# **Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners**

## Continuing Acupuncture Education: Guidelines for Approval/Recognition of Courses for Credit May 4, 2007

## Course Approval

CAE courses are **recognized for credit without approval** of staff or the board if the provider is a preferred provider.

- Preferred providers must submit application, fee, documentation, and be approved by the TSBAE.
- Once approved, the preferred providers are trusted to offer appropriate courses within the guidelines and the boards rules (Board Rule 183.20).

## CAE courses are approved for credit by staff if:

- The provider is a not a preferred provider;
- o Instructor qualifications in rule are met (Board Rule 183.20(s));
- o Procedural, documentation and all other requirements are met; and
- The course content meets requirements for staff approval.

CAE courses are **referred to the TSBAEs Education Committee for determination** if a non-preferred provider requests approval of a course and the course content does not meet requirements for staff approval or there is some other issue related to compliance with board rules.

## Preferred Providers

Providers are approved by the Continuing Education Committee of the TSBAE upon submission of appropriate documentation and demonstration of compliance with the boards rules (Board Rules 183.20(r), 183.20(s)).

Qualifications include three years previous experience providing CAE courses in Texas that were approved by the board and no history of complaints or reprimands with the board. Approval expires three years after it is issued by the board and may be renewed upon the filing of the required application and fee.

Preferred providers must comply with board rule regarding course content: that it must be related to the practice of acupuncture or oriental medicine, and be related to the knowledge and/or technical skills required to practice acupuncture or related to direct and/or indirect patient care (Board Rule 183.20(n)(1)). In addition, preferred providers must ensure that CAE programs that presented are instructed by persons who meet the minimum criteria in board rule. Preferred providers must agree to maintain records and

comply with other requirements as specified in board rule (Board Rules 183.20(r), 183.20(s)).

Preferred providers will be required to report to the board, on a periodic basis, information about courses they offered as preferred providers. This information will be reviewed by the Education Committee of the TSBAE and is subject to audit by board staff.

#### Course Content Requirements for Staff Approval

Non-preferred providers may be eligible for staff approval of CAE courses if the following course content requirements are met:

- Course content must be related to the practice of acupuncture or oriental medicine, and be related to the knowledge and/or technical skills required to practice acupuncture or related to direct and/or indirect patient care (Board Rule 183.20(n)(1)).
- 2. Content requested is equivalent to content of courses currently approved by the TSBAE. All courses with current approval by the TSBAE have been assigned keyword indices, which are available for search by staff. Staff may also search currently approved courses for key words in course titles.

Hours granted by staff will be consistent with, and not exceed, hours currently approved by the board for courses with equivalent content.

All procedural and documentation requirements must also be met.

#### Procedural Requirements

- 1. Application to Become a Preferred Provider
  - Provider submits application and fee
  - Staff reviews application for completeness
  - Application is presented to the Education Committee of the TSBAE for approval.
- 2. Application for CAE Course Approval by a Non-Preferred Provider
  - Provider submits application and fee
  - Staff reviews the applications to determine if:
    - Course clearly meets content requirements for staff approval;
    - Method of instruction is adequate;

- Instructor qualifications in rule are met, and,
- The provider complies with all other procedural and documentation requirements.
- If all requirements for staff approval are met, staff approves the CAE course(s).
- If course content has not previously been approved by the TSBAE or there is some other issue related to compliance with board rules, staff refers application to Education Committee of TSBAE for review.

#### Keyword List for CAE Courses Currently Approved by the TSBAE (to be used to research courses for similar content)

Accident
Adrenal
AIDS
Allergies
Alternative
Ankle
Anxiety
Arthritis
Artifical Insemination
Assessment
Asthma
Auricular
Autoimmune
Back
Balance
Ban Xia Xie Tang
Biomedicine
Birth Trauma
Blood
Blood stasis
Bloodletting
Bone
Breast
Business
Cancer
Cardiovascular
Carpal Tunnel
Channels
Chinese Medicine
Chronic
Chronic fatigue
Clinical
Cold
Colitis

Color
Colorpuncture
Complementary
Constipation
Constitutional
Cosmetic
Cough
Crohn's
Cupping
Dampness
Dan Shen
Depression
Dermatology
Diabetes
Diagnosis
Diarrhea
Dietary
Differential diagnosis
Digestive
Disease
Dr. Tan
Ear
Ear and Nose
Eczema
Emotional
Endometriosis
Esoteric
Facial
Fever
Fibromyalgia
Five elements
Forbidden points
Formulas
Gall bladder

Gall stone
Gastroenterological
Geriatrics
Golden Elixir Alchemy
Golden Needle
Gynecology
Hakomi
Hand Therapy
Hari
Headache
Hepatitis
Herbal Drug Interactions
Herbal tea
Herpes
High cholesterol
HIV
Holistic
Hua Tuo Wu
Hyperlipoproteinemia
Hyperplasia
Hypertension
Hyperthyroid
Hypothyroid
I Ching
Imagery
Imaging
Immune
Infectious Disease
Infertility
Injury
Insomnia
Insurance
Integration
Integrative

Integrative Medicine
Interstitial Cystitis
Irritable bowel syndrome
Japanese
Japanese Acupuncture
Joint
Kidney
Kiiko Matsumoto
Korean
Lab reports
Laser
Legal
Light
Liver
Male
Master Tong
Master Tung
Medical Errors
Medical records
MeiZen Cosmetic
Menopause
Menstrual
Mental
Meridian
Migraines
Mindfulness
Miriam Lee
Modalities
Morning Sickness
Moxibustion
Multiple sclerosis
Musculoskeletal
Neck
Needling Techniques
Nerve
Neurology
Neurotransmitter
Ni San Zhen
Nomenclature
Nutrition
Ocular
Organs
Oscellation
Osteoporosis

Deia
Pain
Pathogenic
Pathophysiological
Patients
Pearls
Pediatrics
Pharmacology
Phlegm
Physical
Physiology
Plegm
PMS
Points
Postpartum
Potency
Practice Management
Pre and Post Op Care
Pregnancy
Professional
Responsibility
Prostate
Prostatic Hypertrophy
Pulse
Pulse Diagnosis
Purity
Qi
Qigong
Qin Xi
Quantum
Referral
Reflexology
Reflux
Reproductive
Research
Resistant Patient
Respiratory
Rheumatoid
Risk management
San Hu Tang
SARS
Scalp
Sensitivity
Sexual
Shang Han Lun
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Shen
Shiatsu
Shu
Si Wu Tang
Sinusitis
Sleep Apnea
Soft Tissue
Sports
Stages
Stress
Stroke
Sun Bing-Yan
Symptoms
Tai Chi
Tai Ji Quan
Ten Needles
Thumb Technique
Tongue Diagnosis
Tonification
Toyohari
Traumatology
Trigeminal
Twelve Magical Points
Ulcer
Ulcerative
Vessels
Vitamins
Wang Le-Ting
Warps
Weight
Wen Bing
Western
Western Medicine
Worker
Wrist
Wu Ling San
Yang
Yeum-Yang
Yin
Yin Qiao San
Zang-fu
Zong Lun