

Continuing Education: Insurance News You Can Use

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I submitted an application for a course about CPR, a very important and useful skill. Why was this course not approved?

Commerce Answer

While CPR, personal safety, and similar topics are important to all Minnesotans, submitted courses that are solely focused on these topics are not part of performing responsibilities specific to a particular license type. In order to qualify for continuing education credit, a course must be relevant to licensees in performing responsibilities specific to their license type (see Minnesota Statute [45.25, subd. 2.](#) and [45.30, subd. 1.](#)). In other words, a course can be approved if a licensee can apply the content of the course to further his or her work in the field on behalf of their clients.

Announcements

- In emergency situations, Commerce staff works with providers to add or replace a course instructor in order to avoid course approvals being lost because the replacement was not approved in advance.
- To add or replace an instructor for any reason, you must submit the Application to Add or Replace a License Education Instructor for approval before the course offering takes place. An instructor must be qualified by education, training, or experience (see Minnesota Statute [45.32](#)). Only qualified instructors can teach at approved course offerings.
- Submit the form as soon as you become aware that you need to add or replace an instructor, especially in “emergency” situations that could result in course approval being lost because the replacement instructor was not approved in advance.
- [Application to Add or Replace a License Education Instructor](#)

Did you know?

- The Minnesota Department of Commerce processed over 2,000 course applications during the past year.
- License education laws applicable to real estate agents are found in both [Minnesota Statute 45](#) and [Minnesota Statute 82B](#).

Is there a question you would like you have answered in this newsletter?

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