



JOINT ACCREDITATION™
INTERPROFESSIONAL CONTINUING EDUCATION

Welcome

Dear Jointly Accredited Providers:

Joint Accreditation for Interprofessional Continuing Education™ is introducing a newsletter to address consistent provider inquiries, announcements, upcoming meetings and technology updates:

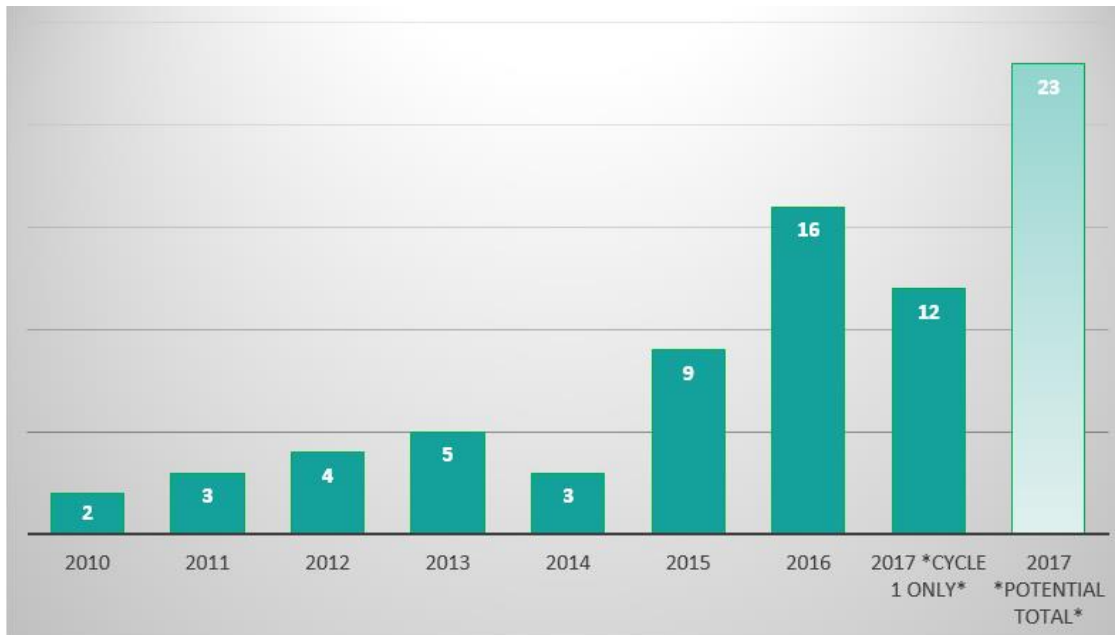
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1. Joint Accreditation Provider Growth

As of August 1, 2017, **54** providers in total have successfully achieved Joint Accreditation and **15** new applicants are currently undergoing the Joint Accreditation Cycle 2 2017 review process.

Below is a graph depicting annual growth within the Joint Accreditation collaborative since the accreditation's inception in 2010:



2. Updates

Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE) Credit and Mark

In response to requests from jointly accredited providers and other stakeholders, and in recognition of the contributions of interprofessional continuing education (IPCE) to improving the quality of patient care, the Joint Accreditors have developed an **optional** credit mark that can be used to identify an activity as one that has been planned by and for the healthcare team. Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE) credits for learning and change can be provided to the learners who, in turn, can use the credits to demonstrate to their stakeholders that they are engaged in activities that are:

- Offered by an organization that is jointly accredited by the ACCME, ACPE, and ANCC;
- Planned *by* the interprofessional team *for* the interprofessional team of learners;
- Based on professional practice gaps of the healthcare team;
- Independent of commercial interests;
- Based on valid content;
- Designed and evaluated for changes in skills, performance, or patient outcomes of the healthcare team.

Effective immediately and *in addition* to the Joint Accreditation Statement, providers that are jointly accredited by the ACCME, ACPE, and ANCC may include the following credit mark and statement with their IPCE activities. The IPCE credit mark and statement of credits can be included on certificates of participation or other meeting material as determined by the jointly accredited provider.



“This activity was planned by and for the healthcare team, and learners will receive (INSERT #) Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE) credits for learning and change.”

