

Continuing Professional Development (CPD) for health professionals in Ethiopia

Now required to get re-licensure!

The Ethiopian Food, Medicine, Health Care Administration and Control Authority (EFMHACA), the legally mandated agency to license and re-license federally regulated health professionals, has prepared a guideline in order to set up a CPD system in the country whereby CPD is standardized, accredited and tied to re-licensure of health professionals.

Download the complete CPD guideline from:

www.fmhaca.gov.et

OR

[http://www.fmhaca.gov.et/documents/CPD Accreditation Guide Final March 20131.pdf](http://www.fmhaca.gov.et/documents/CPD%20Accreditation%20Guide%20Final%20March%2020131.pdf)

What you need to know about CPD

1. Feature

CPD denotes the period of education and training of health professionals commencing after completion of basic or post graduate health professional training.

2. Unit of measurement

Continuing Education Unit (CEU) is a unit which indicates the value attached to a learning activity for CPD

3. Required to get re-licensure

at least **30 CEU** per year
and **150 CEU** per five years

4. Modalities

⇒ courses, lectures, seminars, conferences, research project and study visits delivered through print material, enduring material (non-live CPD activity - videotape, monograph, or CD ROM), distance learning using technology such as audio-conference, videoconference and internet webcast

5. Accreditors

⇒ are institutions appointed by EFMHACA; professional associations, tertiary institutions involved in health sciences education, and other training institutions.

6. Accredited CPD Courses

⇒ pre-accredited by accreditors and approved and assigned accreditation number by EFMHACA

7. CPD Activities and their respective allocated CEU;

CPD Activity	Credit (CEU)
In-service training (group based)	1 CEU per 1 contact hour
Workshop	0.5 CEU per 1 hour of attendance
e-learning (enduring materials, on-line etc)	1 CEU per 1 hour of engagement
Scientific Conference	0.25 CEU per 1 hour of attendance
Review a research article for journal	3 CEU per article reviewed
Publish a research article in a peer reviewed journal:	
⇒ Principal author	20 CEU per article
⇒ Co-author	10 CEU per article
Chapters in a book/training module in area of specialization:	
⇒ 1st (or single) author	10 CEU per chapter or module
⇒ 2nd author (and beyond)	5 CEU per chapter or module
Writing a book in area of specialization	All the required CEUs per annum
Presentations in conference:	
⇒ Oral presentation	10 CEU per presentation
⇒ Poster presentation	5 CEU per presentation
Delivering training/workshop	2 CEU per 1 hour session
Guest lecture (applies to non-routine tasks)	2 CEU per 1 hour session
Panelist	1 CEU per 1hr of engagement
Assessing masters or doctoral thesis	5 CEU Per Thesis

Note: A maximum of 6 hours shall be considered for a day CPD Activity

8. EMA CPD Program

⇒ Live CPD training/workshop
⇒ Online CPD courses - www.emacpd.org
⇒ CPD activity in the Ethiopian Medical Journal-
www.emaemj.org



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Ethiopian Medical Association Online CPD Management System & Resource Center

www.emacpd.org

Ethiopian Medical Association (EMA) has established an online system which enables health professional to manage their CPD activities with the goal of contributing to the quality of health care by increasing access to CPD and joint learning among partner health professional associations.

Why use the EMA-CPD Management System

- ⇒ provides medical practitioners with a centralized service for all CPD related information
- ⇒ enables medical practitioners to manage and plan their professional development
- ⇒ enables medical practitioners to access online CPD activities accredited by EFMHACA
- ⇒ medical practitioners are enabled to report offline CPD activities
- ⇒ medical practitioners can get complete report of their offline and online CPD activities

How to use the EMA-CPD Management System

- ⇒ Visit the EMA-CPD Management System: www.emacpd.org
- ⇒ Go to "Online Learning and CPD Reporting" section and **Login** or **register** if it is your first visit to the website
- ⇒ Register for a course, complete course activity, report online

Note

- ◆ **Online CPD activity** refers to the activities performed on EMA-CPD management system
- ◆ **Offline CPD activity** refers to other CPD activities attended outside of the EMA-CPD system, both offline and online

Ethiopian Medical Journal

The official quarterly publication of the EMA

Now Online serving as a center for CPD activities!

Earn **Continuous Education Units (CEUs)** by:

- ◆ *authoring a manuscript for the EMJ*
- ◆ *co-authoring a manuscript for the EMJ*
- ◆ *reviewing a manuscript for the EMJ*
- ◆ *reading a journal article from the EMJ*

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