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**Board of Examiners in Optometry Continuing Education Allowance**

In light of the cancellation of in-person meetings due to COVID-19, the SC Board of Examiners in Optometry has increased the amount of continuing education (CE) hours that may be obtained online from 10 hours to 15 hours during the current biennial licensure period:

- 1) A maximum of 15 CE hours for any coursework via electronic medium will be allowed for the current biennial renewal cycle ONLY (expiration date 12/31/2020). This includes, but is not limited to, live webinars and prerecorded courses.
- 2) Continuing education hours obtained after 12/31/2020 shall be subject to the 10-hour online course maximum set forth in S.C. Reg. 95-4(E).

The South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation is currently restricting the public from entering the LLR Kingstree Building. However, Board staff is working remotely and will assist you as quickly as they can. Licensees and other members of the public needing assistance are encouraged to visit the Board website at [www.llr.sc.gov](http://www.llr.sc.gov) or 803-896-4679 or email to [contact.optometry@llr.sc.gov](mailto:contact.optometry@llr.sc.gov).

The Board will continue to monitor the situation and will communicate updates via email and Board website. Over the next few weeks, the Board encourages both the public and licensees to remain calm and take appropriate action to decrease the transmission of COVID-19.

Sincerely,

South Carolina Board of Examiners in Optometry