

DENTAL COUNCIL OF INDIA

**(Guidelines for implementation of the
Continuing Dental Education Regulations 2007)**

(As approved by the Government of India vide its
letter No. V.12016/1/2006-DE dated 18.2.2009)

The Government Regulation relating to the implementation of the Continuing Dental Education has already been circulated to all the concerned state Dental councils. It may be amplified that the initiative taken up by the DCI at the centre will need to be implemented in the 29 states of the Indian Republic through the active participation and cooperation of the State Dental Councils, duly assisted by the Directors of Medical Education of the respective states through the office of the DGHS, Govt of India.

In this regard the attention of the state dental councils is drawn to the fact that they may initiate necessary action with the state governments / legislature to bring about a uniform system of licensure and renewal which can then be merged with the CDE regulations.

The first cycle of implementation of the CDE process may be for a period of five years i.e. w.e.f. 01st January 2009 to 31st December 2013. The method of on-line registration of new dentists and renewal of the registration of the dentists in the States, duly linked with the central body so that the data readily available is to be encouraged.

The first phase of implementation is voluntary and the State Dental Councils may please be advised that no Dentist should be debarred from registration or licensure in the event of his or her not being able to accrue the necessary points in this period. Special attention may be directed to the dentists registered under Past B of the schedule. The intention is to encourage and promote CDE and not punish.

The DCI has taken up the matter with the DGHS, Min Of H& FW to issue necessary directions to the Directors of Medical Education of the states to assist the state dental Councils in the creation of CDE program approval who will help to screen the content and Bio data of the CDE providers in order to allot CDE credits as approved by the Regulations. They will also assist the State Dental Councils in organising the 4 verifiable hours of CDE.

The Constitution of the State program Approval Bodies is:

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| 1 | President/ Secretary
State Dental Council | ex officio
Chairperson |
| 2 | The Director Medical
Education/or Nominees | Member |
| 3 | The Dean/Principal of any of
the Sate Govt. Dental College | Member |
| 4 | The eminent Dentist of the
concerned State | Member |

The said bodies can be appointed on a tenurable basis

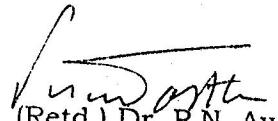
The disputes or clarification if any may be referred to the Sub Committee of the DCI already appointed at the centre. In the event

of the workload needing to be equitably distributed subsequent zonal approval bodies may be appointed in the future

- (i) **Zone-I** - Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Uttranchal, J&K, HP,
- (ii) **Zone-II** - Maharashtra, Goa, Gujrat, Rajasthan.
- (iii) **Zone-III** - M.P., Jharkhand, Chattisgarh.
- (iv) **Zone-IV** - Orissa, West Bengal, Bihar.
- (v) **Zone-V** - Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala , Pondicherry.
- (vi) **Zone-VI** - All the seven North-Eastern States.

An e learning initiative on the lines of the IGNOU may be also envisaged in the future

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**Guidelines on Section 2 (a) to 2(i) on
Continuation Dental Education Regulation, 2007
as approved by the General Body of the
Dental Council of India at its meeting held
on 25th & 26th April, 2008 and approved by the
Government of India, Ministry of Health
& Family Welfare, New Delhi, vide their
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1. Uniform initial registration fees of Rs. 1200/- and a renewal fees of Rs. 200/- per annum or Rs. 1000/- for 5 years for registration with respective State Dental Councils duly approved by the competent authority.
2. A system of Continuing Dental Education be introduced for dental surgeons registered and to be registered within the sovereign Republic of India.
3. The said requirement of mandatory CDE points would be a prerequisite to being registered and licensed to pursue the Profession of Dentistry in India.
4. All registered Dental Surgeons would need to accomplish 100 points in 5 years (20 points of CDE per year). Out of these 20; 4 CDE points per year would be mandatory and verifiable.

It will be essential to achieve a minimum 15 and a maximum of 25 points a year. 10 points for asepsis and infection control and 5 points for dental jurisprudence over a period of 5 years are mandatory.

5. CDE programme would commence from 01 June 2009 and all dental surgeons registered to date on the rolls of the State Dental Councils would be subjected to these requirements.
6. And that for this period the implementation would be on a voluntary self assessment format with each Dental Surgeons submitting a self assessment Proforma at the end of each year to the State Dental Council and being subject to a random audit.
7. The Council also proposes the implementation of a point system for Continuing Dental education for all registered practitioners under the dentists act for an initial period of 5 years to be effective w.e.f. 01 June 2009 and to be reviewed subsequently at the end of this period.
8. The award of credit points would be as follows:

i.	Full day lecture or conference	6	CDE points
ii.	Half Day lecture or workshop	3	CDE points
iii.	Evening product introduction / lecture business meeting	2	CDE points
iv.	45 min lecture with 15 min Q & A	1	CDE point

9. The CDE providers would give a blanket approval to all DCI recognized Govt Bodies, Armed Forces for award of CDE points by the respective State Dental Council.
10. The system of assessment is to be based on a self declaration format to be submitted to the respective Registrar of the State Dental Council every year by the practitioner in which he or she would detail the number of credit hours achieved in this period and a signed declaration of submission of proof of attendance in terms of certificates of participation, registration receipts etc. if required. A random audit system would be used to monitor the implementation.
11. The DCI also envisages the creation of a central registry and national data base of all registered practitioners in a phased manner on an electronic media base to further the implementation of a process of relicensing and revalidation once it is implemented in all the State Dental Councils.
12. The CDE implementation would be valid for a period of 5 years for each dentist (upto the age of 65 years) and will be reviewed at the end of this period by the State Dental Council under intimation to the DCI.

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