



AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION

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## AOA Division of Client and Member Services/Customer Resource Center

### FORMAL REQUEST FOR AOA CATEGORY 1-A CME CREDIT FOR OSTEOPATHIC SPECIALISTS/SUBSPECIALISTS WITH LESS THAN 300 CERTIFICATE HOLDERS\*

This form is to request conversion of allopathic CME programs that would typically be granted AOA Category 2-A credit to AOA Category 1-A credit. **Home Study Courses are Not Applicable.**

The AOA encourages its Category 1 CME Sponsors to explore and implement on-line, interactive Category 1-A CME programs, and to develop other innovative approaches for delivering relevant, high quality Category 1-A CME for specialty/subspecialty certificate holders.

In July 2008, the AOA Board of Trustees approved a resolution to assist specialists and subspecialists to obtain AOA Category 1-A credit, in recognition that members of the AOA, who hold specialty or subspecialty certificates in those specialties with less than 300 certificate holders and may have difficulty accruing the necessary AOA 1-A credits required for licensure or board certification,

AOA members practicing in these approved specialties may convert **a maximum of 15 CME credits per cycle** of AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ or Prescribed Credit from the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) to AOA Category 1A credit to complete their CME requirement for AOA Board Certification or state licensure renewal, if applicable.

To qualify for AOA Category 1-A CME credit under this policy the following criteria must be met:

1. Osteopathic physician that is a current must be a member of the AOA;
2. Physicians must be AOA and/or ABMS certified;
3. The specialty/subspecialty must be listed as a qualifying specialty. A list of specialties and subspecialties with less than 300 certified members is available on the AOA website at [www.osteopathic.org](http://www.osteopathic.org). The specialty/subspecialty list is provided at the beginning of each 3-year cycle. It will not be changed until the next CME cycle.

Physician Information	
Full Name:	
AOA Number:	
Email Address:	
Phone Number:	
Specialty:	
Program Information	
Name of program (Certificate of attendance):	
Date of program:	
Name of Sponsoring Organization:	
Please complete the following questions regarding the request for AOA Category 1-A credit:	
1. Was this program accredited with AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ or approved by the AAFP?	Yes    No
2. Number of credits Earned:	
3. Are you a current member of the AOA?	4. Membership Expiration Date:
Signature of requestor: Date:	

- PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM WITH THIS REQUEST
- Submit this form and supporting documentation by fax: (312) 202-8202 or email: [crc@osteopathic.org](mailto:crc@osteopathic.org)

#### Other:

- Home study such as Journal Reading, Enduring Material and other Internet-based materials are not eligible.
- This policy does not apply to Certificate of Added Qualification (CAQ's) or ABMS subspecialties equivalent to the AOA CAQ.
- A maximum of 15 CME credits per cycle may be awarded. Any credits over the limit will be awarded AOA Category 2A credit.
- There is no charge for this service.
- In the event that insufficient material to make a decision is not received, additional information may be requested.