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CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES (CPD)

STANDARD PROTOCOL AND GUIDELINES PROGRAMMES

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1. FOREWORD

Continuous Professional Development (CPD) is important and is needed at all stages of an

individual's career to continue improving knowledge, understanding and enhancement of

competency and skills and to meet the dynamic nature of today's healthcare challenges in

meeting the needs of the clients in the current paradigm.

Continuous professional development requires proper planning to ensure the Allied Health

Professional (AHP) together with their superiors/employer identify the training needs for

professional development. Every AHP needs to continuously update their knowledge on

current evidence-based scientific findings and apply this knowledge in practice.

Allied health professionals are trained in various fields of specialties to improve the quality of

care to clients, directly or indirectly, The AHPC CPD guideline is designed to provide the

framework for the core activities of the AHP and to provide opportunities for further

developments of the professional to deliver and perform his/her professional responsibilities

more efficiently, effectively for improved outcome. The CPD guideline is an AHPC

assessment tool that seeks to provide a comprehensive mechanism to evaluate the knowledge,

competency and skills of its professionals.

The AHPC appreciate all the efforts of and contribution of all those who were involved in the

development of this guideline.

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#### **MANDATE**

Section 3(h) of Part one of the Health Professions Regulatory Bodies Act, 2013 (Act 857) mandates the Council among other objects/functions, "determine and implement post-registration, continuing education and continuing professional Development (CPD) programmes for practitioners. The Council has therefore identified the professional activities in these documents as its CPD programme guidelines.

#### **DEFINITION**

Continuing professional development (CPD) refers to the process by which allied health professionals maintain and improve their knowledge, competencies, and skills to remain relevant in their chosen professions for the benefit of themselves, their clients, professional reputation and for societal good.

A CPD programme represents a commitment to continuous personal and professional development in order to provide quality care and promote professional integrity for the benefit of the individuals, clients the profession and the society.

#### SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY

It is the responsibility of the individual AHP to identify, select and attend relevant CPD programmes or CPD activities that will help them in their personal and professional learning goals. The CPD activities chosen should be relevant to the current or future practice of the allied health profession being practiced. Any CPD programme that is not listed in this document should be referred to the Council for approval.

#### 2. INTERPRETATION

The following terms are applicable to Continuous Professional Development in general and the document that follows:

- "Act" means Part One of Health Professions Regulatory Bodies Act, 2013 (Act 857) and any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall bear such meaning, unless inconsistent with the context.
- "AHP" means the Allied Health Professional as defined by the section 23 of Part One of the Health Professions Regulatory Bodies Act, 2013 (Act 857).
- "AHPB" means Allied Health Professional Body(ies); defined as professional bodies registered under professional bodies registration Act, NRCD 143 (1973) as amended.
- "AHPC" means the Allied Health Professions Council of Ghana as constituted by the Part One of Health Professions Regulatory Bodies Act, 2013 (Act 857)
- "Approval" means AHPC recognition and accreditation of continuous professional education and training courses or activities offered by CPD service providers that have met the criteria laid down by the AHPC for offering such educational and training courses or activities and the word "approved" has a corresponding meaning.
- "Attendance register" is the record of attendees of any form of CPD activity reflecting the names and AHPC PIN of those present and their signatures on completion of the activity.
- "Bioethics and jurisprudence" which includes ethics, human rights, patient's rights and medical law is an understanding of the bioethical principles that determine how practitioners interact with clients and society.
- "Compliance check" is the monitoring of individual practitioners which shall take place at least once a year by means of a randomly selected sample of practitioners from the Allied Health Professional Bodies (AHPB).
- "Continuous professional Development credit points" are the values attached to a learning activity for CPD.
- "Continuous professional development (CPD)" means the continuous education and training referred to in section 3 (h) of Part One of the Health Professions Regulatory Bodies Act, 2013 (Act 857).
- "Deferment" means formal permission sought by the practitioner and granted by the Council to suspend/postpone CPD requirements for a period and to consider conditions for re-entry into practice,

