



National CPD Program for Healthcare Practitioners

Department of Healthcare Professions
Accreditation Section

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Objectives

By the end of this seminar, participants will be able to:

- Recognize **different types & formats of CPD activities** in the National CPD framework.
- Describe the **various DHP-AS CPD requirements**.
- Demonstrate how to record CPD activities in the CPD **e-portfolio**.
- Explain the **CPD appeal processes** for specific cases.

National CPD Program Launch: March 7, 2016

March 2016							Ad Doha, Qatar						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Feb 28	29	Mar 1	2	3	4	5							
6	7 Launch of the National CME/CPD Accreditation System	8	9	10	11	12							
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1. Who is required to participate in the CPD Program?

Who is required to participate in the CPD Program?

- **All licensed healthcare practitioners (except resident and fellow physicians and dentists in structured training) in part-time or full-time practice are required to participate in the CPD program for sustaining (renewal of) licensure.**

Physicians

Nurses

Dentists

Pharmacists

Allied Health
Professionals

Complementary
Health
Professionals

FAQS

FAQ

Are non-practicing clinicians in the State of Qatar required to participate in the CPD Program?

- Exemptions from participating in the CPD Program are only granted to healthcare practitioners who are **retired** from clinical practice and **non-licensed**.
- **Licensed** healthcare practitioners who do not have clinical care roles but are **engaged in healthcare administration, research or education** must participate in the CPD Program.

FAQ

Are healthcare Practitioners in training required to participate in the CPD program?

All licensed healthcare practitioners (**including healthcare practitioners in training**) are required to participate in the National CPD program **EXCEPT Resident and Fellow healthcare practitioners (Physicians & Dentists)** in structured training programs.



2. National CPD Framework

DHP-AS: CPD Framework

Learning activities are organized into three categories:

- Category 1: Accredited Group Learning Activities
- Category 2: Self-Directed Learning Activities
- Category 3: Assessment Activities

CPD Framework Table

Description	CPD Activities	Credit Rating	Supporting Documentation Requirements
Category 1 - Accredited Group Learning Activities			
<i>Activities that have been deemed to meet a set of administrative, educational and ethical standards established by the Department of Healthcare Professions (DHP-AS)</i>	Conferences, symposia, seminars and workshops Educational rounds (including morning report in healthcare facilities, Grand rounds, Morbidity and Mortality rounds, tumor boards and case-based discussions) Journal clubs Online synchronous OR blended learning activities	1 credit/hour	Certificate of attendance or letter describing the total hours / credits completion from the responsible organization
Category 2 - Self-Directed Learning Activities			
Clinical Practice <i>Self-learning activities are planned and implemented by a health care practitioner to: address needs related to clinical practice</i>	Answering self-identified clinical questions	0.5 credits/hour	Document these self-learning activities in the CPD ePortfolio or (where applicable) the provision of a transcript from a third party
	Reading journals, books or monographs	1 credit/hour	
	Completing self-learning modules	1 credit/hour	
	Viewing podcasts or webcasts	0.5 credits/hour	
Education and Training <i>address needs related to engaging in education and training</i>	Postgraduate degrees or diploma programs recognized by a relevant professional body	25 credits/semester or course	Transcript of the course from the responsible organization
	Preparation for formal teaching activities	2 credits/hour	Teaching schedule from the responsible organization or academic institution
	Development of assessment tools or activities (including Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE), MCQ or short answer questions)	2 credits/hour	Letter describing participation in the development of assessment tools or activities from the responsible organization
	Preparation for Mentoring students, trainees, or peers	1 credit/hour	Letter from the responsible organization
Research and Quality Improvement <i>address needs related to engaging in research and quality improvement</i>	Development of a research grant or peer-reviewed publication	1 credit/hour	Letter of acceptance of a grant or publication or letter of participation in peer review or participation in CQI from the organization, journal or healthcare facility
	Peer review of a clinical practice	1 credit/hour	
	Peer review for journals or research grants	1 credit/hour	
	Participating in or leading quality improvement projects	10 credits/project	
Category 3 - Assessment Activities			
<i>Activities provide individual, or groups of healthcare practitioners, or inter-professional health teams, with data and feedback on their knowledge, competence or performance. All accredited assessment programs, activities, or instruments must meet the standards established by the DHP-AS.</i>	Accredited Assessment	2 credits/hour	Certificate, letter or report of completion or participation from the responsible organization
	Knowledge assessment programs		
	Simulation Clinical audits Multi-source feedback Direct observation of procedures or performance in practice		
	Other Assessment		
Feedback from annual performance review	2 credits/hour	Summary of feedback from the responsible organization	
Feedback on teaching effectiveness			

