

## Guidelines for Using ACPE Logos and Marks

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ACPE Logo



ACPE Certificate  
Program Mark



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## **Authorized Use of the ACPE Logo**

**1. Identification as an ACPE Accredited Professional Degree Program in Pharmacy<sup>1</sup>:** An ACPE accredited professional degree program in pharmacy may use the ACPE Logo in printed and electronic formats. Such use must always be in close conjunction with a prescribed statement identifying the name of institution's program and its accreditation status. The ACPE Logo and prescribed statements, as specified below, should be prominently disclosed by the College or School of Pharmacy in its promotional and descriptive materials, such as its catalog or bulletin. During the transitional period, the accreditation status of the baccalaureate in pharmacy program should also be presented if applicable. **The ACPE Logo shall display the appropriate registration designation; i.e., ®.**

**Accreditation** References to a program that is accredited should state only the following in conjunction with the ACPE Logo:

[Name of Institution's Doctor of Pharmacy (and Baccalaureate in Pharmacy) program(s)] is/are accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, 20 North Clark Street, Suite 2500, Chicago, IL 60602-5109, TEL (312) 664-3575 , FAX (312) 664-4652, URL [www.acpe-accredit.org](http://www.acpe-accredit.org).

**Preaccreditation (Precandidate Status).** References to a program that has been granted precandidate status should display the following accreditation statement in conjunction with the ACPE Logo and definition of precandidate status:

[Name of Institution's Doctor of Pharmacy program] has been granted precandidate status by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, 20 North Clark Street, Suite 2500, Chicago, IL 60602-5109, TEL (312) 664-3575 , FAX (312) 664-4652, URL [www.acpe-accredit.org](http://www.acpe-accredit.org).

A new program that has no students enrolled but has a Dean may be granted Precandidate accreditation status. The granting of Precandidate status indicates that a College or School's planning for the Doctor of Pharmacy program has taken into account ACPE standards and guidelines and suggests reasonable assurances of moving to the next step, that of Candidate status. Granting of Precandidate status brings no rights or privileges of accreditation. Full public disclosure by the College or School of Pharmacy of the terms and conditions of this accreditation status is required.

**Preaccreditation (Candidate Status).** References to a program that has been granted candidate status should display the following accreditation statement in conjunction with the ACPE Logo and definition of candidate status

[Name of Institution's Doctor of Pharmacy program] has been granted candidate status by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, 20 North Clark Street, Suite 2500, Chicago, IL 60602-5109, TEL (312) 664-3575 , FAX (312) 664-4652, URL [www.acpe-accredit.org](http://www.acpe-accredit.org).

A new program that has students enrolled but has not had a graduating class may be granted Candidate status. The granting of Candidate status denotes a developmental program, which is

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<sup>1</sup> Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (2002). Policies and Procedures: Sec. 8-9. In *Accreditation Manual for Professional Programs 9<sup>th</sup> Edition*.

expected to mature in accord with stated plans and within a defined time period. Reasonable assurances are expected to be provided that the program may become accredited as programmatic experiences are gained, generally, by the time the first class has graduated. Graduates of a class designated as having Candidate status have the same rights and privileges as graduates of an accredited program.

**Probation.** Reference to a program that has been placed in a probationary status should state the following in conjunction with the ACPE Logo:

The accreditation of [Name of Institution's Doctor of Pharmacy program] has been placed in a probationary status by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, 20 North Clark Street, Suite 2500, Chicago, IL 60602-5109, TEL (312) 664-3575, FAX (312) 664-4652, URL [www.acpe-accredit.org](http://www.acpe-accredit.org). For an explanation of probationary status, consult the office of the Dean.

**2. Identification as an ACPE Accredited Provider of Continuing Education:** ACPE accredited providers of continuing pharmacy education may use the ACPE Logo in printed and electronic formats for publications, advertising, promotional and sales materials. Such use must always be in close conjunction with a statement identifying the accredited provider(s) according to the exact language of the prescribed statement:

The [name of accredited provider(s)] is/are accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education as a provider of continuing pharmacy education.<sup>2</sup>

The ACPE Logo and Provider statement are required for program announcement literature.<sup>3</sup> **The ACPE Logo shall display the appropriate registration designation; i.e., ®.**

