If the topic is related to Functional Medicine, please refer to the topic-specific guidance to determine eligibility. For all other topics, select and follow the appropriate pathway to determine eligibility.

Non-Clinical Topic Pathway

Start

- The topic is ineligible for credit.

Is the educational content relevant to the scope of family medicine and does it comply with the definitions of Prescribed or Elective credit?

Yes

- Does the educational content adhere to one or more of the following, as evident in the learning objectives?
  1. Have a direct bearing on a physician’s ability to deliver patient care.
  2. Assist physicians in carrying out their professional responsibilities more effectively and efficiently.
  3. Directly support the profession of family medicine.

No

- The topic is ineligible for credit.

No

- The topic is ineligible for credit.

Yes

- Does the educational content adhere to all of the following?
  1. Does not appear dangerous or ineffective.
  2. Offers a balanced explanation of potential risks and benefits.
  3. Presented in a manner intended to inform rather than instruct.

No

- The topic is ineligible for credit.

No

- The topic is ineligible for credit.

Yes

- Does the educational content comply with the ACME Standards?

No

- The topic is ineligible for credit.

Yes

- The topic is eligible for credit.*

Clinical Topic Pathway

Start

- Is the educational content relevant to the scope of family medicine and does it adhere to the definitions of Prescribed or Elective credit?

Yes

- Does the educational content evidence-based and/or customary and generally accepted?

No

- The topic is ineligible for credit.

Yes

- Does the educational content align with all of the following?
  1. Based on educational needs of learners based on their professional practice gaps.
  2. Address one or more ACGME/ABMS core competencies.
  3. Engage learners in the education as appropriate, and
  4. Define and evaluate the learner’s achieved outcome level.

No

- The topic is ineligible for credit.

Yes

- Does the educational content provide learning objectives stating what the learner is intended to be able to do upon completion of the education?

No

- The topic is ineligible for credit.

Yes

- Does the educational content comply with the ACME Standards?

No

- The topic is ineligible for credit.

Yes

- The topic is eligible for credit.*

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