NAGALAND MEDICAL COUNCIL

Continuing Medical Education (CME) Guidelines

A. Guidelines for CME Programmes for getting accreditation.

- 1. Accreditation of Credit Hours to be awarded will be the sole discretion of Nagaland Medical Council and will depend on the subject matter, status and quality of the paper presented in the CME/Workshop/Conference.
- 2. Any professional organization/body/institution holding CME should apply for accreditation in the prescribed format (**Appendix- E**). The Council after verifying the credential of the organization will give certificate of accreditation to these bodies to hold CMEs.
- 3. The recognized organization/body/association will apply to the NMC for holding CME. The application should be accompanied by detailed programme of the CME/conference including the names, qualification, designation, nationality of the speaker(s) and the subject.
- 4. Accredited bodies likes IMA/professional bodies which hold regular CME will have to inform NMC, the date and time of the CME in advance so that NMC can nominate Observer for the CME.
- 5. Credit Hours will be based on the composition of the faculty participation, quality and contents of the subject.
- 6. No prior issue of CME attendance Certification will be entertained. It should be awarded only after completion of the CME/Workshop/Conference.
- 7. If any Certificate issued by the organization is found to be false the recognition of issuing accreditation certificate will be cancelled and subjected to penalty under MCI Code of Ethics.

B. Organization/Academic activities for CME accreditation.

- 1. Central Government and State Government Organization/ Hospitals (Including District Hospitals) and training Centre in Health and Family Welfare, Defence and Railways.
- 2. Professional bodies of repute functioning at State and District Level e.g. Physicians Forum/Surgeons Forum/Doctors Forum,etc.
- 3. Nagaland In-Service Doctors Association (NIDA).
- 4. Indian Medical Association (IMA) -State and District Chapters.
- 5. International Conference of professional bodies.
- 6. National Conference of professional bodies.
- 7. All recognized Medical Colleges.
- 8. NGO of good repute & standing.

C. <u>Guidelines for determining number of credit hours.</u>

- 1. To be eligible for 1 (one) credit hour, a CME/workshop should be for a minimum of 2 (two) hours duration with minimum of 2 (two) Speakers.
- 2. A guest lecture by a faculty of International repute shall be awarded 1 (one) credit hour irrespective of the duration of the lecture.
- 3. A one day CME/workshop (with minimum 8 hours duration) within the state or country shall be eligible for a maximum of 4 (four) Credit Hours for any event.
- 4. Speakers/Resource persons at any Conference/CME/Workshop/Training programme will be given one extra credit hour for that particular academic activity.
- 5. Doctors doing post graduation courses from recognized institution will get 4 (four) credit hours per year for the normal duration of the courses.
- 6. Doctors attending International CME/Conference held in overseas as delegate on production of the Certificate of the attendance will get 4 (four) Credit Hours.
- 7. Any paper published in National or International Medical Journal will be entitled to 3 (three) credit hours for both the author and co-author.
- 8. Paper presentation in a recognized National/International conference will be entitled to 1 (one) credit hour, subject to submission of documentary evidence to NMC.
- 9. Credit hour certificate will be countersigned by NMC Observer.
- 10. Credit Hour for the NMC Observer will be as per other participants.
- 11. The Principal Director, Directors, Additional Directors and Dean of Medical College will be awarded six (6) credit hours per year.

D. <u>CME nor accredited.</u>

- 1. CME organized by Drug/Hospital equipment companies for promotion of their product.
- 2. CME organized by nursing home/hospital/person for self promotion as marketing purpose.

E. <u>Fees for application for granting credit accreditation of conference/CME/workshop.</u>

- a. District level Rs. 1000/-
- b. State level Rs. 2000/-
- c. Regional/Zonal level Rs. 5,000/-
- d. National level Rs. 10,000/-
- e. International level Rs. 25,000/-

F. Application for granting accreditation to NMC should be given in the prescribed format in Appendix- E.