BME Adopts Three Rules Amending Continuing Education Requirements



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On May 5, 2025, the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners implemented changes to the Continuing Medical Education (CME) requirements for physicians and podiatrists, commencing with the biennial renewal period beginning on July 1, 2025, and one change to the continuing education requirements for physician assistants, commencing with the biennial renewal period beginning on May 5, 2026.

1. Physicians will be required to have at least two CME credits relating to sexual misconduct prevention. Such training is required to include information about how to interact with patients who have been sexually abused or harassed, understanding the power dynamics that contribute to sexual misconduct in the health care field, and effective methods of identifying human trafficking.

2. Physicians who provide perinatal treatment and care to pregnant persons will be required to have at least one CME credit of evidence-based training in explicit and implicit bias. Such training is required to include identification of previous and current unconscious biases and misinformation when providing perinatal treatment and corrective measures to decrease explicit and implicit bias at the interpersonal and institutional levels.

3. Physician assistants who provide perinatal treatment and care to pregnant persons will be required to have at least one continuing education credit of evidence-based training in explicit and implicit bias. Such training is required to include identification of previous and current unconscious biases and misinformation when providing perinatal treatment and corrective measures to decrease explicit and implicit bias at the interpersonal and institutional levels.

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