Category 1: Accredited Group Learning Activities

- **Category 1 Activities include:**
 - Conferences, symposia, seminars and workshops
 - Educational Rounds (examples are Grand Rounds, morning reports, M&M, case-based discussions)
 - Journal Clubs
 - Online synchronous OR blended learning activities.
- **Credit Rating:**
 - 1 credit per hour of participation
- **Supporting Documentation:**
 - Certificate of Attendance from the responsible organization

Category 1: Accredited Group Learning Activities (Cont.)

**Group learning activities are considered as
Category 1**

ONLY IF

Accredited by

DHP-AS or DHP-accredited CPD providers
(if conducted in the state of Qatar)

or

DHP-AS recognized International accreditation body
(if conducted outside Qatar)

Category 2: Self-Directed Learning Activities

- **3 Sub-domains: Self-learning related to:**
 - Clinical practice
 - Education and training
 - Research and Quality Improvement
- **All self-directed learning activities are initiated or planned by each healthcare practitioner.**
- **Credit Rating:**
 - Varies according to the type of activity
- **Supporting Documentation:**
 - Varies based on type of activity

Clinical Practice	<i>Self-learning activities are planned and implemented by a health care practitioner to:</i> <i>address needs related to clinical practice</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Answering self-identified clinical questions 	0.5 credits/hour	Document these self-learning activities in the CPD portfolio or (where applicable) the provision of a transcript from a third party
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading journals, books or monographs 	1 credit/hour	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completing self-learning modules 	1 credit/hour	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Viewing podcasts or webcasts 	0.5 credits/hour	
Education and Training	<i>address needs related to engaging in education and training</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Postgraduate degrees or diploma programs recognized by a relevant professional body 	25 credits/ semester or course	Transcript of the course from the responsible organization
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation for formal teaching activities 	2 credits/hour	Teaching schedule from the responsible organization or academic institution
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of assessment tools or activities (including Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE), MCQ or short answer questions) • Preparation for Mentoring students, trainees, or peers 	2 credits/hour 1 credit/hour	Letter describing participation in the development of assessment tools or activities from the responsible organization Letter from the responsible organization
Research and Quality Improvement	<i>address needs related to engaging in research and quality improvement</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of a research grant or peer-reviewed publication 	1 credit/hour	Letter of acceptance of a grant or publication or letter of participation in peer review or participation in CQI from the organization, journal or healthcare facility
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peer review of a clinical practice 	1 credit/hour	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peer review for journals or research grants 	1 credit/hour	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participating in or leading quality improvement projects 	10 credits/project	

Category 3: Assessment Activities

	Accredited Assessment	Other Assessment
Includes	Knowledge assessments	Feedback from annual performance review
	Simulation	Feedback on teaching effectiveness
	Clinical audits	
	Multi-source feedback	
	Direct observation of procedures or performance in practice	
Accreditation	Required	Not Required
Credits Assigned	2 Credits/hour of eligible activity participation time	2 Credits/hour of feedback
Supporting Documentation	Certificate , letter or report of completion or participation from the responsible organization	Summary of the feedback from the responsible organization

FAQS

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Is attendance at international conferences / international activities outside the State of Qatar accepted?

- **Yes**, CME/CPD activities attended outside Qatar **and** are **accredited by DHP-AS-recognized international accrediting bodies** can be included within the CPD Framework.
- **A list of DHP-AS-recognized international accreditation bodies** is published on DHP-AS website and can be accessed from Practitioners' e-portfolio.

The screenshot displays the 'Practitioner CME CPD Resources' page. The left sidebar menu includes sections for 'Practitioner', 'Reports', and 'Other Links'. The 'Other Links' section has 'CME / CPD Resources' circled in red. The main content area features a list of links: 'National CME / CPD Framework', 'List of DHP Accredited CPD Providers', 'Upcoming CPD Events in Qatar', 'List of International CPD accreditation bodies recognized by DHP', 'Examples of recognized online resources', and 'Useful Presentations'. Below these links are three sections: 'National CME / CPD Framework' (with a paragraph about DHP's role), 'List of DHP Accredited CPD Providers', and 'Upcoming CPD Events in Qatar'. At the bottom, there is a section for 'List of International CPD accreditation bodies recognized by DHP', which is highlighted with a red box and contains a link to 'International CPD Accreditation Bodies Recognized by DHP-AS'.