- "Individual CPD activity record" means the CPD Activity Record of the AHP that shall be held by the individual practitioner as a record of every learning activity attended or completed. It shall be accompanied by Attendance.
- "Learning activity/ies" means activities approved by the AHPC for CPD, comprising three levels, namely those encompassing non-measurable outcomes; those with measurable outcomes and those associated with formally structured learning programmes all of which are eligible for approval for CPD and from which CPD Points (CPDP) are obtained.
- "Non-compliance" means the failure of an AHP to obtain the required CPDs per year.
- "Practitioner" means any person registered with the AHPC per the terms in Section 23 of Part One of Health Professions Regulatory Bodies Act, 2013 (Act 857)
- "Recognition of other CPD programme activities" refers to the recognition by the AHPC of other statutory health profession council's programmes for CPD.
- "Deregistration" means to removal of an AHP from the permanent register of Council.
- "Restoration" means restoration of an AHP to the permanent register of Council.
- "Service provider" means any person, institution, body, facility or organization that meets the specified criteria and has been approved by Council in accordance with the provisions of section 3 (h) of Part One of the Health Professions Regulatory Bodies Act, 2013 (Act 857).
- "Validity of CPDs" means the duration of which of CPD point is accepted.

#### 3.0 INTRODUCTION

Through the active and collaborative efforts of the Education and Training Committee of the Council, this CPD guideline has been developed for use by AHPs in Ghana.

Continuous Professional Development (CPD) is a well-thought-out and life-long approach to learning that ensures competence to practice through tested knowledge, skills and practical experience. It consists of any educational and professional activity which helps to maintain, develop or increase stock of knowledge, problem-solving ability, technical skills or professional performance standards aimed at ensuring a high quality and reliable practice of allied health professions in Ghana that assures improved client's health outcome.

The CPD awarded by AHPC may involve any pertinent learning activity, be it formal and structured or informal and self-directed with the goal of achieving significant professional competence of all registered and licensed AHPs. The ultimate goal of AHPC CPD Accreditation is to assure the public of the good standing status of the practitioner as well as assuring both the public and the profession of the continued competence of the practitioner. All professionals are required to demonstrate their commitment to continued competent performance in a framework that is fair, relevant, inclusive, transferable, and formative. This standard protocol document provides the guidelines for a CPD program accredited or awarded by AHPC to fulfill the needs and objectives of continuous learning.

#### Aim

The aim of introducing these harmonized CPD guideline is to ensure that a framework is set out for AHPs to remain up to date in knowledge in respect of changes in health patterns, standard of professional education and practice health sector reforms and technological advances.

#### 4.0 GENERAL OBJECTIVE

This is aimed at enhancing knowledge, develop competency and clinical skills of Allied Health Professionals.

#### **Specific Objectives**

1. To ensure all AHPs carry out current evidence-based practice for improved outcome in the delivery of healthcare.

- 2. To provide documented evidence for the purposes of annual appraisal and recertification by the Council.
- 3. To provide a record of CPD activities for the assessments of the AHPs.
- 4. To identify and plan the needs for continuous training for career development.

#### 5. CPD GUIDELINES

- 1. This guideline is designed to guide all AHPs, professional bodies and institutions in applying for and recording of CPD points obtained from CPD programmes. Please refer to Figure 1.
- 2. AHPC shall receive CPD programme of activities within the last quarter of every year (both soft and hard copies). Please refer to **Format for application of CPD** points (Appendix 1) and Table 2 (for organization only)
- 3. The AHP must record the relevant CPD points in the CPD Log Form when he/she participates in any accredited CPD programme. Please refer to **CPD Log Form** (**Appendix 2**).
- 4. Every year the AHP will submit the CPD Log Form to Council for verification, validation, and recertification.
- 5. The required annual CPD points per the level of the profession are categorized below.

#### **Practitioners**

A practitioner shall be required to accumulate a minimum of 20 Credit Points per annum

or as may be determined by Council from time to time.

#### **Technicians**

A technician shall be required to accumulate a minimum of 15 Credit Points per annum

or as may be determined by Council from time to time.

#### **Assistants**

An assistant will be required to accumulate a minimum of 10 Credit Points per annum

or as may be determined by Council from time to time.

#### 6. CPD ACCREDITATION CERTIFICATE

The Council shall issue CPD Accreditation Certificate to organizations, institutions and professional bodies seeking AHPC CPD Accreditation following full payment of prescribed fees.

