Continuing Medical Education

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Summary of Public Comment and Agency Response:
The official comment period ended July 19, 2019. No comments were received.

Federal Standards Statement

A Federal standards analysis is not required because there are no Federal laws or standards applicable to the adopted amendment.

Full text of the adoption follows (additions to proposal indicated in boldface with asterisks *thus*; deletions from proposal indicated in brackets with asterisks *[thus]*):

(Agency Note: The text of N.J.A.C. 13:35-6.15 below reflects the adoption of amendments effective June 3, 2019.)

SUBCHAPTER 6. GENERAL RULES OF PRACTICE

13:35-6.15 Continuing medical education

(a)-(l) (No change.)

*(l)* *(m)* A licensee may obtain up to 10 continuing medical education credits per biennial period by providing medical care outside of his or her medical office, without charge, to low-income patients for health care services for which patients are not covered by any public or private third-party payer. A licensee will obtain one continuing medical education credit for every two hours spent providing such volunteer medical services and shall document completion of such hours pursuant to *(h)* *(i)*2 above.

*(n)* Continuing medical education credits obtained pursuant to *(l)* *(m)* above shall not count towards the 40 credits required in Category I pursuant to (b) *and (c)* above.

*(n)* *(o)* The Board may deny a licensee an opportunity to obtain any or all continuing medical education credits pursuant to *(l)* *(m)* above if the Board determines that:

1. The licensee must complete all continuing medical education credits in order to maintain or restore professional competence; or

2. The licensee must complete continuing medical education credits in order to address developments in science or technology.