



THIS IS AN IMPORTANT EMAIL ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE NEBRASKA STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY (BOARD)

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16 HOURS OF PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES COUNT 100%

As of January 1, 2014 the Board will implement a new policy regarding CPE personal development courses. The new policy:

“A CPA may take up to 16 hours of “self determined” personal development courses that relate to their current employment for biennial permit renewal requirements. The other required 64 (or more) hours must be “technical” and directly related to the practice of public accountancy”

The Board decided that 16 hours of the 80 hour requirement can be utilized at the discretion of the CPA to assist in career development. This is ***not*** a requirement and the CPA may choose to complete the entire 80 hour requirement in technical courses related to the practice of public accountancy. This policy will replace the former policy that counted personal development at 50% of the hours taken.

The 16 hours should relate to professional development within the CPAs current employment. *The other 64 hours must be “technical” in nature and directly related to the practice of public accountancy.*

Examples of professional development courses include:

- Communication
- Leadership
- Developing strengths or talents
- Developing writing skills
- Courses that pertain to your work

It is still highly recommended CPAs submit a Program Qualification Form (PQF) to determine the number of hours a program will count towards the CPE requirement including the 16 hours of professional development.

If you have any questions, contact the Board office at (402) 471-3595 or email heather.myers@nebraska.gov.

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