Welcome

Welcome to the Defense Health Agency (DHA), Education and Training (J-7), Continuing Education (CE) Program Office (CEPO) CE Monthly Newsletter. The DHA, J7, CE Monthly Newsletter provides updates on the CE Management System (CMS), policies and procedures, accreditation guidelines, and upcoming Continuing Education/Continuing Medical Education (CE/CME) activities.

COVID-19 Trainings

On February 3, 2021, CEPO opened the DoD COVID-19 Immunization Augmentee Training. The DoD COVID-19 Immunization Augmentee Training is a home study activity that was created by The Immunization Healthcare Division at DHA to help train the trainers of the COVID-19 vaccine. The CEPO Tech Team assisted with the logistics of this training by utilizing Adobe Connect to record the presentations, produce the videos and create the course in the CMS. This home study activity will be available on the CMS until February 3, 2022.

CEPO continues to support the “COVID-19 Vaccine Training: General Overview of Immunization Best Practices for Health Care Providers” Home Study. The COVID-19 Vaccine Training Home Study can be found at the following link: https://www2.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/covid19/. The home study is also available for 2.0 CE/CME credits through the CEPO. To earn CE/CMEs; participants must complete the training on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) site, then register at the following link: https://www.dhaj7-cepo.com/content/covid-19-vaccine-training and complete both the posttest/evaluation questions.

Upcoming CE Activities

Registration is open for the February 25, 2021, Clinical Communities Speaker Series (CCSS), “Emerging Priorities in Women’s Health” Live Activity. This CCSS will take place virtually through Adobe Connect from 7:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. and participants can earn up to 7.0 CE/CME credits if all requirements are completed.

The February 2021 CCSS live event will highlight current evidence-based practices, policies, and recommendations and initiatives in women’s health issues including mental health, intimate partner violence (IPV), cardiovascular disease, human papillomavirus (HPV), and COVID-19 in pregnancy and its ethical considerations in women’s health care. To register for this activity, please visit the following link: https://www.dhaj7-cepo.com/content/feb-2021-ccss-emerging-priorities-women’s-health.

Home Study Activities

CEPO has a variety of home study activities available on the CMS (www.dhaj7-cepo.com) for CE/CME credit. Home study activities can be done at the convenience of learners while earning CE/CME credits from anywhere in the world! Below is the current list of home study activities available:

- July 23, 2020, DHA, CCSS, “Health Innovations and Promising Practices” - earn up to 8.0 CE/CME credits (Closes March 16, 2021)
- September 24, 2020, DHA, CCSS, “Military Health Care: Select Promising Practices” - earn up to 8.0 CE/CME credits
- *NEW* DoD Opioid Prescriber Safety Training - earn up to 2.0 CE/CME credits
- COVID-19 Vaccine Training; General Overview of Immunization Best Practices for Health Care Providers - earn up to 2.0 CE/CME credits
- Medical Records Documentation Home Study - earn up to 1.5 CE/CME credits
- Next Generation Behavioral Health Podcast - earn 1.0 CE/CME credit
- Quadruple Aim Performance Process Review - earn 1.0 CE/CME credit

*Access Code is available in JKO after completion of the course*
Accreditation Hot Spot - American Speech Language Hearing Association

DHA, J7, CEPO holds the American Speech Language Hearing Association (ASHA) accreditation which allows CEPO to provide continuing education to ASHA professionals. ASHA is the national professional, scientific, and credentialing association for 211,000 members and affiliates who are audiologists; speech-language pathologists; speech, language, and hearing scientists; audiologist and speech-language pathology support personnel; and students. Audiologists specialize in preventing and assessing hearing and balance disorders, as well as, providing audioligic treatment, including hearing aids. Speech-language pathologists (SLPs) identify, assess, and treat speech, language, and swallowing disorders.

ASHA’s mission is to empower and support audiologists, speech-language pathologists, and speech, language, and hearing scientists through advancing science, setting standards, fostering excellence in professional practice, and advocating for members and those they serve.

To view the current home study activities CEPO has available for ASHA professionals, please visit the CMS at the following link: www.dhaj7-cepo.com

Below is a list of home study activities available in the CMS for ASHA CEUs:

- September 2020 CCSS Session 3 Activity, “Improving Treatment Outcomes for Patients with Acute Concussion: A Defense Health Agency Quadruple Aim Performance Process (QPP) Initiative” offering 0.10 ASHA CEUs
- “Medical Records Documentation: Pitfalls & Legal Considerations” Special Feature Webinar, offering 0.15 ASHA CEUs
- “Evidence-Based Methods for Sterility and High Level Disinfection Assurance: the Path to High Reliability” Special Feature Webinar, offering 0.15 ASHA CEUs

Content Reviewers

CEPO is continuously looking for volunteer Content Reviewers to provide content reviews for a variety of CE/CME activities throughout the year. Content Reviewers are responsible for reviewing presentations and other CE/CME materials to determine if it is relevant to the specific profession the hosting organization is seeking accreditation for. The professions CEPO is accepting Content Reviewers for are as follows:

- Physicians
- Physician Assistants
- Nurses
- Pharmacists/Pharmacy Technicians
- Social Workers
- Psychologists
- Occupational Therapists
- Kinesiotherapists
- Certified Counselors
- Healthcare Executives
- Dentists
- Dental Hygienists
- Dental Technicians
- Optometrists
- Athletic Trainers
- Dietitians
- Speech Language Pathologists
- Audiologists
- Podiatrists

If you are interested in volunteering, please send your Curriculum Vitae to the CEPO at the following email address: dha.nsr.j7.mbx.continuing-education-office@mail.mil.

Contact Information

To contact the CEPO directly, please email dha.nsr.j7.mbx.continuing-education-office@mail.mil. To stay up-to-date on all of the different CE/CME offerings or to apply for CEPO support for events, please visit the CMS at the following link: www.dhaj7-cepo.com.