1. June 2024 Board Meeting

During the January 2024 Board Meeting, the ACPE Board of Directors reviewed CPD-related initiatives and education planned for 2024. As of January 1st, submissions for the CPD accreditation pathway are now open! Providers will be able to award CPD units (CPDUs) for the completion of activities reflective of CPD cycle components.

ACPE defines CPD as: “a self-directed, ongoing, systematic and outcomes-focused approach to lifelong learning that is applied into practice.” While continuing pharmacy education (CPE) is a component of CPD, CPD involves formal planning and active participation in learning activities that assist individuals in developing and maintaining competence, enhancing their professional practice, and supporting achievement of their career goals.

Documents to guide providers interested in submitting a CPD program are available on the ACPE website: https://www.acpe-accredit.org/continuing-
2. CPD Program Awarded Provisional Accreditation

The University of Florida College of Pharmacy has been granted provisional accreditation status for their CPD program in July of 2024. As a provider of an accredited CPD program and accredited CPE provider, The University of Florida College of Pharmacy may award CPDU for components of the CPD cycle, which may be integrated into existing CPE activities. This is the first CPD program to be granted provisional accreditation status under the new CPD program accreditation pathway. Congratulations!

3. CPD Case Study Series: Episode 4 - CPD for Student Pharmacists

In Episode 4, hear Dr. Mary Bridgeman, Dr. Christine Parikh, and Dr. Kristin Reinaker from the Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy, Rutgers University, discuss the implementation of an eight semester course series designed to provide a framework for tracking professional readiness, professional identify formation, and prepare students for lifelong learning by introducing and applying the process and principles of CPD!

4. 2024 Educational Opportunities

ACPE at American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) Pharmacy Education 2024!

ACPE staff will be at Pharmacy Education 2024 in Boston, MA from July 20th-24th. Staff and Kelsey Frederick, PharmD (The University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Pharmacy) and Amanda Margolis, PharmD MS BCACP (University of Wisconsin - Madison) will be presenting Monday July 22nd from 3:30 to 4:40 East Coast USA Time. Their session titled "Continuing Professional Development in Practice: A Primer from Pharmacy Educators," will
introduce the concept of CPD, describe strategies to implement CPD in different settings, and provide learners with the opportunity to develop CPD programs for their own institutions. More information can be found HERE.

National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP)/AACP Regional Meetings

ACPE staff will be presenting at both the Region 3 and Region 5 meetings. These sessions will focus on how CPD can benefit regulatory, licensure, and certification bodies. The dates of these presentation can be found below:

Region 3: Wednesday August 14th, 2024 in Mobile, AL.

Region 5: Friday August 2nd, 2024 in Omaha, NE.

CPD Application Webinars and Resources

ACPE staff have posted educational webinars on the ACPE website, providing information on the rubric for CPD program evaluation and expectations surrounding policies and procedures for CPD programs. Links to application materials and educational resources can be found below.

Application Materials
- CPD Program Rubric
- Policies & Procedures

CPD Education
- Examples of CPD for Providers and Pharmacy Learners
- CPD Accreditation Pathway Information Webinar
- CPD Self-Assessment Rubric Webinar

ACPE CPE Conference 2024

Mark your calendars, the ACPE CPE Conference is back! The ACPE CPE Commission and staff are planning “Continuing Education for an Evolving World” to take place November 18-20, 2024 at the ACPE Office in Chicago! The conference will include an opportunity to attend a CPE Administrator Workshop or CPD Workshop, in addition to keynotes, workshop sessions, and round tables focused on specific ACPE Standards and hot topics in CPE. In addition, you will have an opportunity to be informed of ACPE Updates and to discuss and share approaches to advance CE and CPD through engagement with peer providers. We are planning to have workshops to choose from that will stimulate discussion, enhance your CPE program, and meet the needs of pharmacist and pharmacy technician learners. The conference website and registration are now live! Visit the website HERE and register for the conference via the button below!

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

5. ACPE CPD Platform (My CPD)

Developed as an expansion of CPE Monitor®, a collaborative service from the
National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) and ACPE, CPE Monitor® Plus is a subscription service designed to support pharmacists’ maintenance of licensure and continuing professional development. Subscribers can:

- Develop and track CPD cycles, including CPE and additional activities which contribute to CPD.
- Keep track of CPE requirements and deadlines with notifications and alerts.
- Upload non-ACPE accredited continuing education (CE) credit to relevant state licenses.
- Generate reports of CE activity for current licensure period or custom data range.
- Create personal development plans, document CE and non-CE learning activities, and demonstrate the impact of learning in practice using the CPD platform.

Available via the CPE Monitor® Plus mobile app or web browser, the CPD platform (My CPD) provides a user-friendly interface to help set the direction of one’s professional development and keep it going over time. It can aid in demonstrating that competencies are kept current; providing a record of professional development which can be shared to fulfill employment or regulatory requirements; and directing career goals or supporting career change.

ACPE has recently made improvements to the platform, including the option to upload completed CPD portfolios, upload specific activities within each stage or component of the CPD cycle, and added additional prompts to encourage reflection and application of learning to practice. To access the CPD platform, upgrade to CPE Monitor® Plus HERE. Further information about My CPD, including a User Guide, can be found on the CPD Platform section of the ACPE website. Additional CPD resources can be found on the CPD webpage.

6. CPD Implementation – Share Your Experiences

If you have been involved in putting models of self-directed lifelong learning into action or advancing CPD in the profession, your contribution is highly valued. ACPE is interested in learning about your strategies, practices, and outcomes in promoting self-directed lifelong learning. Submission of approaches to CPD implementation can be submitted to cpdinfo@acpe-accredit.org. ACPE will work with contributors to share their stories, tips, and tools in a variety of formats.

Interested in implementing CPD within your organization or institution? ACPE can offer guidance and education on integrating the concepts and components CPD for the professional development of pharmacists, student pharmacists, and/or technicians. Please contact ACPE staff for more information.

7. Recent CPD-Related Publications


Evaluation of existing continuing pharmacy education activities which incorporate elements of continuing professional development.

An evaluation of country-specific continuing education models and requirements for pharmacist relicensure.