CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION FAQ:
What is Category 1-A and Category 1?

The AZ Osteopathic Board does not approve CME. We accept some categories of CME after the AOA or AMA approves them. For more detailed information about CME categories, visit the AOA and the AMA websites. For information regarding *amount* of CME hours required for AZ license renewal, see the License Renewal & CME FAQ at www.azdo.gov

What is Category 1-A? Continuing medical education courses approved by the American Osteopathic Association for renewal of licensure / membership.

1) Formal Osteopathic CME: formal, face-to-face programs by an AOA accredited sponsor.
Documentation: the participation certificate states the name of the course, the date it was completed, the number of Category 1-A hours awarded and the name of the AOA accredited sponsor

2) Osteopathic Medical Teaching / Grand Rounds / Faculty Development Programs
Documentation: 1) Copy of AOA approval letter AND 2) copy of submission for credit sent by CME Department of AOA accredited College of Osteopathic Medicine or sponsoring hospital that submitted the hours / faculty names.

3) Standardized Federal Aviation Courses / Federal Programs
Documentation: 1) Certificate of completion of FAA "Aviation Medicine" course or US Armed Services "Flight Surgeon Primary Course" OR 1) certifications of completion of formal, face-to-face courses AND 2) documentation that physician was on active duty or employed by a uniformed service during the time the course was completed.

4) Judging Osteopathic Clinical Case Presentations and Research Poster Presentations
Documentation: Certificate / letter from AOA sponsor of hours awarded for this activity, including name of sponsor and formal CME function at which judging occurred.

5) Standardized Life Support Classes (ALS)
Documentation: certificate of completion. Refer to the CME Guide at the American Osteopathic Association website (www.osteopathic.org) for the eligible course names and hours of credit awarded for each.

What is Category 1? Continuing medical education courses approved by the American Medical Association for renewal of licensure / membership.

1) CME courses, including face-to-face and on-line courses by an accredited AMA sponsor.
Documentation: the participation certificate states the name of the course, the date it was completed, the number of Category 1 hours awarded and the name of the AMA accredited sponsor.

Post Graduate Training as substitution for CME if newly licensed:

1) PGT Training for first year of licensure only.
If you were registered in an AOA or ACGME post graduate training program during your first year of AZ licensure, you may substitute that PG training for 20 CME for your first renewal only. For your next renewal, you will be required to complete CME courses, even if you continue in PG training for several more years.