

Mission of the CMS Accreditation Program

The Committee on Professional Education and Accreditation (CPEA) commits to serve the educational needs of Colorado physicians through proper support and direction of our Continuing Medical Education (CME) provider network.

By monitoring, encouraging, improving and promoting quality Continuing Medical Education for Colorado physicians, we endeavor to improve medical care and health of Colorado citizens.

Goals:

1. To promote innovative and quality continuing medical education for physicians
2. To advocate excellence in the delivery of health care
3. To seek improvement in the health and well being of the citizens of Colorado

Objectives:

1. To maintain recognition through the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to accredit intrastate sponsors of CME
2. To provide intrastate accreditation for hospitals, specialty societies and physician organizations
3. To promote high quality continuing medical education
4. To assist our accredited providers in promoting innovative approaches in CME

Strategies:

Through proper management of the accreditation process, we will maintain high standards for Continuing Medical Education consistent with the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) Essentials and Elements.

We will provide the following support: personal consultation and other communications; coaching sessions; periodic workshops. Through the workshops and seminars committee members and CME coordinators will be provided updated information regarding Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education requirements and will provide a forum for questions and discussions.

Expected Results:

We will improve the quality of CME offerings in Colorado as evidenced by: committee's (surveyors') observation of Continuing Medical Education presentations and the commitment to continuing education leaders in each setting; examination of the self study responses; providers' assessment of their improvements.

As a result of our activities, we expect that all qualified entities desiring to become CME in Colorado meet the ACCME Essentials.