

Content of Continuing Education

The Content of Continuing Education rules are listed below. For your convenience and future reference, you may wish to bookmark the Alabama Administrative Code Link [<http://www.abn.alabama.gov/Content.aspx?id=134>] Content of Continuing Education rules are located in **Rule 610-X-10-.03**.

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(1) Acceptable content for continuing education courses shall include one or more of the following:

- (a) Clinical technology, procedures, and nursing implications.
- (b) Specialty areas of nursing practice.
- (c) Nursing practices related to care of the patient, including but not limited to counseling, patient teaching, infection control, and safety factors.
- (d) Administration, management, and supervision in health care delivery.
- (e) Social, legal, and ethical aspects of nursing.
- (f) Nursing education.
- (g) Nursing research, theory, and practice issues.
- (h) Quality improvement and management, accrediting standards, and processes.
- (i) Academic credit earned from liberal arts, sciences, business, and general education courses obtained after initial licensure from an institution accredited by an educational accrediting body.
- (j) Professional conduct.

(2) Courses that are not directly applicable to nursing practice are not acceptable for continuing education credit. Such courses may include but are not limited to:

- (a) Courses taken for self-improvement such as weight loss, self-awareness, self-therapy, changes in attitude, and yoga.
- (b) Cardiopulmonary resuscitation and first aid classes designed for lay people.
- (c) Courses taken for personal economic gain e.g. investment, retirement planning.
- (d) Orientation, inservice programs and mandatory annual education on facility specific policies - specific activities designed to familiarize employees with the policies and procedures of an institution or specific job duties, or general orientation in-service.
- (e) Serving as a preceptor for students in the clinical setting,
- (f) Presentation of class(es), course(s) or program(s) that are:
 - (i) Part of job requirements.
 - (ii) Not an original development of the presenter
 - (iii) Not approved by a Board-approved provider of continuing education.