FAQ

Can live webinars be considered as Category 1 activities?

Yes, Live synchronous interactive webinars accredited by **DHP-AS or DHP-AS accredited providers (if broadcasted from Qatar) **or DHP-AS-recognized international accreditation** body (if broadcasted from outside Qatar) can be recognized as Category 1 - Online synchronous OR blended learning activities and can be recorded in your e-portfolio (as long as its submission is supported by required documentation).**

FAQ

How can I know that a group learning activity that I attended (or going to attend) will be recognized by DHP-AS as Category 1 activity?

All accredited activities (in the state of Qatar) are processed and **published** on a list on **DHP-AS** website and can be accessed from **Practitioners' e-portfolio**.

In addition, the **certificate of participation** in any DHP-AS accredited activity shall clearly mention an accreditation statement and has MoPH logo.

Practitioner
» Activities
» Reviewed Activities
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» Compliance
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Practitioner
CME CPD Resources

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National CME / CPD Framework
The Department of Healthcare Professions(DHP) is a governmental body that has been established in 2013 to achieve the goals of Qatar National Vision 2030 and National Health Strategy 2011-2016. The Accreditation Section is one of the pillar departments of the DHP and will develop and implement a sustainable internationally-recognized system for accreditation of health professional education.

» CPD Framework table - Oct 2016

List of DHP Accredited CPD Providers
» List of DHP Accredited CPD Providers

Upcoming CPD Events in Qatar
» List of Upcoming Accredited CPD Activities

List of International CPD accreditation bodies recognized by DHP
International CPD Accreditation Bodies Recognized by DHP-AS
» International CPD Accreditation Bodies Recognized by DHP-AS



CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

This certificate is awarded to
John Doe

For participating in the educational activity
"National CME/CPD Program for Healthcare Practitioners"

(DHP-AS Code: A295)
Held on 31/03/2021, Doha-Qatar
Credit Hours Granted: 1.5


Dr. Saad Rashid Al Kaabi
Director of the Department of Healthcare Professions,
MoPH

This activity is an Accredited Group Learning Activity (Category 1) as defined by the Ministry of Public Health's Department of Healthcare Professions and is approved for a maximum of 1.5 hours.

FAQ

In a Category 1 activity I attended, I spent 7 hours and I was given a certificate that stated that the activity is accredited for 5 hours only. How many hours can I record in my e-portfolio?

You are only allowed to record the credit hours granted to you in the certificate of activity attendance.



FAQ

Can I claim credits for working/clinical rounds?

- **No.** Typically, working/clinical rounds are not formal CPD activities. Rather, they are **bedside visits** by a healthcare practitioner—to evaluate treatment, assess current course and document the patient's progress or recuperation.
- Only **accredited learning rounds** (e.g., morning report in healthcare facilities, Grand rounds, Morbidity and Mortality rounds, tumor boards and case-based discussions) that have met the DHP-AS CPD activity accreditation standards are eligible for credit under Category 1.

FAQ

Can I record participation in non-accredited group learning activities as category 2 or 3?

- **No. Group learning activities that are not accredited by DHP-AS, DHP-accredited provider or DHP-recognized international accreditation body (if conducted outside Qatar) will not be accepted to be recorded under Category 1, 2 or 3 of the National Framework.**

FAQ

Can I record online activities certified by American Medical Association (AMA) as AMA PRA Category 1 as a DHP Category 1 activity?

- **Categorization of AMA credits is different** than that followed by DHP.
- **AMA PRA Category 1 activities** include **live activities** (attended in person or remotely as is the case of teleconferences or live Internet webinars) and **other types of activities** (e.g., Enduring materials, Journal-based CME, etc.).
- Only **Live AMA PRA Category 1 activities provided by U.S.-based accredited CME providers** are **eligible** to be recorded in e-Portfolio as **DHP Category 1 activities**.
- **Other types of AMA Category 1 activities** may be recorded as **DHP Category 2**.

FAQ

Under which type of DHP Category 2 shall I record online activity certified as AMA PRA Category 1?

