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Dear Members:

I have some very exciting news for you. I have arranged with EMA Licensing to allow CME credits for our members who volunteer for Public Education events.

Here are the rules and regulations around claiming CME credits for Public Education Volunteer hours:

1. You must involve the public in some sort of medical and/or first aid demo or safety instruction time. IE: CPR/first aid demo; water safety instruction; winter/ice hazards; seniors' trip hazards at home, etc.
2. We are asking that you are honest with the CME reporting hours you claim. We don't want to lose these Public Education credits, as they will help members recruit volunteers for community events. As a measure of accuracy, the PE Event Co-ordinator will review CME submissions for each particular event.
3. You must fill in a summary of the event, which I will keep in the case of EMA Licensing needing confirmation for the hours being claimed by the member.
4. You will receive one credit for every hour you volunteer and will need to attach the Public Education Volunteer form when claiming CME credits to EMA licensing. This form will be available on the APBC site under both the Public Education section and Forms.

I hope that this new opportunity to earn CME credits will motivate members to come and participate in upcoming Public Education events in communities all over the province. With your help, we can help raise public awareness of both safety and our profession.

You can read more here: <http://www.apbc.ca/members-area/information/public-education/>.

If you have an idea for a Public Education event in your community, please let us know at: public.ed@apbc.ca.

Happy Volunteering.

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