#### 7. APPEAL

Any appeal regarding disagreement on points awarded or verification process should be made to the Council.

#### 8.0 Activities for which AHPC CPD Points may be awarded

The under-listed are some activities that AHPC may be awarded CPD Points:

- a) Professionally organized meetings, trainings and conferences
- b) External trainings, workshops, and seminars
- c) National and international congress/conferences:
- d) Presentation at conferences.
- e) Congress/Conference Participation
- f) Scientific Publication in peer reviewed journals
- g) Authorship for non -refereed publication
- h) Verifiable online CPD programme
- i) Outreach services and Voluntary professional community services
- Mentoring activities (Monitoring and supervising pre-registration for attachments
  - or internship)
- k) Being a member of a recognized Professional Associations (As may be determined by the Board)
- 1) CPD facilitators (consider, extra point in addition to the allocated points)
- m) Others (as may be determined by the Board)

#### 9. 0 CPD CREDIT POINT SYSTEM

			CPD CREDIT
ACTIVITY/ DESCRIPTION	DEFINITION	DOCUMENTATION	(MAXIMUM POINT
			FOR CONSIDERATION
Attending Meetings, Conferences,	and Training		
Member of Relevant Allied	Registered Member of	Letter of Good Standing	4 Points (max.)
Professional body	Professional	from Professional body	(man)
	body/Association	Association	
Attendance of Professional World	An in-person structured	Letter/certificate/ of	10 credit points
Congress	program, seminar,	participation, detailed	(maximum)
	workshop, or conference	programme schedule and	
	offered internationally	evidence of travelling for	
		the international	
		conference	
Attendance of Association annual	An in-person structured	Letter/certificate/detailed	5 credit points (max. 3
meeting, conference, seminars,	program, conference,	programme schedule	per year)
Etc.	seminar, etc. offered	professional body	
	through, the association	containing Information	
	or other scientific/	about the event	
	professional body will all		
	qualify for CPD. It is		
	planned as an individual		
	event and designated for		
	credit as a single activity		
Attendance at Association	An in-person structured	Letter/certificate/detailed	3 credit points (max. per
Regional Congress	program, conference,	programme schedule	year)
	seminar, etc. offered	professional body	
	through, the association	containing Information	
	or other scientific/	about the event	
	professional body will all		
	qualify for CPD. It is		
	planned as an individual		
	event and designated for		
	credit as a single activity		
Workshops and Seminars (2hrs-	An accredited training	Letter/certificate/	2 credit points (max. 3
4hrs). Attendance at accredited	workshop is a live CPD	signed attendance from	per year)
training workshops organized by a	activity where the learner	CPD provide containing	

institution),	provided with hands-on	event.	
//	opportunities to improve		
	their job performance		
	through being introduced		
	and practicing techniques		
	with actual equipment. It is		
	planned as an individual		
	event and designated for		
	credit as a single activity.		
Day's Workshops/ Seminars	An accredited training	Letter/certificate/	3 credit points (max. 3
(5hrs-8hrs) Attendance at	workshop is a live CPD	signed attendance from	per year)
accredited training workshops	activity where the learner	CPD provide containing	per year)
		information about the	
organized by a recognized	participates in person and is		
association or by an institution)	provided with hands-on	event	
	opportunities to improve		
	their job performance		
	through being introduced		
	and practicing techniques		
	with actual equipment. It is		
	planned as an individual		
	event and designated for		
	credit as a single activity		
Completion of an online	An online eLearning course	Copy of certificate of	1 point per course event
eLearning course recognized or	that is reviewed and	completion (which	(max. 4 per year)
approved or accredited by Council	accredited by council.	contains the title of the	
	These courses are available	course, learners name	
	"on demand" meaning that	and date of completion	
	there is no specific time		
	designated for		
	participation. Rather, the		
	participant determines		
	when to complete the		
	activity		
Completion of Advanced Certifica	ntions and Degrees	1	1
College/University coursework for	Course must be related to	Copy of Certificate	4 Credit points per
higher level certifications (e.g.,	the professions under		certification (no max.)
PGD)	consideration.		
Master's degree/ Fellowship	Course must be related to	Copy of Certificate	6 credit points per degree
	the professions under		(no max.)
	consideration.		