Joint Accreditation Criteria require that IPCE activities reflect practice-based needs and utilize the educational modality most appropriate to the expected results. Activities may be designed to allow learners to participate at their own pace and/or over a period of time. Therefore, IPCE credits should be calculated by the jointly accredited provider based on the estimated time allotted for the education.

For more information regarding usage of IPCE credit and credit mark, please click [here](#).

To view and download the IPCE credit mark, please click [here](#).
To request a different format or color of the IPCE credit mark, please contact info@jointaccreditation.org.

Usage of the Joint Accreditation Mark and Provider Statement

All Jointly Accredited providers are required to use the Joint Accreditation mark and associated provider statement on all activity announcements and any content directly relating to the CE activity (certificates, educational materials, etc.). The mark and statement must be used together on both interprofessional and single profession CE materials.

There are two accreditation statements, one for directly provided activities and another for jointly provided activities:

1. The appropriate Joint Accreditation statement must be used in conjunction with the Joint Accreditation mark to learners prior to the start of each educational activity (e.g. activity announcements, etc.) and on the certificate of completion if one is provided. The following accreditation statement in close conjunction with the Joint Accreditation mark to be used:



“In support of improving patient care, [Insert name of Joint Accredited Provider] is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.”

2. If an activity is planned, implemented and evaluated by two or more organizations and one of the organizations is jointly accredited, the accreditation statement in close conjunction with the Joint Accreditation mark to be used is:



“In support of improving patient care, this activity has been planned and implemented by _____ and _____. [Insert name of Joint Accredited Provider] is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.”

For additional guidance surrounding the Joint Accreditation mark and statement, or to download the Joint Accreditation mark, please click [here](#). To request a different format or color of the Joint Accreditation mark, please email info@jointaccreditation.org.

3. Meetings

June 9th, 2017 Leadership Summit

The Joint Accreditors hosted the 3rd Joint Accreditation Leadership Summit at the new ACCME offices in Chicago, IL on Friday, June 9th. The summit had over 60 attendees representing 30 jointly accredited providers. The summit's keynote speaker was Scott Reeves, PhD, MSc, PGCE, BSc, professor in Interprofessional Research at Kingston University and St. George's University of London and is acting Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Interprofessional Care.

Dr. Reeves highlighted how providers can contribute and disseminate research on what makes teams and patient care more effective and how Interprofessional Continuing Education can support these efforts. Dr. Reeves discussed opportunities to bridge the continuum of health professions education around exemplary practices and research.

The National Center for Interprofessional Practice and Education (NCIPE)/NEXUS and Loyola University Chicago presented their interprofessional journeys.

Attendees broke out into brainstorming groups, with each group discussing one of the 13 Joint Accreditation criteria and best practices surrounding that criterion. Each group took notes during their discussion and presented their findings back to the summit.

The summit provided networking opportunities and collegial discussion through the sharing of practices, program barriers and program strengths.

Upcoming Workshops

Joint Accreditation's next workshop, *Getting Started with Joint Accreditation*, will be hosted at the ACCME offices in Chicago, IL on **Tuesday, October 17th, 2017**. This workshop will be focusing on new applicants going through the application process.

To **sign up** for the *Getting Started with Joint Accreditation* workshop, please click [here](#).

To review all upcoming events, please click [here](#) to view the Joint Accreditation website's Education and Meetings page.

4. Technology

COMING SOON!

Joint Accreditation Activity Reporting System

The Joint Accreditors are excited to announce the coming release of the Joint Accreditation Activity Reporting System this Fall 2017. The Joint Accreditation Activity reporting System (JA-ARS) is a web-based portal designed to streamline and support the collection of program and activity data from Joint Accredited Providers. Joint Accreditation will use the information in JA-ARS to evaluate/support provider accreditation criterion and will use data from JA-ARS to produce annual reports as a service to Joint Accredited Organizations and other stakeholders. This system will replace the current Annual Reporting for individual Accreditation via ANCC, ACPE and ACCME.

Joint Accredited organizations will have the ability to enter, in JA-ARS, activity data related to accredited activities provided where CE credit and/or contact hours were awarded for activities provided by individual professions - ANCC, ACPE, and ACCME.

This database is currently being beta tested and will be available soon.

Please contact Joint Accreditation staff with any additional questions at info@jointaccreditation.org or (312) 664-3575.