

4723-27-06 Continuing Education Requirements

- (A) During each certification period, a certified medication aide shall obtain fifteen approved contact hours of continuing education that includes the following:
 - (1) One hour of continuing education shall be directly related to Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code and the rules adopted thereunder;
 - (2) One hour of continuing education shall be directly related to establishing and maintaining professional boundaries; and
 - (3) Ten hours of continuing education shall be related to medications or medication administration consistent with the function of the certified medication aide.
- (B) Holders of interim certificates issued in accordance with paragraph (B) of rule 4723-27-04 who apply for a certificate under paragraph (C) of 4723-27-04 shall obtain eight approved contact hours of continuing education consistent with the function of the certified medication aide.
- (C) When a certificate to function as a certified medication aide has been made inactive or has been allowed to lapse for two years or less, the applicant for reactivation or reinstatement of the certificate shall complete fifteen contact hours of continuing education as described in (A) of this rule within the twenty-four months immediately preceding the reactivation or reinstatement.
- (D) When a certificate to function as a certified medication aide has been made inactive or has been allowed to lapse for greater than two years the applicant must complete a training program as set forth in rule 4723-27-07.
- (E) A certified medication aide shall verify completion of the continuing education required by this rule on the application for certificate renewal provided by the board, and at the discretion of the board, may be required to show proof of completion of the approved continuing education. Failure to so verify or provide such proof shall result in ineligibility to renew, reactivate, or reinstate a certificate to function as a certified medication aide until the continuing education requirements are met.
- (F) A certified medication aide who earns in excess of the number of contact hours of continuing education for a single certification period shall not apply the excess hours to satisfy future continuing education requirements.
- (G) A certified medication aide who is ineligible to renew, reactivate, or reinstate a certificate to function as a certified medication aide due to failure to meet the continuing education requirements, may be required to show completion of up to

thirty contact hours of continuing education that meets the requirement of this rule, before being issued a current certificate by the board. The continuing education shall be obtained within the twenty-four months immediately preceding the renewal, reactivation, or reinstatement of the certificate.

- (H) The calculation of contact hours based on credit hours earned in an academic institution shall be made in accordance with paragraph (B) of rule 4723-14-04 of the Administrative Code.
- (I) Educational activities that satisfy the requirements of this rule are the same as set forth in rule 4723-14-05 of the Administrative Code.
- (J) The board may conduct a retrospective audit of any holder of a certificate to function as a certified medication aide to determine compliance with this rule. The audit shall be conducted in accordance with rule 4723-14-07 of the Administrative Code. A certified medication aide shall retain proof of completion of approved continuing education for a period of six years.