



Did you know...

## You can obtain continuing education from a variety of sources?

Here are some of the ways you can acquire continuing education:

### Hospital/Agency Education

Many work-related educational sessions or in-services may be appropriate for recertification. (Please note: topics such as infection control, CPR, First Aid and Life Saving are not accepted.)

### Academic Courses

Coursework can be audited (8 hours per academic credit) or taken for credit (15 hours per academic credit). Academic courses may be taken online or through correspondence. (For a list of suggested coursework, visit [www.NCTRC.org](http://www.NCTRC.org) and click on *Standards & Publications* and then *Information for New Applicants*.)

### Teleconferences/Audio Seminars

A growing number of continuing education providers sponsor teleconferences. (Check out *LINKS* on the NCTRC website.)

### Home Study Programs

Several organizations provide continuing education via professional journal review and home study courses. Similar to many online programs, educational material can be purchased for completion over an extended time period. (Check out *LINKS* on the NCTRC website.)

### Internet

A simple search for "continuing education" will provide many opportunities for consideration. Many of the internet/online-based continuing education programs can be purchased for a reasonable fee.

### Conferences

Therapeutic Recreation, Recreation, or CE sessions in related disciplines are accepted as long as the content relates to the NCTRC Job Analysis Knowledge Areas.

## Continuing Education

NCTRC Standards require 50 hours of continuing education during the five-year certification cycle. Continuing education must relate to the NCTRC Job Analysis Knowledge Areas. For a copy of the Recertification Standards, please visit [www.NCTRC.org](http://www.NCTRC.org) and click on *Standards & Publications* and then on *Recertification and Reentry*.

Please remember, upon completion of continuing education you must receive official, original documentation of participation containing the following information: your name, attendance date, title of the course or program and contact hours.

NCTRC offers early confirmation of previously earned continuing education hours prior to the submission of a formal recertification application. The application form for this early approval process is available at [www.NCTRC.org](http://www.NCTRC.org) under *Standards and Publications*.

**NCTRC wants to assist you with your recertification. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office by phone 845-639-1439, email [nctrc@NCTRC.org](mailto:nctrc@NCTRC.org), or fax 845-639-1471.**

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