

SECTION .0800 – CONTINUING COMPETENCE ACTIVITY

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As used in this Section:

- (1) "AOTA Approved Provider Program" means a voluntary process of review and approval of continuing education (CE) providers by the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) based on criteria and guidelines that assess a provider's ability to develop and implement CE activities that are relevant to the practice of occupational therapy.
- (2) "Contact Hour" means a unit of measure for a continuing education activity. One contact hour equals 60 minutes in a learning activity, excluding meals and breaks.
- (3) "Continuing Competence" means a process in which an occupational therapist or an occupational therapy assistant develops and maintains the knowledge, performance skills, interpersonal abilities, critical reasoning skills, and ethical practice reasoning skills necessary to perform his or her occupational therapy professional responsibilities.
- (4) "Continuing Education" means structured educational experiences beyond academic degree work that are intended to provide knowledge in a particular area.
- (5) "Continuing Education Credit" means credit given for a formalized activity in the form of contact hours or continuing education units.
- (6) "Continuing Education Unit (CEU)" means a unit of measure for continuing education. One CEU is defined as 10 contact hours of participation in a learning activity excluding meals and breaks.
- (7) "Peer Reviewed" means any written work that is blind reviewed by more than one person.
- (8) "Points" means an assigned unit of measure for each continuing competence activity as set forth in Rule .0805 of this Section.

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