	Course must be related to	Copy of Certificate	10 Credit points per
Doctoral degree	the professions under		degree (no max.)
	consideration.		
Authoring Publication			
Primary /corresponding Author to	CPD credits are awarded	Copy of	5 credit points per
journal articles of peer-reviewed	for writing articles in peer-	publication	publication (no max.)
publications	reviewed journals in the	publication	publication (no max.)
publications	, and the second		
	professions under		
	consideration for		
	professional associations in		
	the areas of education and		
	management		
Co-Author journal articles for	CPD credits are awarded	Copy of	3 credits point per
peer-reviewed publications	for writing articles in peer-	publication	publication (no max.)
	reviewed journals in the		
	professions under		
	consideration for		
	professional associations in		
	the areas of education and		
	management		
Newspaper publications of	CPD credits are awarded	Copy of publication	3 Credit points per article
professional related articles	for writing articles in		
	newspapers in the		
	professions under		
	consideration for		
	professional associations in		
	the areas of education and		
	management		
Author of a peer-reviewed	CPD credits are awarded	Title page of	10 credits point per book (no
textbook	for writing peer-reviewed	publication and table	max.)
	textbooks in in the	of contents	,
	professions under	containing author	
	consideration	name	
Primary Author/co-Author of a	CPD credits are awarded	A copy of the	6 credits point per
chapter in a peer-reviewed	for writing a chapter in a	textbook	publication (no max.)
textbook	peer-reviewed textbook in		1
	the professions under		
	consideration		
Secondary Author of a chapter in	CPD credits are awarded	A copy of the	3 points per publication (3
Secondary Author of a chapter III	CI D CICUITS AIT AWAITIEU	A copy of the	5 points per publication (5

a peer-reviewed textbook for wri	iting a chapter in a	textbook	max.)
peer-re	eviewed textbook in		
the are	a under		
consid	eration		
Editing a book CPD c	redits are awarded	A copy of the	8 points per publication
for edi	ting published books	textbook	(2max. per year)
in the	area under		
consid	eration		
Author of an association online CPD c	redits are awarded	Copy of the course	6 points per course (3max.
eLearning course for wri	iting course content		per year)
for an	association-		
develo	ped online eLearning		
course			
Primary Author of a research Prepar	ed and delivered, for	Letter from	3 points per publication
presentation the first	st time only. This has	organization that	(3max.per year)
to be b	beyond the scope of	indicates content,	
norma	l work.	length of teaching	
Subsec	quent presentations	time and name of the	
of the	same workshop are	organization	
not aw	arded any credits.		
Co- Author of a research For wo	ork on a	Letter from	3 points per publication (3
presentation presen	tation/workshop that	organization that	max.)
is prep	ared and delivered,	indicates content,	
for the	first time only	length of teaching	
Subsec	quent presentations	time and name of the	
of the	same workshop are	organization	
not aw	arded any credits.		
Attended Scientific Meetings of The sc	ientific paper must	Proof of attendance	2 points per meeting (3 max)
Chapters of Academy/ involve	e any	or proof of	
Universities/ local/ii	nternational	paper/letters	
Colleges/Association/ Institutions/ practit	ioner/academia		
Ministry of Health & other related   b. Sho	uld be able to		
agencies dissem			
knowle	inate new		
	edge, practices and		
method			
	edge, practices and		
curren	edge, practices and ds of improving	Proof of attendance/	2 points per meeting/lecture
Attended CPD sessions/other For wa	edge, practices and ds of improving t practices	logbooks/Any	2 points per meeting/lecture (5 max)
Attended CPD sessions/other For wa	edge, practices and ds of improving t practices and rounds, credit are awarded to		

