

**(Effective January 1, 2025)**

**WAC 246-821-510 Qualifying continuing education and other professional development activities.** (1) Qualifying continuing education (CE) for a behavioral health support specialist must:

- (a) Be relevant to the profession; and
  - (b) Contribute to the advancement and enhancement of their professional competence.
- (2) Activities primarily designed to increase practice income or office efficiency are not eligible for CE credit.
- (3) Acceptable CE must be approved by an industry-recognized local, state, national, or international organization or institution of higher learning under WAC 246-821-520.
- (4) Distance learning must require tests of comprehension upon completion to qualify as CE.
- (5) Qualifying activities that count toward CE requirements include programs, courses, seminars, and workshops.
- (6) All documentation must include the dates the continuing education activity took place, the number of hours of CE credit, and, if appropriate, the title of the course, the location of the course, and the name of the instructor. If the activity's relevance to the profession is not apparent based on the title, the BHSS shall submit documentation describing the content.
- (7) A BHSS shall maintain CE documentation for at least six years.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.227.020, chapter 18.227 RCW, and 2023 c 270. WSR 24-21-083, s 246-821-510, filed 10/16/24, effective 1/1/25.]