

Alabama Board of Examiners in Counseling

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ACCEPTABLE CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR LICENSURE RENEWAL

- 1. Acceptable professional development activities for continuing education must reflect provider documentation from one of the following:
 - a. the National Board for Certified Counselors, Inc. (NBCC)
 - b. the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC)
 - c. an approved organization or institution as listed in #2 of this document and <u>must be training in the professional field of counseling</u> as required by ABEC Administrative Rule 255-X-2-.18.
- 2. In addition to professional development activities with provider documentation from NBCC or CRCC, activities provided and sponsored by (who authorized and/or signed the certificates of completion/verification of attendance) the following organizations or institutions are also acceptable continuing education events:
 - National Association of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Counselors
 - o American School Counselor Association
 - o State of Alabama Department of Mental Health
- 3. The Board does not accept continuing education events that are not approved by NBCC or CRCC, or **provided and sponsored** by one of the organizations or institutions listed above.
- 4. Licenses seeking renewal for licensure are responsible for securing documentation to verify the event is/was approved by NBCC or CRCC, or provided and sponsored by (who authorized and/or signed the certificates of completion/verification of attendance) one of the organizations or institutions listed above.
- 5. All certificates of completion/verification of attendance must contain: licensee's name, name of workshop/seminar/training, name of providing/sponsoring entity (with provider numbers), dates of the activity, and number of contact hours granted.



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- 6. The ABEC Administrative Code requirement for continuing education in ethics specifies such activities **must** be "devoted to ethical concerns for practice, assessment, supervision, or research **in counseling**." This policy does not alter the continuing education requirement for ethics in counseling.
 - a. Ethics continuing education hours should be clearly identified as such.
 - b. Continuing education activities concerning ethics for disciplines other than counseling are not acceptable for this requirement.