Continuing Education Options

To maintain CSRS certification, 16 hours of continuing education (CE) specific to stroke is required every two years.

If audited, applicants must submit evidence of continuing education hours. Approved documentation may include continuing education unit transcripts or letters from national organizations, college transcripts or proof of attendance at in-services, seminars or workshops.

Approved continuing education options for CSRS requirements are:

- **Attendance or presentations at state and national conferences** with lectures related to stroke or neuro-rehabilitation. One hour of contact or instruction equals one hour of continuing education.

- **College or university courses** related to stroke (contact hours can equal no more than 50 percent of required CE contact hours). One course can equal four continuing education hours, if at least four hours of instruction were specific to stroke rehabilitation.

- **Facility in-services** related to stroke (in-services, lectures or workshops provided within the work environment). One hour of contact or instruction equals one hour of continuing education.

- **Webinars** that are professionally oriented and related to stroke. National Stroke Association sponsors webinars on various topics related to stroke. Experts in designated fields from around the country conduct the webinars. Get the latest program information at [www.stroke.org/meded](http://www.stroke.org/meded).

- **Published articles.** Authors of stroke rehabilitation-related articles can apply credits toward their CE requirement. Peer reviewed journals are preferred but not required. Newsletter articles do not apply. Primary authors can receive three contact hours per article; secondary authors can receive two contact hours.

- **Research activities** (therapists contributing to a research project focusing on stroke rehabilitation). A letter from the primary investigator of the published research article must be submitted for credit. One contact hour will be awarded for each project.