COVID-19 Response: Distance Learning

The Continuing Legal Education Board continues to monitor pandemic recovery and administer policy regarding the rules and regulations for continuing legal education.

Policy regarding distance-learning accommodations is applied by compliance period as detailed below. Continuing legal education requirements for compliance periods ending in 2021 may be completed with credits earned through live online or pre-recorded online programs. Compliance periods ending in 2022 and 2023 are subject to a cap on pre-recorded distance learning programs. Please review information on your specific compliance group below:

Compliance Group 1 - Annual Deadline April 30

2021 Compliance Period: 5/1/20 - 4/30/21

- Twelve (12) hour requirement may be completed with credits earned through live-online or pre-recorded online courses
- Distance learning credits earned during this period may carry forward (up to two compliance periods)

2022 Compliance Period: 5/1/21 - 4/30/22 *and* 2023 Compliance Period: 5/1/22 - 4/30/23

- Six (6) credits must be live-online or in-person/classroom
- Up to (6) credits may be completed through pre-recorded online courses
- Only credits through live-online and in-person/classroom courses taken during this period may carry forward (up to two compliance periods)

Compliance Group 2 - Annual Deadline August 31

2021 Compliance Period: 9/1/20 - 8/31/21

- Twelve (12) hour requirement may be completed with credits earned through live-online or pre-recorded online courses
- Distance learning credits earned during this period may carry forward (up to two compliance periods)

2022 Compliance Period: 9/1/21 - 8/31/22 *and* 2023 Compliance Period: 9/1/22 - 8/31/23

- Six (6) credits must be live-online or in-person/classroom
- Up to (6) credits may be completed through pre-recorded online courses
- Only credits through live-online and in-person/classroom courses taken during this period may carry forward (up to two compliance periods)

Compliance Group 3 - Annual Deadline December 31

2021 Compliance Period: 1/1/21 - 12/31/21

- Twelve (12) hour requirement may be completed with credits earned through live-online or pre-recorded online courses
- Distance learning credits earned during this period may carry forward (up to two compliance periods)

2022 Compliance Period: 1/1/22 - 12/31/22 *and* 2023 Compliance Period: 1/1/23 - 12/31/23

- Six (6) credits must be live-online or in-person/classroom
- Up to (6) credits may be completed through pre-recorded online courses
- Only credits through live-online and in-person/classroom courses taken during this period may carry forward (up to two compliance periods)

All distance-learning credits must be reported by an Accredited Provider of Distance Learning. Please refer to the link below for a list of approved distance learning providers: https://www.pacle.org/providers/distance-learning

Still have a question? Please contact us at 1-800-497-2253 or email us at pacle.org. A member of our staff will be happy to assist.

To review all PA CLE Covid-19 accommodations click here.

The CLE Board will continue to monitor the impact of the coronavirus and update this page with news and announcements. In the meantime, you can learn more about mitigating the spread of the virus at health.pa.gov.