Ward/Teaching rounds, Clinic			
attendance, Hospital clinical			
meeting, Video show, Video			
conferencing, Reflective Notes,			
Morbidity and mortality reviews,			
Epidemiological reviews			
Presentation at official	These credit points are in	Letter of invitation	
meetings/functions:	addition to full delegate	Proof of participation	2 points per listed activity (3
	attendance at congresses,		max).
a. Plenary lecture/long paper (45	scientific meetings or		However, Public lecture
minutes or more) / free paper	workshops. Otherwise,		shall attract 4 points
/short paper	only credit points for	Proof of presentation	Destan presentation and
b. Poster presentation in related	presentation are attainable.	- 1 or or presentation	Poster presentation and technical briefing shall
field / core business			attract 3 points
c. Others.	Visiting lecture – Where	Letter of invitation	2 CPD Points per activity
i. Visiting lecturer	one is officially invited to	and other proofs of	2 CPD Points per activity
ii. Hospital clinical meetings	give a lecture at venue/	delivery	
iii. CPD Sessions	function away from one's		
iv. Public meetings	principal place of practice.		
v. Public talks			
vi. Lectures to NGOs/ radio or	For poster presentation,	Letter of invitation	
TV talks	credit points are awarded to	and proof of participation	
vii. Technical briefings / updates.	the presenter.	participation	
viii. Clinical audit			
Self-study/ Group study/ case	Documented evidence	Proof of documented	2 per activity (no max)
study / Distance learning e.g.	(with verification) needs to	evidence	
Reading scientific papers from	be produced e.g.:		
indexed journals, Audio-visual,	a) Self-study – Self-		
Organized group discussion under	administered MCQ		
accredited co-coordinator	Documented evidence in		
decreated to coordinator	the form of synopsis/		
	evidence table		
Attended Post-basic courses /	These should be:		a. 3 points
	THESE SHOULD DE.		a. 3 points b. 4 points
further training	a Conducted by1	Proof of completion	c. 5 points
1.2	a. Conducted by relevant	of course	d. 6 points e. 7 points
a. 1-2 weeks	recognized authorities,		
b. 2-4 weeks	local or international		
c. 1-3 months	b. Verified by the CPD		
d. 3-6 months	committee		
e. 6 months to 1 year	Credit points given only		

	once, upon completion of		
	studies		
Involvement as Committee or		Proof of membership/ Participation in	3 per activity (3 max)
project team/member:		committee work	
a. Quality Initiatives e.g., KMK,			
Innovations, TQM,			
Accreditation, ISO, SOP		Due of of wordining diag	
/guidelines (CPG), CPD-PTK,		Proof of participation	
MQA etc			
b. Training activities (as			
facilitator/ trainer)			
c. Technical meetings			
d. Research projects:			
i. Principal researcher			
ii. Collaboration			
Preceptor		Letter of appointment	a. 3 points
a. 1-3 months			b. 5 points c. 10 points
b. 3-6 months			c. To points
c. 6 months -1 year		Letter of appointment	
		Proof of Evidence	20 points
Examiners/moderators		Letter of appointment	2points per activity (3 max)
Review of articles, books, etc			
Masters/PhD supervision		Proof of activity	3 points per activity (3 max)
_			2 points per activity (3 max)
External Assessor for			
thesis/dissertation			3 points per activity (3 max)
Review of program/curricular for			3 points per activity (max. 3)
AHPC/GTEC			
	<u>l</u>	l	

#### 10.0. Application for CPD

Institutions/Organization/ Professional Bodies among others that intend to apply for a CPD credit point must follow the procedures outlined in the CPD flowchart below (Figure 1)

Figure 1: Flowchart of the CPD Information

Figure 1: Flowchart Submission of CPD application in the last quarter of the year. Approval of CPD application & issuing of approval letter. Applying institution/organization is informed on the number of CPD points gained Payment of application processing fees Running of the approved CPD programme. Payment of quota of proceeds to AHPC/ Submission of certified list of participants to AHPC. AHP Logs into the CPD Log Forms Submits the CPD Log Form to Council for verification, validation, and recertification. End

The CPD activities must follow the format in Table 2 below. Please note that CPD applications should be submitted three (3) months prior to the execution of the programme (both hard and soft copy)

**Table 2: Sample CPD Activity Form** 

DAY/ TIME	OBJECTIVE/PURPOSE	ACTIVITY	EXPECTED OUTCOME	Facilitators, Name, Title (Attach Summarized résumé)
8:00- 900		Opening		
		sessions		
		Session 1 (topic/		
		briefly explain)		
9:00-12:00		Cerebral palsy		Facilitator for This Topic
12:10-		Break		
12:45				

Please indicate contact Person from the Professional Body/ Organizations, etc. Address Phone number, email etc.)

