

**Kentucky Board of Nursing
Mandated Continuing Education for Licensure Renewal**

LPNs and RNs are required to earn fourteen (14) contact hours (CH) of continuing education from an approved provider of CE each year for licensure renewal

Required CE	# Contact Hours (CH)	How Often The CE Must Be Earned	How Long To Retain in Your Records	Source
Domestic Violence	Three (3) CH These hours may count as part of the required 14 contact hours of CE needed for licensure renewal	One-time only requirement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must earn within 3 years of obtaining a KY license, unless: • A graduate from a Kentucky program of nursing after May 1998; this course was included in the curriculum. 	Retain documentation until you retire your license	KRS 194A.540
Pediatric Abusive Head Trauma (Shaken Baby Syndrome)	One and a half (1.5) CH These hours may count as part of the required 14 contact hours of CE needed for licensure renewal	One-time only requirement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must earn within 3 years of obtaining a KY license, unless: • A graduate from a Kentucky program of nursing after December 2011; this course was included in the curriculum. 	Retain documentation until you retire your license	KRS 314.073(6) 201 KAR 20:215 Section 5(3)

Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE)

Sexual Assault Forensic Medicine, or Domestic Violence	Five (5) CH These hours may count as part of the required 14 contact hours of CE needed for licensure renewal	Each earning period November 1 st – October 31 st	Retain for at least 5 years	201 KAR 20:411 Section 8
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Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN)

APRNs may use their national nursing certification to satisfy the fourteen (14) contact hours (CH) needed for RN license renewal, as long as the certification was initially attained during the licensure period, has been in effect during the entire licensure period, or has been renewed during the licensure period.

APRN - Pharmacology CE requirement	Five (5) CH	Each earning period November 1 st – October 31 st	Retain for at least 5 years	KRS 314.073(8) 201 KAR 20:215 Section 5(1)(a)
APRNs with a CAPA-CS	One and a half (1.5) CH on the use of KASPER, pain management, or addiction disorders	Each earning period November 1 st – October 31 st These hours may count as part of the required 5 CE contact hours needed in pharmacology for APRN licensure renewal	Retain for at least 5 years	KRS 218A.205(3)(i) 201 KAR 20:215 Section 5(1)(b)