- There are **different types of AMA PRA Category 1 activities** (other than live activities) that can be **recognized as DHP Category 2**, each in a distinctive Category 2 activity type as follows:

AMA PRA Category 1 Activity	Equivalent DHP Category 2 Activity	Note
Enduring materials CME – <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monographs,• Podcasts, and archived webinars,• Other web-based activities (certified with credits).	Clinical Practice – <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reading journals, books or monographs.• Viewing podcasts or webcasts• Completing self-learning module.	It is acceptable to record any online activity certified for AMA PRA Category 1 credits as DHP Category 2 / Clinical Practice / Completing self-learning module.
Journal-based CME	Clinical Practice – Reading journals, books or monographs.	
Internet point of care learning CME	Clinical Practice – Answering self-identified clinical questions	
Test item writing CME –	Education and Training – Development of assessment tools or activities.	-
Manuscript review (for journals) CME	Research and Quality Improvement – Peer review for journals or research grants	-

FAQ

How can I record UpToDate CPD activities?

- Completed **UpToDate CPD activities** can be recorded in the e-Portfolio under Category 2 > Clinical Practice > **Answering self-identified questions.**
- You are required to attach a **cumulative certificate of completed reading hours** from UpToDate for each submission.
- If **more than one submission** of UpToDate CPD activities is going to be made, **evidence (certificates)** must be for different date ranges (i.e., **must not include overlapping date ranges**).
- **Each submission is granted 0.5 credits for each hour reading / certified.**

FAQ

How can I record my reading of a journal article or book chapter as CPD?

- You may record reading journal article or book chapter under **Category 2 > Clinical practice > Reading journal article, book chapter or monograph.**
- You need to **fill in the reflection part** and answer the required questions carefully to reflect the learning and professional development you completed.
- You need to **attach an abstract or full text** of the journal article, book chapter or monograph as your supporting document. You may also attach a document with the **reference or source of reading** (e.g., web link).
- **Each recorded activity will automatically be allocated 1 credit by the e-portfolio.**

FAQ

I watched/listened to a recorded video/audio educational material. How can I record it in my ePortfolio?

- The CPD Framework considers watching/listening to recorded educational material (webcasts & podcasts) as category 2>clinical practice> **viewing webcasts or podcasts.**
- You are required to attach the certificate of completion (if applicable), a summary of the activity, a link to the activity or similar evidence, as a supporting document.
- You need to record the exact time spent in listening to/watching the podcast/webcast (**for a maximum of 2 hours per each submission**) and the **system will automatically grant 0.5 credits per hour of participation.**

FAQ

I am involved in a post-graduate study program. Can I record this as CPD? What exactly to record?

- Enrollment in a Postgraduate degree or diploma program recognized by a relevant professional body is recognized by the National CPD Framework as CPD.
- You may record each Semester/Course of the program **that coincides with your CPD cycle** as Category 2 - Self-Directed Learning Activity.
- **You are allowed to record a maximum of three semesters/ courses per each submission.**
- **Note that, Sitting for board or fellowship exams, however, without actual enrollment in a post-graduate study program CANNOT be recorded under this activity type**

FAQ

Can I claim credits for teaching or giving presentations?

- **Teaching or giving presentation per se is not granted CPD credits.**
- **You may**, however, **record** the time you spent **learning** (acquiring new knowledge or skills) **while preparing for formal teaching activities** under Category 2 - Self-Directed Learning Activities / Education and Training / preparation for formal teaching activities.
- “Preparation for formal teaching” submission **must be documented by attaching a teaching schedule from the responsible organization** (including the presentation/lecture title, date, duration and speaker name).
- **Notes**
 - **Credit hours claimed** must be **for the estimated time spent learning** while preparing for the formal teaching and **NOT the time spent delivering your presentation or teaching sessions.**
 - **Recorded** hours for preparation for formal teaching activities **cannot exceed double the duration of the presentation itself.**
 - Each submission is granted **2 credits for each hour preparation for formal teaching activities.**

FAQ

How do I record mentoring students as a CPD activity?

- You may record the time you spent “preparing” for mentoring students under Category 2 - Self-Directed Learning CPD Activity / Education and training / **preparation" for mentoring students, trainees or peers.**
- Participation in mentoring activities **must be documented by a letter from the responsible organization.**
- **The maximum time allowed to be recorded in your e-portfolio for preparation for mentoring is 10 hours per year of CPD Cycle; that is a maximum total of 20 hours per CPD cycle.**

FAQ

Can I claim credits for publishing articles/books?