#### 11. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

Inspectors/Monitors shall be appointed by Council for each Region. They shall be responsible for monitoring, supervising, and inspecting CPD programmes in the region in addition to other responsibilities as may be determined by Council.

The Officer appointed shall be required to submit written reports periodically as may be determined by Council. The person so appointed shall be compensated as may be determined by Council from time to time.

#### 12. COMPLIANCE

Compliance of CPD programmes shall be enforced according to Part 1 of the Health Professions Regulatory Bodies Act, 2013 (Act 857)

#### 12.0 Compliance Verification for participants

**Individual practitioners** shall ensure that they are in possession of the standard certificate of attendance for every activity that they have attended. They shall **Note:** 

For all activities, certificates of attendance or certified attendance list, or other evidence for verification are required

Council may conduct compliance verification of individual practitioners at least once a year on a randomly selected sample of practitioners.

When an individual practitioner is **selected for compliance verification**, he/she is obliged to forward the Individual Activity Record as per **Appendix...** that may have been obtained during the CPD cycle under review **to the Registrar within 21 days** on receipt of notification.

**The required documents** may be submitted in one of the following ways:

- a. Paper copies: Send by registered mail to The Registrar, AHPC, PO Box KB 943, Korle Bu, Accra, Tel:
- b. By hand delivery to the Registrar, Korle Bu Teaching Hospital, Accra, or
- c. Electronic copies: Send to the AHPC email address: registrar@ahpcghana.org
- **12.2 Non-compliance** with any CPD requirement is an act or omission in respect of which Council may take disciplinary action in accordance with Health Professions Regulatory Bodies Act, 2013 (Act 857)

#### 12.3 Penalty for Non- Compliance

It is illegal to practice without a valid license. Section 21(g) of the Health Professions Regulatory Bodies Act, 2013 (Act 857) shall apply as penalty for practicing without a valid professional license.

The relevant Professional Committee of the Board will investigate the reasons for non-compliance by any practitioner, after which such non-compliant practitioner's record will be subject to review and for a decision as to appropriate action. The following actions may be taken:

- a. A letter shall be sent to the non-compliant practitioner requesting a reason for the noncompliance. A practitioner shall be required to furnish the Council with a letter of explanation within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of the letter
- b. Should the explanation be acceptable, the practitioner will be given six (6) months to comply with CPD. Evidence of such compliance must be received by the Council within two weeks of the end of the six-month period.
- c. Failure to comply with the requirement, the named AHP will be forwarded Disciplinary Committee of the AHPC for further action.

The Disciplinary Committee may take any of the following action among others including action as recommended to the AHPC by any inquiring body after a disciplinary hearing and constituted as per Section 148 (5) of the HPRBA, 2013 of Ghana.

- a) A remedial programme of Continuous education and training as specified by the Council.
- b) An examination as determined by the Council.
- c) Suspension from practice for a period as determined by the Council; or

#### 13. EXEMPTION

An AHP who is on extended leave for more than 12 months may apply in writing for exemption from CPD requirements.

#### 14.0 WEIGHTS OF PRIORITY

Clinically focused workshops irrespective of setting shall attract favorable consideration in awarding CPD credit points than General professional training workshops.

Personal Professional Development programs in leadership and management from selected credible local and foreign training programs and institutions to attract priority to fill in the leadership and management gaps.

Groups and institutions providing such programs are to be identified and listed as such service providers. Therefore, such programs would be recognized but not on the basis of Council's accreditation as non-Council accredited program (foreign and local).

In Council mutual recognition approach, AHPC may recognize CPD points awarded to qualified and registered professionals by credible practice regulatory bodies (both local and abroad) on case-by-case basis.

#### 15.0 CPD FACILITATORS

The Professional Bodies and institutions/organizations who are organizing accredited CPD programmes would choose facilitators depending on the subject area. They need not necessarily be staff of the CPD provider.

The following are examples of categories of facilitators:

- a) Professional specialists in various fields
- b) Management consultants
- c) Legal experts
- d) Educational Expects
- e) Public health officers
- f) Library and information and communication technology experts

#### 16.0 FEES CHARGEABLE

- 1. The Professional Bodies and Institutions/Organizations seeking to run a CPD programme shall be required to pay an annual accreditation fee approved by Council within the last quarter of the year in order to be entered into Council's CPD Accreditation Register.
- 2. They shall also be required to pay for the CPD point awarded by the Council including the application fees.
- 3. Professional Bodies etc. should charge a reasonably low rate to encourage active participation in CPD programmes.

