

Important Child Abuse and Opioid Requirements for License Renewal



Child Abuse Approved Course Listing: <https://tinyurl.com/yd7cplmn>

The Association does not endorse a specific course. As the December 31, 2018, deadline approaches to renew your license to practice podiatry in the state of Pennsylvania, there are two very important requirements that you need to be aware of. Below is an explanation of each requirement and resources available to assist you with obtaining the needed continuing education.

For the official document from the State Board of Podiatry outlining Child Abuse Recognition and Reporting Requirements, visit <https://tinyurl.com/y8e3ngdm>. **Per Act 31 of 2014, two (2) hours of Board-approved continuing education in child abuse recognition and reporting requirements must be completed prior to renewal or reinstatement of a license.** The Announcements page (go to <https://tinyurl.com/yb-govksy>) of the Board of Podiatry's website contains all of the information detailing Act 31, including Frequently Asked Questions (go to <https://tinyurl.com/yb-govksy>) and an Exemption Form (go to <https://tinyurl.com/yaovshd8>). With some exceptions, notably newer practitioners, the vast majority of podiatrists in the state of PA renewing their licenses by December 31, 2018, are required to have at least 2 hours of Child Abuse Recognition and Reporting training.

Opioid Education/Complimentary Program through PA Medical Society: <https://tinyurl.com/ybs45e4p>

Two (2) Credits Needed If Currently Licensed Podiatrist; Four (4) Credits Needed for New Applicants.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS: To access the content, use the corresponding assessment labeled "access for non-physicians" for each session in the series you complete. You will be required to enter an email address, your first and last name, and your PA license number before beginning each assessment. At the end of each assessment, assuming a score of 70% or higher is achieved, participants have the opportunity to print a certificate of completion or to receive a certificate via email.

For general questions about license renewal, such as how many CE Contact Hours are required, how many can be earned online, what types of credits count, etc., visit the Continuing Education page (go to <https://tinyurl.com/y7leh86q>). To read the regulations, go to <https://tinyurl.com/y92nm4ep>.