16 CCR §§ 1732-1732.8](#)) provide further detail on the requirements. Section 1732 of the regulations defines a "provider" to mean a person who has been accredited by an approved accreditation agency or accredited by the Board to provide a specific CE course. As such, the regulations contemplate that the Board itself can be a provider of CE.

### **Background**

For several years, the Board has developed and delivered elective training courses and has on occasion determined it to be appropriate to award CE credit for completion of such Board-provided courses. Examples include:

- Six hours of CE to pharmacists who complete the Board's day-long training on prescription drug abuse prevention.
- One hour of CE to pharmacists who complete the Board-provided Pharmacist-in-Charge Overview and Responsibility training course.

The Board administers these courses through its PharmEd learning management system, which manages registration and delivery of such courses, and provides proof of completion.

### **For Board Consideration and Action**

As the Board continues to develop courses to assist licensees in understanding specific statutory and regulatory requirements, it is appropriate to consider if CE should be awarded for completion of the following elective courses:

1. Assembly Bill 1503: Removing Barriers and Improving Patient Safety.

This training provides an overview of the statutory changes enacted by the Board's sunset measure, Assembly Bill 1503 (Berman, Chapter 196, Statutes of 2025), and describes the Board's implementation efforts. The course is expected to take approximately 50 minutes to complete. The training was developed by staff and has been reviewed by Board counsel and President Oh.

Recommendation: Award one (1) hour of CE for course completion.

2. Board Compounding Regulations: Nonsterile Compounding Requirements.

This training provides a comprehensive overview of the Board's nonsterile compounding regulatory requirements and is designed to take approximately 50 minutes to complete. The course was developed by staff and is currently undergoing internal review. It is recommended that the Board designate one member to review the training prior to its finalization and publication

Recommendation: Award one (1) hour of CE for course completion.

3. Board Compounding Regulations: Sterile Compounding Requirements.

This training provides a comprehensive overview of the Board's sterile compounding regulatory requirements and is designed to take approximately 90 minutes to complete. The course was developed by staff and is currently undergoing internal review. It is recommended that the Board designate one member to review the training prior to its finalization and publication

Recommendation: Award 1.5 hours of CE for course completion.

Should the Board agree with the above recommendations, the following motion could be used.

*Possible Motion:* Approve the following elective Board-provided trainings for continuing education (CE) credit:

- Assembly Bill 1503: Removing Barriers and Improving Patient Safety, for one (1) hour of CE
- Board Compounding Regulations: Nonsterile Compounding Requirements, for one (1) hour of CE
- Board Compounding Regulations: Sterile Compounding Requirements, for 1.5 hours of CE
- Further designate [insert member] to review the nonsterile and sterile compounding trainings prior to finalization and publication.