

CEU Approval FAQs – Michigan

NOTE: This course is approved for 16 PDR credits through reciprocity agreement in the State of Michigan with other State Boards for Physical Therapy. (Pre) Menopause Matters has been approved through state physical therapy boards in Pennsylvania and Illinois.

We have reprinted the FAQs page from the MPTA website. Please refer to the website for more information and confirmation of CEUs.

“How can I be sure a continuing education course will count for CEUs/PDR credit?”

There is no simple response to this question but the guidance below that will help you make this determination on your own.

The first step is to determine if the course has been approved.

The course sponsor should provide approval information in their course brochure or online information. If you cannot find the information, call the course sponsor to ask. You will need to be specific with your question. They may not be able to tell you if the course would be accepted in Michigan. Instead you need to ask if the course has been approved (by any entity). If so, find out which entity approved the course.

The second step is to determine if the course as approved or offered will meet the criteria for PDR credits.

The Michigan Board of Physical Therapy General Rules state that courses approved or offered by the following entities will be approved/accepted for PDR credit for clinical and/or non-clinical courses related to the practice of physical therapy:

Another state Board of Physical Therapy

The Michigan Board of Medicine

The Michigan Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery

The Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT)

The American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) or its components

An accredited physical therapist educational program that meets the standards in R 338.7131

An accredited physical therapist assistant educational program that meets the standards in R 338.7141

An important clarification is that “APTA and its components” means APTA and its specialty sections and state chapters. Thus, a course approved or offered by MPTA or another state physical therapy association would be accepted for PDR credit. The number of credits is based on the contact hours designated by the approving entity. In almost all cases, 1 contact hour = 1 CEU = 1 PDR credit for onsite courses. Some organizations assign .1 CEU for one contact hour.

The certificate of completion should indicate the number of contact hours. 1 Contact Hour = 1 PDR credit. Online course credits are determined by the approving entity. In summary, if a course is approved by MPTA, the Ohio Physical Therapy Association or any other state physical therapy association, it would be accepted for PDR credits in Michigan.

Several other types of entities approve or offer courses which would be accepted as PDR credit:

- In some states the Board of Physical Therapy approves courses. Those courses would be accepted as well.
- The Federation of State Board of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) offers a program called ProCert for course approval. Courses approved through FSBPT are also accepted.
- Courses offered by accredited academic programs would also be recognized.

The final step is to make sure that you have documentation from the course to prove your participation – typically a certificate of completion.

You do not have to submit documentation at the time of license renewal, but, if audited, you will need to provide proof to substantiate your PDR activities. Maintain and organize your PDR activities free of charge with **CEU LOCKER** located on the MPTA website at mpta.com.

Each PT/PTA licensee is responsible for providing the rationale to support their PDRs should they be audited.

Reference: State of Michigan Website: <https://mpta.com/continuing-education/>