- Healthcare practitioners may claim credits for developing **peer-reviewed publications** under Category 2 > Research and Quality Improvement> Development of a research grant or peer reviewed publications.
- This **may include** peer-reviewed journal articles, book chapters or similar publications (e.g., a peer-reviewed conference presentation or poster that is published in a conference proceedings).
- **Hours/Credits are allocated automatically by the e-portfolio based on the authorship ranking.** First author is granted 10 Hours/Credits, second author is granted 5 Hours/Credits while other authors are granted 3 Hours/Credits.

FAQ

I was in a committee that peer-reviewed the clinical practice of one or more healthcare practitioners. How do I record this in my ePortfolio?

- Healthcare practitioners may claim credits for **peer-reviewing the clinical practice of other healthcare practitioner(s)** under Category 2 > Research and Quality Improvement> Peer review of a clinical practice.
- This must be **documented by an official letter form the responsible organization** describing the review task(s) assigned, the date of task completion and the estimated number of hours spent in peer-reviewing.
- Healthcare practitioners must record the exact time spent in peer-reviewing (**for a maximum of 4 hours per task/activity submission**).

FAQ

I peer reviewed a journal article. How can I claim CPD credits for this activity?

- Healthcare practitioners may claim credits for **peer-reviewing journal articles** under Category 2 > Research and Quality Improvement> Peer review for journals or research grants.
- This must be documented by an official letter form the responsible organization (Journal publisher).
- Healthcare practitioners must record the exact time spent in peer-reviewing (for a maximum of 3 hours per task/activity submission).

FAQ

How many credits can I record as “Feedback from annual performance review” or “Feedback on teaching effectiveness”?

You may record only the **time you spent getting or receiving feedback from your employer** (in case of feedback on your annual performance) or from the **organization-assigned reviewer** (in case of feedback on your teaching effectiveness) **for a maximum of 1 hour per activity submission.**



3. National CPD Program Requirements

DHP-AS: CPD Requirements

- **CPD Cycle Duration: 2 years**
- **CPD cycle start date** will be individualized to **align with date of licensure.**
- **CPD Cycle Requirements** (**minimums** and not maximums)
 1. **Annual CPD requirements**
 - 40 credits each year.
 2. **CPD cycle requirements**
 - 80 credits over two years
 3. **Category-specific requirements**
 - 40 credits in Category 1, and
 - 40 credits across Category 2 and/or Category 3 (in any combination).

Leave Policy

- Policy is **applicable for all healthcare practitioners in eligible leaves.**
- Being in **eligible leave adjusts cycle and category-specific CPD Credit requirements.**
- To be **eligible**, leave must be:
 - ✓ **Other than** Annual and casual leave.
 - ✓ For, **at least, 30 (thirty) consecutive days** within the license renewal period.
 - ✓ **Approved by** the concerned authority (**employer**) of the practitioner.
 - ✓ Filed correctly and **approved by the registration department** of DHP.
- Leave must be **submitted to DHP after its end or at license renewal date** (whichever is sooner).

Leave Policy (Cont.)

Duration of Absence from Practice	CPD Cycle Credit Expectations	Category- Specific Credit Expectations
1-3 months	70 credits	35 credits: Category 1 35 credits: Category 2 or 3
4-6 months	60 credits	30 credits: Category 1 30 credits: Category 2 or 3
7-9 months	50 credits	25 credits: Category 1 25 credits: Category 2 or 3
10-12 months	40 credits	20 credits: Category 1 20 credits: Category 2 or 3
13-15 months	30 credits	Not applicable
16-18 months	20 credits	Not applicable
19-21 months	10 credits	Not applicable
<u>></u>22 months	0 credits	Not applicable

FAQS

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I am required to complete and record 40 credits every year. Is it a must that 50% of those credits be from Category 1 and 50% from Category 2/3?

- **No.** In each year of your CPD cycle you are required to collect 40 CPD credits. However, those credits may be of any combination **as long as**, by the end of 2nd year of your CPD cycle, you have 40 credits from Category 1 and 40 credits from Category 2/3.
- **This means** e.g., you may collect all your Category 1 credits in the 1st year and all category 2/3 credits in the second year, and vice versa.

