



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

The following are answers to frequently asked questions about continuing medical education at Wills Eye Hospital. If you have a concern that is not addressed here, please [email us](#).

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WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO CLAIM CME CREDIT FOR ATTENDING AN AACR CONFERENCE?

Physicians (MD and DO) can receive a CME certificate by submitting a CME Request for Credit Survey after completion of the activity. Non-physicians may request a participation certificate by completing a CME Request for Credit Survey. Participation hours in this educational event may satisfy licensing requirements for certain specialties.

HOW CAN I CLAIM CME CREDIT FOR ATTENDING A WILLS EYE CONFERENCE?

For an approved list of CME-designated Wills Eye conferences, please visit our [Conferences Page](#). All individuals requesting continuing medical education credits must complete a CME Request for Credit Survey available online after the completion of the activity.

HOW CAN I CLAIM MOC POINTS FOR ATTENDING A WILLS EYE CONFERENCE?

Wills Eye Hospital supports physicians' commitment to lifelong learning through activities that offer CME credit and maintenance of certification (MOC) points. American Board of Ophthalmology MOC points are available for most Wills Eye CME conferences. Please see the conference website for more information.





WHEN WILL I RECEIVE MY CME CERTIFICATE?

After completion of the Request for Credit Survey, certificates for the CME activity may be printed online or emailed to yourself right away.

WHAT IS CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME)?

According to the [definition of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education \(ACCME\)](#), Continuing Medical Education consists of educational activities which serve to maintain, develop or increase the knowledge, skills, and professional performance and relationships that a physician uses to provide services for patients, the public, or the profession. The content of CME is that body of knowledge and skills generally recognized and accepted by the profession as within the basic medical sciences, the discipline of clinical medicine and the provision of health care to the public.

HOW CAN I FIND MY STATE'S CME REQUIREMENTS?

[Visit the appropriate licensing agency website](#) to view the state-specific requirements for that board.





WHO ACCREDITS CME PROVIDERS?

The [Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education \(ACCME\)](#) has been in existence since 1981 and is an independent accreditation body for institutions and organizations that provide CME for physicians. The purpose of the ACCME is “the identification, development, and promotion of standards for quality CME utilized by physicians in their maintenance of competence and incorporation of new knowledge, in order to improve quality medical care for patients and their communities.”

There are [\(7\) member organizations](#) of the ACCME:

- American Board of Medical Specialties;
- American Hospital Association;
- American Medical Association;
- Association of American Medical Colleges;
- Association for Hospital Medical Education;
- Council for Medical Specialty Societies; and
- Federation of State Medical Boards of the U.S.

For more information about the ACCME, visit its [website](#).

QUESTIONS ABOUT CME?

Please contact the Wills Eye Hospital Office of CME at 215-440-3169, continuingeducation@willseye.org, or see the educational partner staff onsite at the conference for assistance.

