

This is an amendment to 16.2.18 NMAC, Section 8 effective 4/25/2023.

16.2.18.8 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR EDUCATIONAL COURSE APPROVAL: The board shall approve an educational course for a specific category of expanded practice upon completion of the following general requirements and the specific requirements listed for the specific category of expanded practice educational course approval. All courses shall adhere to ICE credentialing standards. All references to application in this section refer to the educational course application.

A. The educational course shall provide at least the minimum number of hours of education in the areas listed for the specific category of educational course hours. One [~~(1)~~] hour of education shall be equal to that defined by the accreditation commission for acupuncture and [~~oriental medicine (ACAOM)~~] herbal medicine (ACAHM). The education shall be in addition to the education required to meet the minimum educational program requirements for licensure as a doctor of oriental medicine.

B. The educational course application shall include a description of the education being provided as required by the educational course general curriculum defined in 16.2.18.11 NMAC and the educational course curriculum defined for the specific category of expanded practice for which the educational course is applying for approval.

C. The educational course application shall include the curriculum vitae for all teachers, and proposed substitute teachers all classes shall be taught by qualified teachers approved by the board, provided the following conditions are met:

(1) the education in the pharmacology of the authorized substances shall be taught by a licensed pharmacist, Pharm D or a Ph.D. in pharmacology; and

(2) the education in the clinical therapeutic use of the authorized substances shall be taught by a licensed health care practitioner with appropriate training and a minimum of five [~~(5)~~] years experience using the authorized substances.

D. The educational course application shall include documentation that all required clinical practice hours shall have a teacher to student ratio of at least one [~~(1)~~] teacher to no more than eight [~~(8)~~] students.

E. The educational course application shall include examples of the test questions that students enrolled in the course are required to successfully pass in order to ensure competence in all required areas. Testing methodology shall be approved by the board and testing shall be administered, subject to approval by a credentialed PhD psychometrician, as described in the ICE credentialing standards and as approved by the board. The educational course shall send all student test scores and evaluation scores directly to the board.

F. The educational course application shall include an example of the certificate that shall be given for successful completion of the educational course.

G. Each educational course shall be completed within two [~~(2)~~] years of commencement of that course.

H. A student who is allergic or hypersensitive to an authorized substance may be excused from participating in clinical practice when such an authorized substance is being used.

I. A board member or an agent of the board has the authority to observe, audit and evaluate educational courses at any time after an application has been filed. A course audit or evaluation may result in denial, suspension or revocation of the course's approval by the board in accordance with law.

J. The educational course provider shall specify whether the organization offering the educational course is a sole proprietorship, partnership, LLC, corporation or non-profit corporation and shall provide proof of such legal business status.

K. An educational course shall submit a new application on the form approved by the board, pay the appropriate fee defined in 16.2.10 NMAC and comply with all other new application requirements if any of the following changes:

- (1) ownership;
- (2) faculty; and
- (3) curriculum.

L. An educational course shall inform the board in writing, provided that the educational course certifies that all factors defined in Subsection J of 16.2.18.8 NMAC remain unchanged, if any of the following changes:

- (1) name;

- (2) address; and
- (3) phone number.

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