#### 17.0 COLLABORATION

Individuals or professional bodies with approved partnership shall remit a percentage of such workshop fees paid by participants to Council. Council reserves the right to waive off payment

of this gross proceeds for less endowed professional bodies.

Where Council provides the facilitators, its certificates and supervise the CPD programme it shall attract a 50% of gross proceeds of the programme

Where the Council provides its certificates and supervisor to the CPD it shall attract 25% of gross proceeds.

The Council shall ensure strict supervision and the Registrar countersigned the certificate of participation.

#### 18. DEFERMENT

- 16.1 A practitioner may apply for deferment of the requirements of the CPD programme and the CPD Committee will review such applications individually on an *ad hoc* basis. The application shall be accompanied by a substantive motivation from the practitioner with appropriate documentary evidence.
- 18.2 Deferment may be granted to a practitioner under the following circumstances:
  - **a**. a practitioner, who is outside Ghana for a period exceeding twelve (12) months **and** is not practicing his/her profession.
  - **b**. a practitioner, who is outside Ghana and practicing in a country where formal CPD does not take place; or a practitioner who is registered for an additional qualification but is of the view that he/she will not meet the outcome within two years and thus will not be able to claim CPDs.
- 18.3 Deferment may be granted for a maximum period of three (3) years but will not be granted for a period of less than twelve (12) months.
  - Deferment may be granted on health-related conditions. These include complications during pregnancies, accidents and among other related health conditions that may limit the ability of the professional to travel.
- 18.4 Any practitioner mentioned in the above paragraphs wishing to re-enter the system after deferment will be subject to the following conditions:
  - a. If deferment was granted for more than twelve (12) months but less than two years, proof of full employment in the profession during that time shall be submitted and the practitioner shall, on review by the CPD Committee, be allowed to recommence the CPD year immediately.
  - b. If deferment was granted for more than two (2) years, but less than three (3) years, the practitioner shall submit proof of his/her employment during that time and the

practitioner shall, on the recommendation of the CPD Committee, be required to complete a period of supervised practice/competence assessment as determined by the CPD Committee in his/her area of practice and will recommence the CPD year immediately.

- c. If deferment was granted for longer than twelve (12) months and the practitioner did not practice his/her profession during the deferment period, he/she will be required to notify the Registrar in writing.
- d. Any other condition as may be determined by Council

#### 19. CATEGORIZATION OF CPD REQUIREMENTS

#### Category A (50%)

This category relates directly to an individuals' professional practice area, specialization and/or sub-specialization. Some of the courses may have to be structured and come with a complimentary practical or hands-on session to be physically attended.

#### Category B (30%)

This of category of CPD activities are needed for quality and safe practices including but not limited to CPR, health law and ethics, infection control and universal precautions, fire safety, etc,

#### Category C (20%)

This relates to educational experiences that may provide valuable learning for the professional. Examples of such activities include but not limited to preceptorships, research, report writing, scientific writing, health talks etc





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#### CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

#### ATTENDANCE SHEET

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# CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INDIVIDUAL CPD MONITORING AND EVALUATION FORM

#### Administration/Background Information:

Please rate using a scale of 1–5

(when	reby <u>1</u> is Excellent,	2 is Very	good, 3 is	Good, 4 is Satisf	factory a	and 5 is Poor)		
1.	Is this the only CI	PD Trainir	ng course ti	hat you have atte	ended?			
	Yes:					No:		
2.	Did you receive y	our travel	instruction	ns / air ticket wel	ll in adv	ance?		
	Yes:					No:		
	Who provided the	ticket for	you?	_				
	Office				An	nerican Express		
	Any Travel Ager	ncy			Otl	hers		
3.	Did you have pro	blems or d	ifficulties	in applying for o	or receiv	ing a proper visa'	?	
	Yes:					No:		
	If yes, please desc	cribe.						
4.	Did you receive advance so that you						ng cours	e well in
	Yes:					No:		

