



Assigning Credit

Sixty minutes of participation in a CE certified learning activity generally equals one credit/contact hour. The following are specific guidelines:

- For live activities, the credits/contact hours should match the period of formal interaction between faculty and the participants and includes the portion of the activity devoted to the learning experience and the time spent evaluating the activity.
- For print enduring materials, the amount of credit will be determined by using the Mergener Formula.¹
- For non-print enduring activities, the credits/contact hours will match the length of the content on the media.
- When the CE activity is accredited for the learner's profession, the learner will receive the Certificate/Statement of Credit for their profession upon successful completion of the activity. If the activity is not CE accredited for their profession, the learner will receive a certificate of participation upon successful completion of the activity.

Physicians Only

- For any *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™* designated activity, in any venue, physicians should be instructed to claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity
- Only physicians may receive a CME certificate.

Nurses Only

- For nursing credit, the activity must be a minimum of 0.5 contact hours. If rounding is desired in the calculation of contact hours, the Academy will round down to the nearest 1/100.

Pharmacists Only

- Pharmacists are not eligible to earn partial credit for a CE activity.
- For Knowledge-based activities, there is no minimum amount of credit.
- For Application-based activities, the activity must be a minimum of 1.0

1. Mergener M. A preliminary study to determine the amount of continuing education credit to award for home study programs. *Am J Pharm Ed.*1991; 55:263-266.