

Provisions of Connecticut General Statutes
Continuing Education for Nursing Home Administrators

Section 19a-515. License renewal. Continuing education requirement. (a) Each nursing home administrator's license issued pursuant to the provisions of sections 19a-511 to 19a-520, inclusive, shall be renewed annually, in accordance with section 19a-88, except for cause, by the Department of Public Health, upon forms to be furnished by said department and upon the payment to said department, by each applicant for license renewal, of the sum of fifty dollars. Each such fee shall be remitted to the Department of Public Health on or before the date prescribed under section 19a-88. Such renewals shall be granted unless said department finds the applicant has acted or failed to act in such a manner or under such circumstances as would constitute grounds for suspension or revocation of such license.

(b) On and after October 1, 2004, each licensee shall complete a minimum of twenty hours of continuing education during each registration period. The continuing education shall be in areas related to the licensee's practice. Qualifying continuing education activities are courses offered or approved by the Connecticut Association of Healthcare Facilities, the Connecticut Association of Not-For-Profit Providers, the Connecticut Chapter of the American College of Health Care Administrators, any accredited college or university, or programs presented or approved by the National Continuing Education Review Service of the National Association of Boards of Examiners of Long Term Care Administrators, or by federal or state departments or agencies. For purposes of this section, "registration period" means the twelve-month period for which a license has been renewed in accordance with section 19a-88 and is current and valid.

(c) Each licensee shall obtain a certificate of completion from the provider of the continuing education for all continuing education hours that are successfully completed and shall retain such certificate for a minimum of three years following the license renewal date for which the activity satisfies the continuing education requirements. Upon request by the department, the licensee shall submit the certificate to the department. A licensee who fails to comply with the continuing education requirements shall be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to section 19a-517.

(d) The continuing education requirements shall be waived for licensees applying for licensure renewal for the first time. The department may, for a licensee who has a medical disability or illness, grant a waiver of the continuing education requirements for a specific period of time or may grant the licensee an extension of time in which to fulfill the requirements.