Pennsylvania
CME Credits Required: 100
Term (Years): 2
AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™ required: 20
Required Topics: 12 credits patient safety or risk management (For DOs: AOA 1-A).

The State Board of Medicine regulations state that to renew a medical license, a physician will need:

- **100 total credit hours** of CME in the two-year license cycle (with license cycles ending on Dec. 31 of each even year). A minimum of 20 of the total credit hours in Category 1.
- **12 credit hours** in the areas of patient safety or risk management (either Category 1 or Cat 2). Topics that will satisfy the patient safety/risk management requirement include:
  - Improving medical records and record keeping
  - Reducing medical errors
  - Professional conduct and ethics
  - Improving communication among physicians and with other health care personnel
  - Communication between physicians and patients
  - Preventive medicine education
  - Health care quality improvement
- **2 credit hours** from a Department of Human Services' (formerly DPW) approved course on the topic of mandated child abuse recognition and reporting for a license renewal (effective 1/1/2015) **OR** 3 credit hours from a Department of Human Services' approved course on the topic of mandated child abuse recognition and reporting for an initial license (effective 1/1/2015)

Currently the State of Pennsylvania has no cultural competency requirements or end-of-life care requirements for physicians. See more at: http://www.pamedsoc.org/MainMenuCategories/Education/CME-Tracker/MD-CME-requirements.html
Licensed physicians are required by law to earn credits in continuing medical education in order to maintain their medical licenses. For license renewal, physicians must complete **100 credits** of continuing medical education (CME) during each renewal period, forty (40) of which must be **AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™**, the remaining sixty (60) can be **AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ 1 or 2**. MSNJ can help members sort through the regulatory requirements.

**AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™** is designated by providers accredited by either MSNJ, the ACCME (Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education) or by another state medical society. **AMA PRA Category 2 Credit™** can be claimed for activities that are self-directed learning experiences that improve patient care. Examples include: reading authoritative peer-reviewed literature and consulting with colleagues. Refer to AMA’s Eligibility Requirements for specifics concerning activities that qualify for either **AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™** or **AMA PRA Category 2 Credit™**.

**NEW STARTING FOR THE 2015 LICENSE RENEWAL** – Two (2) of the 40 Category 1 Credits need to be in **End-of-Life-Care** – this mandate per the POLST ACT. Information about available course to meet this requirement can be found at: [http://www.msnj.org/p/cm/ld/fid=480](http://www.msnj.org/p/cm/ld/fid=480)

Currently the State of New Jersey has no requirements for patient safety and risk management, or child abuse recognition. See more at: [http://www.msnj.org/p/cm/ld/fid=70](http://www.msnj.org/p/cm/ld/fid=70)
To renew your license, you will be required to attest that you have completed mandatory training required by Delaware law on:

- How to recognize child sexual and physical abuse, exploitation and domestic violence, and
- Your reporting obligations under the Medical Practice Act and 16 Del. C. §903.

The mandatory training is required by Section 1723 of the Medical Practice Act, effective August 1, 2010. It applies to everyone licensed by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline including Physicians Assistants, Respiratory Care Practitioners, Paramedics, Genetics Counselors, Acupuncture Practitioners, Acupuncture Detoxification Specialists, and Polysomnographers as well as Physicians.

Currently the State of Delaware has no requirements for cultural competency, patient safety and risk management, or end-of life care. See more at: http://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/medicalpractice/physlicense.shtml