FAQ

Can I submit my CPD credits before the due date for license renewal?

- **Yes.** Submission of credits is **open 3 months before** license expiry date (due date for license renewal) and **until the expiry date itself.**
- Once you complete the CPD credit requirements, you may submit the CPD credits and proceed with license renewal during this period.
- This **does not mean that you have to submit** your CPD credit requirement 3 months before license expiry.

FAQ

I got my first License to practice on March 30, 2020 and I am trying to record a CPD activity I completed two months before I got my license (as advised by my licensed colleagues) yet the system doesn't allow me to record such activity. Is this a system glitch?

- **No. Recording activities** you completed before issuing your first license, in the e-Portfolio, **is not allowed.**
- **Credit transfer** for CPD activities completed in the immediate 6 months prior to first license issuance **was temporarily allowed** (as per CPD Credit Transfer Policy) for **the first two years** of the National CME/CPD Program implementation **ONLY.**
- **CPD Credit Transfer Policy expired on March 7, 2018.** Therefore, any HCP who got his/her first license issued after that date cannot record any CPD activities completed before the date of his/her license issuance in his/her e-Portfolio.

FAQ

I completed more credits than required for my CPD cycle. Can the remaining credits be transferred to my next CPD cycle?

No. Credit transfer is not allowed between CPD cycles.

FAQ

My license expires May 31st, 2021. I completed all credits required for my CPD cycle and I submitted my credits for license renewal on March 15th, 2021. I am planning to attend a workshop on April 23rd, 2021. Can I record the credits I gain into my next CPD cycle?

No. Only Credits completed during the CPD cycle are allowed to be recorded by the e-portfolio.

FAQ

My license expires May 31st, 2021. I completed all credits required for my CPD cycle and I submitted my credits for license renewal on March 31st, 2021. I am planning to attend a workshop on June 2nd, 2021 and my license might not be renewed yet. Can I record the credits I gain into my next CPD cycle?

Yes. If you fulfilled all the requirements for license renewal and applied for it on time, your new license (and hence CPD cycle) will be granted for 2 years from the date of previous license expiry. You will be able to record any activity completed during your new CPD cycle.

FAQ

I participate in the CPD Program outside of the State of Qatar. Will you accept my participation in this program to maintain my licensure with the Ministry of Public Health?

No. Once launched, all healthcare practitioners licensed to practice in the State of Qatar must participate in the DHP CPD Program to maintain their Ministry of Public Health license to practice. **However**, participation in CPD activities outside Qatar that are accredited by international accreditation bodies that DHP-AS recognizes can be recorded in your e-portfolio.

FAQ

Will my participation in CPD activities accredited by DHP-AS be recognized by other regulatory authorities and CPD systems abroad?

- Currently, Qatar's National **Credit system is recognized** by the American Medical Association (**AMA**), the American Academy for Family Physicians (**AAFP**) and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (**RCPSC**). CPD credits granted from participation in one of DHP-AS-accredited activity types (covered by the agreements) will be recognized by the Credit systems of such organizations. In addition, by a unique agreement, RCPSC will recognize fulfillment of DHP-AS CPD cycle requirements as equivalent and substitutive for participation in the RCPSC's MOC program.
- Qatar's National CME/CPD **Accreditation system is** also recognized as **substantially equivalent** to the accreditation systems of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (**ACCME®**) and The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (**RCPSC**).



4. Documentation of CPD Activities

Documentation of CPD Activities

- Every healthcare practitioner is required to maintain an individual **CPD activity record**, which will constitute his/her CPD ePortfolio:
 - Record details of **completed** learning activities.
 - Record **reflections** on learning for practice.
 - Upload the **documentation** as defined by the CPD Framework-where applicable.
- A CPD portfolio also includes a **planning department** – to state the individual learning needs identified.

The ePortfolio



Please click the appropriate tab for the required document

[CPD ePortfolio](#)
[CPD Provider](#)
[External Reviewer](#)
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Use the DHP Registration System Credentials for login.