5. If yes, was it adequate and did it help you to achieve more from the course?

	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
6.	How would you rate	e the overall course a	dministration:	4:	5:
<u>Objec</u> 7.	ctives:  Were the aims and o	objectives of the cour	rse clearly explained a	nd defined?	
	Yes:			No:	
8.	If yes, did the traini	ng objectives clearly	tell you what was imp	portant to learn during	
	1:	2.	5.	4:	5:
9.	How well did the tr	aining course meet its	s stated objectives?		
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
<u>Tech</u>	nical Content/Cours	e Conduct:			
10.	The technical conte	nt of the course was:			
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
11.	How relevant were	the course topics to y	our work?		
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
12.	The quality of the p	ractical, work cases o	or laboratory training	at the course were:	
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
13.	The overall course of	duration was sufficie	nt to achieve the learn	ing objectives:	
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:

14.	The time schedule	d for each session/me	odule was adequate:		
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
15.	Prior to the course	, your knowledge of	the subjects presented	d was:	
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
16.	After the course, y	our knowledge in the	ese subjects improved	1:	
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
17.	Course handouts w	vere easily understoo	od and of high quality:	:	
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
18.	Audio/Visual aids	at the course were:			
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
19.	The course facilities	es were:			
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
20.	How conducive to	learning were the ro	oms where training w	vas held?	
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
21.	Was the level of te	eaching at your level	?		
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
22.	The course instruc	tors demonstrated a	thorough knowledge a	and understanding of	their subject:
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
23.	The presentations	at the course related	theoretical knowledge	e concepts to real life	situations:
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:

24.	The guidance by training personnel during training was:					
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
<u>Imm</u>	ediate Impact:					
25.	How well were	your personal expectat	tions of the course me	et?		
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
26.	How capable do	you feel in performin	g these tasks at your l	nome facility?		
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
27.	The course will	help your performance	e at work:			
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
28.	Immed Within Within Within All the Regula Occasio Never:	6 months:  1 year:  3 years:  time: rly: onally:		the training?		
29.	How would you  1:	rate the course overal  2:	3:	4:	5:	
30.	Further commen	ts: (including main str	rengths and weakness	es of course)		






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# CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SUPERVISORS CPD MONITORING AND EVALUATION

Pleas	e rate using a scal	e of 1–5				
(Whe	reby <u>1</u> is Excellent	, 2 is Very good, 3 i	s Good, 4 is Satisfacto	ery and 5 is Poor)		
Namo	e of Supervisor				•••••	
Cont	act address	••••••		•••••	•••••	
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Profe	ession	•••••		•••••	••••	
Pleas	e verify the follow	ving.				
Namo	e of the facilitator	s as captured in the	e accreditation applic	ation		
<u>Objec</u>	ctives:					
7.	Were the aims and	d objectives of the c	ourse clearly explained	d and defined?		
	Yes:			No:		
8.	If yes, did the trai	ning objectives clea	rly tell you what was i	mportant to learn duri	ng the cours	e?
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
9.	How well did the	training course mee	et its stated objectives?			
	1.	2.	3.	<i>A</i> ·	5.	

<u>Technical Content/Course Conduct:</u>

10.	The technical content of the course was:					
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
11.	How relevant were	the course topics to t	he area under conside	ration?		
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
12.	The quality of the p	oractical, work cases	or laboratory training	at the course were:		
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
13.	The overall course	duration was sufficie	nt to achieve the learn	ning objectives:		
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
14.	The time scheduled	l for each session/mo	dule was adequate:			
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
17.	Course handouts w	ere easily understood	and of high quality:			
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
18.	Audio/Visual aides	at the course were:				
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
19.	The physical facilit	ties were:				
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
20.	How conducive to	learning were the roo	ms where training wa	s held?		
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	
21.	Was the level of te	aching at the required	level?			
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:	

22. The course instructors demonstrated a thorough knowledge and understanding of their subject:

	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
23.	The presentations a	at the course related th	neoretical knowledge c	concepts to real life situ	nations:
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
24.	The guidance by pr	ractical training person	nnel during training w	as:	
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
29.	How would you rate	te the course overall:			
	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
30.	Further comments:	(including main stren	ngths and weaknesses	of course)	
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