Resolution: 306
(I-22)

Introduced by: New York

Subject: Increased Credit for Continuing Medical Education Preparation

Referred to: Reference Committee C

Whereas, Our American Medical Association offers a maximum of only two hours of Category 2 credit for the preparation and presentation of a one-hour continuing medical education (CME) program for physicians; and

Whereas, A physician may need many more hours — often as many as 50 — to create a one-hour CME program of acceptable quality and utility for his or her peers; and

Whereas, The small number (just two hours) of Category 2 credits dissuades many physicians from taking on the task of preparing and presenting CME programs; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association collaborate with the Accreditation Council on Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), to allow physicians to claim an amount of Category 1 CME credits that more accurately reflects the hours they spend on preparing and presenting CME programs to a maximum of four (4) Category 1 CME hours. (Directive to Take Action)

Fiscal Note: Not yet determined

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RELEVANT AMA POLICY

Support for Development of Continuing Education Programs for Primary Care Physicians in Non-Academic Settings H-295.926
The AMA: (1) supports development, where appropriate, of programs of education for medical students and faculty in non-academic settings, making use of telecommunications as needed; (2) encourages that medical schools provide faculty development programs that are designated for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™; and (3) encourages that teaching continue to be accepted for AMA PRA Category 2 Credit™ when not designated for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™.

Unification of Education Credits H-300.976
It is the policy of the AMA to develop, in cooperation with national specialty organizations and state medical associations, uniform nationwide standards for continuing medical education credits recognized by all medical associations and specialty societies.
Citation: Res. 102, I-90; Reaffirmed: Sunset Report, I-00; Reaffirmed: CME Rep. 2, A-10; Reaffirmed: CME Rep. 01, A-20;