



CME Focus

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Getting Ready for Closing 2016-17

Happy spring!

The new academic year will soon be upon us, 2016-17 documentation is due July 15, 2017! The online application system has been a success and I thank each and every one of you for making it work.

Do take advantage of the online transcript request.

New application for 2017-19 academic years can be added June 1st.

Accreditation Council for CME Announces New Commendation Criteria

The Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME®) is pleased to announce the Menu of New Criteria for Accreditation with Commendation. The new criteria incorporate recommendations from a diverse range of stakeholders about how to advance the role of continuing medical education (CME) in the changing health environment and leverage the power of education to improve healthcare. There are 16 commendation criteria, divided into five categories:

- Promotes Team-based Education (see pg.2)
- Addresses Public Health Priorities
- Enhances Skills
- Demonstrates Educational Leadership
- Achieves Outcomes

It means there changes in the CME application process and new requirements. As the ACCME rolls it out, the OCME will keep you abreast of changes implemented. Here is what's new in the CME Application for 2017-18 academic year.

1. The order of some of the questions has been moved.
2. Questions emphasis are on the healthcare team not just physicians

Attendance**new*



In order to efficiently process transcripts and certificates, an electronic spreadsheet with all participants' name is now required.

With the new database system, all transcripts and certificates are electronic therefore we need to upload names and e-mails of all participants to CME educational activities in addition to the signature sheets.

A sample spreadsheet with required information is available on the OCME web site.

A CME Resource tab has been added to the Application Web site to assist you.

3. We want to know which healthcare team members that are part of the target audience.
4. And which inter-disciplinary team member was involved in the planning process

The emphasis is also on outcome therefore some changes to the evaluation form have been made. The Office of CME at Downstate received Commendation in 2015, 2nd time in a row. We are aiming for another one.

Interprofessional Continuing Education - (IPCE)

“IPCE is of the team, by the team, for the team. IPCE does not just mean bringing multiple professions together for an activity. It means educating the professions together as a team, so that learners understand their roles and goals related to patient care.” As per the Report from the 2016 Joint Accreditation Leadership Summit

The Office of CME at Downstate is promoting the use of IPCE in your planning process of educational activities so that in the future the Office of CME (OCME) can provide credits for all other disciplines. Jointly providing credits from the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME®), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC).

The OCME believe that in working together we can help promote team-based continuing education which leads to improve healthcare delivery to our patients. During the planning of your CME activities keep in mind the rest of the team; involve them in the planning process, as moderators and/or presenters. And don't forget the patients! After all it's all about patient care.

We offer CME credits for [PI or QI](#) activities as well as MOC Credits.

Transcript Download Instructions

Downstate Office of CME now offers on demand transcript download. Note only activities for which credit was designated as approved and paid for are available for download in the system.

Instructions: Access the CME [Transcript login page](#). Enter the email address used to register for an activity. Enter the password set up when you registered, or follow the

“forgot password” prompts to reset.

If you have never registered or signed into the CME system, select “Don't have a profile? [Click here to create a profile!](#) Forgot your Password? [Get it now!](#)” to set up a password. Password reset or new password instructions are sent from email address

“ai-evolution@attendeeinteractive.com” or ocme@downstate.edu. Check the spam/junk folder if

the message is not in your inbox.



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