**3. Statements of Credit:** The official ACPE Logo is required on statements of credit or other official documents indicating the successful completion of continuing pharmacy education programs that are sponsored or co-sponsored by ACPE accredited providers of continuing pharmacy education.<sup>4</sup> **The ACPE Logo shall display the appropriate registration designation; i.e., ®.**

**4. Link to the ACPE Website:** Web sites that serve as noncommercial electronic informational forums concerning ACPE policies, procedures and services may use the ACPE Logo to indicate a link to ACPE's web site at [www.acpe-accredit.org](http://www.acpe-accredit.org). The area around the ACPE Logo must be clean and uncluttered and the ACPE Logo must not be altered, used as a design element or incorporated into any other design, graphic, illustration, or logo on the web site. **The ACPE Logo shall display the appropriate registration designation; i.e., ®.**

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<sup>2</sup> ACPE, 20 North Clark Street, Suite 2500, Chicago, Illinois 60602

<sup>3</sup> Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (1996) Criteria for Quality and Interpretive Guidelines for Accreditation of Providers of Continuing Pharmacy Education (Criterion 5). In *Continuing Education Manual: Continuing Pharmacy Education Provider Approval Program 1<sup>st</sup> Edition*.

<sup>4</sup> Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (1996) Criteria for Quality and Interpretive Guidelines for Accreditation of Providers of Continuing Pharmacy Education (Criterion 8). In *Continuing Education Manual: Continuing Pharmacy Education Provider Approval Program 1<sup>st</sup> Edition*.

## **Authorized Use of the ACPE Certificate Program Mark**

**1. Identification of a Certificate Program in Pharmacy:** ACPE accredited providers of continuing pharmacy education that are accredited to offer certificate programs in pharmacy should use the ACPE Certificate Program Mark in close conjunction with the title of a certificate program. Generally, the mark should appear with the first use of the certificate program title in each printed or electronic document that references the certificate program and may be used in conjunction with subsequent occurrences of the title in the document at the discretion of the Provider.<sup>5</sup> This mark is to be used in addition to the ACPE Logo and Provider statement as set forth in the *Criteria for Quality and Interpretive Guidelines for Accreditation of Providers of Continuing Pharmacy Education*. **The ACPE Certificate Program Mark shall display the appropriate registration designation; i.e., ®.**

**2. Documentation of Completion:** ACPE accredited providers of continuing pharmacy education that are accredited to offer certificate programs in pharmacy are required to place the ACPE Certificate Program Mark on official documents issued to participants that indicate the successful completion of such sponsored or co-sponsored certificate programs in pharmacy.<sup>6</sup> **The ACPE Certificate Program Mark shall display the appropriate registration designation; i.e., ®.**

## **Authorized Use of the ACPE PLAN Logo**

**Link to the ACPE Website:** Web sites that serve as noncommercial electronic informational forums concerning ACPE's Pharmacists' Learning Assistance Network may use the ACPE P.L.A.N.<sup>®</sup> Logo to indicate a link to ACPE's web site at [www.acpe-accredit.org](http://www.acpe-accredit.org). The area around the ACPE P.L.A.N.<sup>®</sup> Logo must be clean and uncluttered and the ACPE P.L.A.N.<sup>®</sup> Logo must not be altered, used as a design element or incorporated into any other design, graphic, illustration, or logo on the web site. **The ACPE Logo shall display the appropriate registration designation; i.e., ®.**

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**2. Company, Product, or Service Name:** You may not use or register, in whole or in part the ACPE Logo, ACPE Certificate Program Mark or any other ACPE-owned graphic symbol or an alteration thereof, as or as part of a company name, trade name, product name, or service name except as specifically noted in these guidelines.

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<sup>5</sup> Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education. (2002). *Standards and Quality Assurance Procedures for ACPE Accredited Providers of Continuing Pharmacy Education Offering Certificate Programs in Pharmacy* (Standard 6).

<sup>6</sup> Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (2002). *Standards and Quality Assurance Procedures for ACPE Accredited Providers of Continuing Pharmacy Education Offering Certificate Programs in Pharmacy* (Standard 8).

**3. Variations, Takeoffs or Abbreviations:** You may not alter or use the ACPE Logo, ACPE Certificate Program Mark or any other ACPE-owned graphic symbol as design elements or incorporate them into any other design, graphic or illustration for any purpose.

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