



CNLP Committee

NEWS BULLETIN

May 8, 2017

Many of you may have read in some of our previous communications, that the CNLP Committee has entered into a strategic plan to enhance our certification program with a goal to achieve national accreditation. As part of this process, one of our first objectives is to compare our current certification program to other state's programs. One of the highlighted items in other programs is their continuing education requirements. Of some ten North Eastern states under review, we find that our program requires the highest number of CEUs to achieve recertification. Most states like New York, Massachusetts and the New England states require 24 CEUs over two years versus our 32 CEUs.

As a result of our research findings, the CNLP Committee is moving to change our 32 CEU requirement to 24 CEUs over two years for recertification. This change will be effective immediately. With this move, the following will take place:

If a CNLP has accrued between 24-32 CEUs for the 2015–2017 CEU cycle by June 30th, 2017, the first 6 of each category accrued will satisfy the required CEU's and up to 2 CEU's in each category will be rolled over into the 2017-2019 CEU cycle.

This is a onetime offer. If you do not have 24 CEUs by June 30, 2017, you will be eligible for a 60-day extension if you meet the following criteria:

- You must have at least 12 CEUs accrued by June 30, 2017, and you must indicate your intentions to accrue the remaining required CEUs in writing via e-mail to the NJNLA Office no-later than June 23, 2017.

If a CNLP does not meet the criteria to accrue 24 CEUs by June 30, 2017, and no extension is filed on record with the NJNLA Office, the CNLP will not receive recertification. In order to become a CNLP again, the individual must fill out a CNLP application and re-take the CNLP examination. **The next CNLP Examination is scheduled to be offered on Tuesday, September 26, 2017.**

Enclosed is copy of your CEU transcript and a breakdown of how many credits you have in each of the 4 categories. Take a look at your transcript and if there are any missing opportunities please submit them immediately so that you can receive the appropriate credits. Below are some ideas of opportunities you may have already completed since July 1st, 2015 but were not aware could earn you CNLP CEU's. Also opportunities to be on the lookout for:

Renewed or obtained any licenses, certifications, recertification, degrees, etc.

Industry Participation

Teach a Course

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Create Instructional Material
Complete an Exam
Attend Workshops
Give or receive special training
Attend a Trade Show
Attend a Webinar
Attend a Conference
Attend a Training Course
Complete a College Course
Read a book
Write a piece for publication
2017 NJNLA Summer Plant Symposium

Please be assured that NJNLA and the CNLP Committee are committed to working with each CNLP to help them reach their required credits. If you need assistance with locating opportunities to secure your needed credits please call 609-291-7070 or send an email to njnla.office@gmail.com.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this information or if I can be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me at 609-291-7070.