

**Continuing Education Policy Re: Apprentice CEUs
Approved by the Board, Feb. 6, 2007**

Statement of Problem: *Apprentices under 93D are not required to obtain CEUs prior to taking and passing the licensure examination; however, some apprentices are under the assumption that by obtaining CEUs prior to passing the exam, they are able to carry those CEUs forward for renewal purposes after passing the exam. And most recently, an apprentice who had obtained CEUs prior to taking the exam has since failed the exam and is demanding his/her money be refunded that was paid as CE fees to the Board or that the accumulated CEUs be allowed to carry forward until such time that the exam is passed.*

It is recommended that the Board adopt a policy that states the following:

Continuing education credits are not required of individuals apprenticed under 93D. If an apprentice CHOOSES to obtain any CEUs prior to taking and passing the exam for licensure, none of the accumulated CEUs will be counted towards licensure renewal for the next upcoming renewal period for licensure. In addition, CEUs are eligible for use for the renewal year in which they were obtained ONLY. CEUs cannot be carried forward into future renewal years.

If an apprentice who does obtain CEUs and does report the CEUs to the Board along with the CE fees, no fees will be refunded should the apprentice not pass the exam or wish to withdraw the CEUs from the Board records.