

GBS PROPHYLAXIS CONTINUING EDUCATION

Question 1: Are licensed direct entry midwives (LDM) licensed before January 1, 2016 required to take the eight hours of Group B Streptococcal (GBS) prophylaxis continuing education (CE)?

Answer 1: Yes. An LDM must obtain the eight hours of GBS CE prior to their 2016 renewal. An LDM is required to attest to having completed the eight hours of GBS CE on the renewal form. If audited the LDM will be responsible for submitting proof of having obtained the GBS CE.

Question 2: If an LDM was licensed after January 1, 2016 when will the additional eight hours of GBS CE be required?

Answer 2: If an LDM is licensed after January 1, 2016 they should obtain their GBS CE hours in the full 48 hour Initial Legend Drugs and Devices (LDD) CE listed in OAR 332-020-0010(4).

Question 3: Is an LDM required to obtain the 8.5 LDD CE hours and the one-time eight hour course in GBS if the LDM is required to attest to the 8.5 LDD CE hours on the 2016 renewal:

Answer 3: Yes.

Question 4: What kind of documentation will be required to prove completion of the GBS CE hours?

Answer 4: Each LDM is required to keep documentation of CEU hours for two years following the renewal year the LDM was required to attest to obtaining appropriate CEUs. If audited the LDM would be required to submit proof of having obtained the required number of CE. Information acceptable to submit for proof of having obtained appropriate CE is listed under OAR 332-020-0015.

Question 5: Can an LDM administer GBS prophylaxis before their 2016 renewal date?

Answer 5: Yes. If the LDM has received the eight hours of GBS CE they may administer the antibiotic for GBS prophylaxis.

Question 6: If an LDM is not planning on administrating I.V. antibiotics for GBS prophylaxis are they still required to take the GBS CE?

Answer 6: Yes

Question 7: Once an LDM has taken the GBS CE is the LDM required to administer I.V. antibiotics?

Answer 7: No

Question 8: Are there any GBS CE courses scheduled at this time? If so when, where, how do I register and what is the cost?

Answer 8: Yes. Allan Hedges has three CE courses for GBS scheduled.

DATES OF GBS CE COURSES

- Friday, October 30th at Andaluz Birth Center. NOTE: this course is limited to only LDMs working for Andaluz Birth Center.

COST FOR GBS CE COURSE

The cost for the GBS CE course provided by Allan Hedges will be between \$70 to \$80 per person. The cost includes I.V. and Practi-vial supplies for reconstituting antibiotics

HOW TO REGISTER FOR GBS CE COURSE

To register contact Allen Hedges at hedgesmd@comcast.net or at (503) 474-7764 or contact the location of the course directly.

GENERAL CONTINUING EDUCATION INFORMATION

Question 9: When is an LDM required to start obtaining and attesting to 35 hours of Standard CE?

Question 9: An LDM must begin obtaining 35 hours of Standard CE once they have attested to their last 30 hour Standard CE. See attached letter for specific attestation timeframes.

Question 10: When are LDMs required to obtain 48 hours LDD?

Answer 10: LDMs licensed after January 1, 2016 will be required to attest to having completed 48 hours of LDD upon first renewal following initial licensure. The 48 hours will include the eight hours of GBS continuing education.

Question 11: Does the 8.5 LDD continuing education required for renewal every two years include GBS prophylaxis within the content?

Question 11: Yes. There will not be additional hours added to the 8.5 continuing education for LDD renewal (every two years).

Question 12: Does an LDM have to obtain an additional 10 hours of CE if they have attended fewer than five births in the previous year?

Answer 12: Yes. The additional 10 hours of CE must be obtained during the next renewal cycle. Example if an LDM did two births in 2014, then in 2015 an additional 10 hours of CE would need to be completed and attested to upon renewal in 2015.

Question 13: How will an LDM know how many CE hours are required?

Answer 13: The renewal notice will list the CE requirements including number of hours required and the date they are required by. The list should include standard CE (30/35 hours), LDD CE (8.5) hours and one time GBS CE (8 hours). (see chart)

Question 14: Can an LDM use neonatal resuscitation towards CE hours?

Answer 14: No