

KENTUCKY BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

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MEMORANDUM FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TO: All Licensees, Temporary Licensees, and Applicants

FROM: Kentucky Board of Chiropractic Examiners

RE: Executive Orders 2020-215, 2020-243, and Senate Bill ("SB") 150

DATE: May 19, 2021

By Executive Order 2020-215, Governor Beshear declared a State of Emergency in the Commonwealth of Kentucky on March 6, 2020 due to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Governor Beshear later issued Executive Order 2020-243, which ordered all boards to take the necessary actions to ensure appropriate social distancing and stated that any state statute or regulation that conflicts with the provisions of Executive Order 2020-243 was suspended. In addition, Senate Bill ("SB") 150, which became effective on March 30, 2020, allows boards to waive or suspend the fees or administrative obligations required to engage in business regulated by the board during the State of Emergency. The bill can be found at https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/record/20rs/sb150.html.

SB 150 provides that all current licenses remain in effect during the State of Emergency and all administrative requirements to keep licenses active are stayed for **thirty (30) days** after the State of Emergency is lifted. The stay includes all fees, fines, renewal applications, and continuing education requirements.

The Board has determined that the following Board regulation is affected by Executive Orders 2020-215 and 2020-243, and SB 150, and issues the following guidance for the duration of



the declared state of emergency and a period of ninety (90) days thereafter.

201 KAR 21:041 Section 3(3)(a). For the 2022 annual renewal cycle, for a license to practice chiropractic in Kentucky, all twelve (12) hours of required continuing education may be completed by any combination of online (live or recorded) or live inperson CE events during the state of emergency and until 90 days after the state of emergency has ceased. Once this 90 days has passed, a licensee may complete only 6 hours online.

Example: If you are a licensee and you complete four (4) hours of online training before the State of Emergency ends, and then you wait 91 days to complete any other CE, you can only have 2 additional online hours, and the rest must be live.

Please note that these changes are only in place during the State of Emergency and will expire 90 days after the State of Emergency has ceased.

Licensees are reminded of the following requirements regarding continuing education, which have not changed:

- 1. Requirements for online continuing education: Any entity submitting an online course for approval must be PACE certified and submit the program through the PACE precheck program. Any entity applying for approval must use the Board's form application for approval of continuing education.
- 2. The online program shall have a mechanism to ensure that users view each page of the program. The program shall ensure the user has earned all of the time required for the program. The program shall have a mechanism in place for the user to be able to contact the provider regarding questions about the continuing education programs. The program shall include a mechanism to evaluate the user's knowledge of the subject matter contained in the program. The program shall provide a printed verification or allow the user to print verification only upon completion of the program. The program shall ensure that the course time cannot be earned away



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from the program. Programs shall be earned one at a time. The program shall not earn credit for multiple windows or programs completed simultaneously.

- 3. A non-refundable educational program review fee of:
- a. Live Events Only -A minimum fee of \$25.00 for a live one-time event of 16 hours or less. Any event over 16 hours will be \$2.00 per requested credit hour with a maximum fee of \$100.00. For events with multiple dates and locations there will be an additional \$25.00 fee.
- b. Online Events Only- A minimum fee of \$25.00 for a live one-time event or recorded event of 16 hours or less. Any event over 16 hours will be \$2.00 per requested credit hour with a maximum fee of \$100.00. The online event will remain approved for 1 calendar year.
- c. Live Event That Will Also Be Recorded To Be Used As Online CE A minimum \$50.00 for an event of 16 hours or less. Any event over 16 hours will be \$2.00 per requested credit hour with a maximum fee of \$100.00. The online event will remain approved for 1 calendar year.
- d. An online course will remain approved for 1 calendar year from a date of the event providers choosing so long as that date is no earlier than 60 days from the date the Board received the submission for approval.
- 4. For each year after the initial year of peer review that a person seeks to register to perform peer review, they shall have completed six (6) hours of continuing education in topics specifically related to utilization review and approved by the KBCE to meet this requirement which shall be obtained at a live, in-person or online event.

