

*Title:* Joint Accreditation of Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE)

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Revised:



1. Section 507 of the Board’s rules describe the continuing education requirements for the renewal of pharmacist licenses, and Section 909 of the Board’s rules describe the continuing education requirements for the renewal of pharmacy technician certificates. [LAC 46:LIII.507 and LAC 46:LIII.909]
2. The continuing education requirements for the renewal of credentials for pharmacists and pharmacy technicians require the acquisition of continuing education from providers accredited by the Accreditation Council of Pharmacy Education (ACPE).
3. ACPE collaborated with the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) to develop a Joint Accreditation of Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE) credit mark, intended for healthcare team-based interprofessional continuing education activities with participation by practitioners from two or more healthcare professions.
4. Continuing education providers accredited through the IPCE program are required to comply with all the accreditation standards developed by ACCME, ACPE, and ANCC.
5. The Board now interprets Sections 507 and 909 of its rules, as well as any other rules which may require the acquisition of ACPE-accredited continuing education, such that continuing education programs provided by IPCE-accredited providers are acceptable for the purpose of meeting continuing education requirements for the renewal of credentials by pharmacists and pharmacy technicians.