

Singapore Nursing Board

Criteria for the Award of Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Points

A CPE point is a unit of credit that recognised nurses' and midwives' participation in **nursing specific** education program. The events undertaken by nurses/midwives must be **directly relevant or appropriate** to the nurse or midwife's **context and scope of practice** with the aim to maintain, improve, deepen and broaden their knowledge, skills and competence. It includes attendances at in-services, lectures, seminars, conferences & workshops, enrolment of courses, self-directed learning/reading and participation in or facilitation of research events, publications, oral and poster presentations.

CATEGORY	EVENT	CRITERIA	CPE POINTS/CAP	CLAIMED BY
I	<u>In-Service Programmes</u> (Not less than 1 hour) - Case Study - Journal Club - Lecture - E Learning	1 to 2 hours Presenter	1 1 per session (Max 15 points per yr.)	CPE Provider APN
II-A	<u>Local/Structured Events</u> (Not less than 1 hour) - Conference - Seminar - Lecture - Workshop - In-house training - Course	≤ 2hours > 2 to 4 hours 1 day 1 1/2 day 2 days 2 1/2 day 3 days or more Presenter	1 2 4 6 8 10 12 2 per session	CPE Provider APN
II-B	<u>Local/Overseas Events</u> - Conference - Seminar - Lecture - Workshop - Study Trip - Course	≤ 2hours > 2 to 4 hours 1 day 1 1/2 day 2 days 2 1/2 day 3 days or more Presenter	1 2 4 6 8 10 12 2 per topic	Nurse / Midwife
III	<u>Research/ Evidence Based/ Nursing Quality Improvement Projects</u> <u>Presentation of original paper / poster/ project</u> Poster Presentation Oral Presentation	Principal investigator/ Leader Co-investigator/ members Reviewer/Presenter Presenter	10 per project 5 per project 2 per paper 4 per paper	Nurse / Midwife

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IV	<p>Publication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Indexed Journal - Book/Textbook - Online publication - Practice Guidelines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Author Co-author Appointed Reviewer Editor Co-Editor Chapter author Appointed Reviewer Author Co-author/ Contributor Chair Member 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 per article 2 per article 2 per article 5 2 5 2 2 1 5 2 	Nurse / Midwife
V-A	<p>Self-directed Learning- with verifiable assessment (e-learning, self-learning package, mobile learning)</p>	Each submission	1 (Max 10 points per yr.)	Nurse / midwife
V-B	<p>Self-directed Reading Reading of papers from Health-related journals, Clinical Practice Guidelines & online publications</p>	Each journal paper/article submission	1 per claim (Max 5 points per yr.)	Nurse / midwife
VI	<p>Formal courses (Not leading to academic qualification and courses that are not awarded PE points)</p> <p>Clinical attachment HMDP Local Attachment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 – 5 hours 6 – 10 hours 11 – 15 hours 16 – 20 hours > 20 hours ≤ 10 days 11 – 20 days > 20 days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 4 6 8 10 2 4 6 <p>(Max 10 points per yr.)</p>	Nurse / midwife

Requirements for the renewal of Practising Certificate

- A **Registered Nurse** is recommended to attain **15 CPE points per year**.
- An **Enrolled Nurse and/or Midwife** (Single Register) is recommended to attain **10 CPE points per year**.
- An **Advanced Practice Nurse** is required to attain **30 CPE points per year**, of which at least 15 CPE must be related to Advanced Practice Nursing or their clinical specialty.
- CPE points will be awarded for delivering the lecture for the first time only. But full-time educators cannot claim CPE points for presentations/lectures that are part of their job expectations but may use other presentations made outside the duties of their job. Similarly, a nurse researcher cannot claim CPE for research works (presentation & publication).
- Nurses on Provisional Registration are not required to attain CPE points during their Competency Assessment Period