



Oklahoma State Board of Osteopathic Examiners

MEMORANDUM

FROM: Michael T. Leake Jr., JD
TO:
DATE: April 10, 2023
SUBJECT: DEA 8-Hour Training Requirement for Permit Application & Renewal

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Dear All Oklahoma Osteopathic Physicians with DEA Permits:

Please note, this email does not apply to Oklahoma osteopathic physicians who do not hold a permit to prescribe controlled drugs by the federal agency known as the Drug Enforcement Agency ("DEA"). **More clearly, if you do not have a permit to prescribe CDS by the DEA, you are not required to take the newly required eight (8) hours of training.**

Please be advised that the federal DEA has announced a new requirement for every provider who applies for or renews their DEA registration. **It is now required that any providers who apply for or renew a DEA permit on or after June 27, 2023, complete at least eight (8) hours of training on opioid or other substance use disorders.** Please note, that this is not a new state-required mandate but instead a requirement by the federal government for those doctors who choose to have a DEA permit.

Practitioners who previously took training to meet the requirements of the DATA-2000 waiver to prescribe buprenorphine can count this training towards the 8-hour training requirement. **Further, doctors who graduated from Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine ("OSU-COM") from the class of 2018-19 to the present will be exempted from the training requirements as this training is a part of the curriculum at OSU-COM.** Graduates from an osteopathic medical school outside of Oklahoma within the last five (5) years are encouraged to contact their medical school to confirm their graduates meet the criteria for an exemption.

The eight (8) hour training is a one-time requirement. Once you have completed the training, you will not be required to undergo the training for future renewals of the DEA permit. The deadline for satisfying the new training requirement is the date of a prescriber's next scheduled DEA registration submission provided the date is on or after June 27, 2023. If you are within the timeframe to renew your permit early through the

DEA, you can do so prior to June 27 without the need to complete the training. You will then be required to complete the training by the time you renew your DEA permit.

You can meet this new training requirement in one of three ways:

1. A total of eight (8) hours of training from a range of training entities on opioid or other substance use disorders; or
2. Board certification in addiction medicine or addiction psychiatry from the American Board of Medical Specialties, American Board of Addiction Medicine, or the American Osteopathic Association; or
3. Graduation within five (5) years and in good standing from a medical school in the United States that included successful completion of an opioid or other substance use disorder curriculum of at least 8 hours. This curriculum must have included teaching on treating and managing patients with opioid and other substance use disorders, including the appropriate clinical use of all drugs approved by the Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of a substance use disorder. **The DO Board has confirmed that all graduates from Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine (“OSU-COM”) from the class of 2018-19 to the present will be exempted from the training requirement as this training is a part of the curriculum at OSU-COM.**

It is not anticipated that the one (1) hour proper prescribing requirement for doctors with a DEA registration and a permit from the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs (“OBND”) will suffice to meet the new federal 8-hour training requirement.

The 8 required hours of training can occur through classroom situations, seminars at professional society meetings, virtual platforms, or via other accredited continuing education sources. There is no requirement that the training be completed in one session. The training can be satisfied through cumulative CME hours, as long as the training is provided by or approved by one of the following organizations:

- The American Society of Addiction Medicine
- The American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry
- The American Medical Association
- The American Osteopathic Association
- The American Dental Association
- The American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons
- The American Psychiatric Association
- The American Nurses Credentialing Center
- The American Association of Nurse Practitioners
- The American Academy of Physician Associates
- Any other organization accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) or the Commission for Continuing Education Provider Recognition (CCEPR)
- Any organization accredited by a State medical society accreditor that is recognized by the ACCME or the CCEPR

- Any organization accredited by the American Osteopathic Association to provide continuing medical education.
- Any organization approved by the ACCME, or the CCEPR.

Locally, you can find more information about training opportunities by contacting the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association (“OOA”) or by visiting their website at www.okosteo.org. You may also call the OOA at 405/528-4848.

As always, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Osteopathic Board’s Office by calling 405/528-8625 or emailing support@osboe.ok.gov. You may also visit our website by going to www.osboe.ok.gov.

Very truly yours,

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