

General Information about Continuing Education

The Children's Dyslexia Centers, Inc. expects that all graduates will earn a minimum of 30 continuing education hours every three years. We follow the Continuing Education policies and procedures set forth by our accrediting body, the International Multisensory Structured Language Education Council (IMSLEC).

All certified employees must complete their continuing education hours to remain eligible for employment as a Center.

If you do not submit your continuing education log when it is due, you will no longer be eligible to submit continuing education hours in the future.

Our graduates receive a letter accompanying their certificate that includes the due date for the first continuing education cycle. A table of due dates is posted on the website <http://childrensdyslexiacenters.org> under the "Continuing Ed" tab.

Letters are sent in early spring to those graduates who are eligible to submit their continuing education logs. Those letters will explain when the logs are due and how to submit the logs. A minimum of ten percent of the program graduates will be audited through random selection. Most of our trainers will be audited. Those people on the audit list will be notified in early spring and they must submit all supporting documentation as listed on the IMSLEC Forms for each continuing education option.

In our program, course hours for the Supervisor and Advanced Teacher may be counted as continuing education hours.

To be eligible for continuing education hours: "The activity content and learning outcomes must be related to the sciences as they pertain to dyslexia and related disorders or to related fields, such as learning disabilities and speech and language disorders." "Activities, content and level must be **beyond** requirements of IMSLEC-accredited courses and must contribute to the acquisition of **new** skills and knowledge." (IMSLEC CEU Policy, Section 1, March 2014).

- Accepted Sponsors for activities:
 - IMSLEC-accredited training courses
 - International Dyslexia Association (IDA) and its branches
 - Academic Language Therapy Association (ALTA) and its branches
 - American Speech-Language Hearing Association (ASHA) and its branches
 - Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators (AOGPE)
 - National Committee for Learning Disabilities (NCLD)
 - A speaker sponsored by another organization "provided documentation is attached to the certificate of attendance showing that the speaker has previously presented for one of the organizations listed" above. (IMSLEC CEU Policy, Section 1, March 2014). List the approved organization, location and date on the CEU Log form. **Note: This means that you are responsible for obtaining this information before you submit your CEU log.**

There are two general methods for calculating the continuing education hours. Some options will offer Continuing Education Units, where the conversion is 0.1 CEU =1 clock hour. The other option is counting actual seat time which is generally called “clock hours”.

A list of activity options, required documentation, and required forms may be found on the website <http://childrensdyslexiacenters.org> under the “Continuing Ed” tab. As IMLSEC updates the approved book and journal lists, these lists will be posted on the website. A spreadsheet with many of the approved presenters may also be found on the website—please note that there will be approved presenters who are not on this list.

If you have questions, please contact your Center Director or the Clinical Director.