

## **AOBP/ACOP CME TEMPLATE FOR SPECIALTY HOURS IN PEDIATRICS**

The AOBP requires a total of 50 hours of specialty credit in Pediatrics every 3 years. This is out of a total of 120 hours of CME required by the AOA. The following activities are considered acceptable for specialty credit in Pediatrics:

### **FIRST GROUP**

- 1.) AOA Specialty College Seminars: Up to 50 hours per cycle in courses sponsored by the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians (ACOP) and its affiliates.
- 2.) ACCME Courses: Up to 50 hours per cycle in courses sponsored by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and its regional, state and sub-specialty affiliates, by the Pediatric department of any accredited US based medical school or by an accredited children's medical center.
- 3.) AOA Annual Scientific Seminar and Convention: Any hours designated as a pediatric lecture in addition to those sponsored by the ACOP.
- 4.) Formal Teaching: Up to 50 hours per cycle of formal, non-pharmaceutical sponsored lectures or presentations pertaining to Pediatrics, on an hour per hour basis.

Any specialty hours over 50 hours can be designated as category 1 or 2 and credit applied to the overall 120 hour requirement. All specialty credit should also be considered for category 1 credit based on established AOA guidelines.

The following CME activities may qualify for specialty credit, on an hour for hour basis, if related to pediatrics and approved by the ACOP CME committee, the ACOP Board of Trustees and the AOBP.

## SECOND GROUP

- 1.) AOA State Society meetings: All hours related to pediatrics.
- 2.) Courses sponsored by Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine: All hours related to pediatrics.
- 3.) AIDS Seminars: Up to 5 hours per cycle if related to pediatrics.
- 4.) Risk Management courses: Up to 5 hours per cycle if related to pediatrics.
- 5.) Ethics courses: Up to 5 hours per cycle if related to pediatrics.
- 6.) Medical Journals and Home Study: a 20 hour maximum per cycle, only if related to pediatrics.
- 7.) Scientific exhibits: Up to 5 hours per cycle as related to pediatrics.
- 8.) Standardized Life Support Courses: Up to 16 hours per cycle from PALS, NRP, ALTS courses.
- 10.) Test construction meetings: Up to 15 hours per cycle.
- 11.) Healthcare facility meetings: None
- 12.) Hospital inspections: None

State societies and COM's (1& 2 above) must submit the attached form designating specialty areas for the course content for approval to the ACOP CME committee.

Individuals must submit a request, with proof of pediatric relevance, that hours in categories 3-12 above be considered for specialty credit. Otherwise, they should be designated as category 1 or 2 based on established AOA guidelines.