Email:

Password:

Sign me in automatically

[Sign In](#) [Forgot Password](#)

CPD ePortfolio
To access your CPD ePortfolio you need to have a valid active license



CPD ePortfolio

CPD PROVIDER CONTACT US

Practitioner

- Record CPD Activity
- Add PDF Goal
- Submit Credits to Renew License
- Leave Details
- My Reports

Other Links

- CME / CPD Resources
- Guidelines
- Policies & Standards
- FAQs
- CPD ePortfolio Manual



John Doe
Physician
OCI-IP Test Facility
License No : 10044
Expiry Date : 13 Feb 2019

[Record CPD Activity](#)

Required Credits has been reduced as per First Cycle / License Policy

[My Portfolio](#)
[My Incomplete CPD Activities](#)
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National CME / CPD Framework

The Qatar Council for Healthcare Practitioners (QCHP) is a governmental body that has been established in 2013 to achieve the goals of Qatar National Vision 2030 and National Health Strategy 2011-2016. The Accreditation Department is one of the pillar departments of the QCHP and will develop and implement a sustainable internationally recognized system for accreditation of health professional education.

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Category	Total Credits	Completion	Status
Category 1	2.00	80	●
Category 2 & 3	0.00	40	●
Required Credits	NA	80	●
	2.00		

[Submit CPD Credits to Renew License](#)
[CPD Cycle Credit Summary](#)

Incomplete CPD Activities

Activity	Last Updated
Diabetes and Obesity in Pregnancy Scientific Conference	20/02/2017

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CPD Activities Pending Documentation Upload

Activity
Diabetes and Obesity in Pregnancy Scientific Conference

[View More](#)

Completed CPD Activities

Activity	Date
Educative Lectures/Obstetrics & Gynecology	20/02/2017

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My Professional Development Plan

Activity	Due Date
PG	30/06/2018

[View More](#)

The e-Portfolio

Category 1 – Accredited Group Learning

Record CPD Activity

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

Format of the Activity* Face to Face Online Blended

No. of Hours Spent*
Enter No. of Hours Spent and not credits

Credits Awarded

Activity Completion*

Describe the outcome or impact on your professional practice (Reflection):*

What did you learn or confirm?	<input type="text"/>
What additional learning are you planning to complete?	<input type="text"/>
What changes are you planning to implement in your practice?	<input type="text"/>

Supporting Document/Certificate*

Certificate of attendance or letter describing the total hours / credits completion from the responsible organization

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Category 2 – Self-directed Learning Clinical Practice

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

No. of Hours Spent*
Enter No. of Hours Spent and not credits

Credits Awarded

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

Credits Awarded

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

No. of Hours Spent*
Enter No. of Hours Spent and not credits

Credits Awarded

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

No. of Hours Spent*
Enter No. of Hours Spent and not credits

⚠ You can record maximum 2 hours for this activity

Credits Awarded

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Category 2 – Self-directed Learning Education and Training

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

No. of Semester*
Enter No. of Semester and not credits

ⓘ A maximum of 3 semesters coinciding with your CPD Cycle can be recorded per submission

Credits Awarded

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

Duration of Formal Teaching

Duration of Preparation for Formal Teaching

ⓘ Duration of Preparation for Formal Teaching should not exceed double the Duration of Formal Teaching

Credits Awarded

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

No. of Hours Spent*
Enter No. of Hours Spent and not credits

Credits Awarded

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

No. of Hours Spent*
Enter No. of Hours Spent and not credits

ⓘ You can record maximum 10 hours for this activity in a year of CPD Cycle

Credits Awarded

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Category 2 – Self-directed Learning Research and Quality Improvement

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

Rank as an author

Credits Awarded

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

No. of Hours Spent*
Enter No. of Hours Spent and not credits

! You can record maximum 4 hours for this activity

Credits Awarded

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

No. of Hours Spent*
Enter No. of Hours Spent and not credits

! You can record maximum 3 hours for this activity

Credits Awarded

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

Credits Awarded

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Category 3 – Assessment Activities

Accredited Assessment

Record CPD Activity

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

Format of the Activity* Face to Face Online Blended

No. of Hours Spent*
Enter No. of Hours Spent and not credits

Credits Awarded

Activity Completion*

Describe the outcome or impact on your professional practice (Reflection):*

What did you learn or confirm?

What additional learning are you planning to complete?

What changes are you planning to implement in your practice?

Supporting Document/Certificate*

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Other Assessment

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

Format of the Activity* Face to Face Online Blended

No. of Hours Spent*
Enter No. of Hours Spent and not credits

You can record maximum 1 hour for this activity

Credits Awarded

Category*

Sub-Category*

CPD Activity*

Activity Type*

Name / Title of Activity*

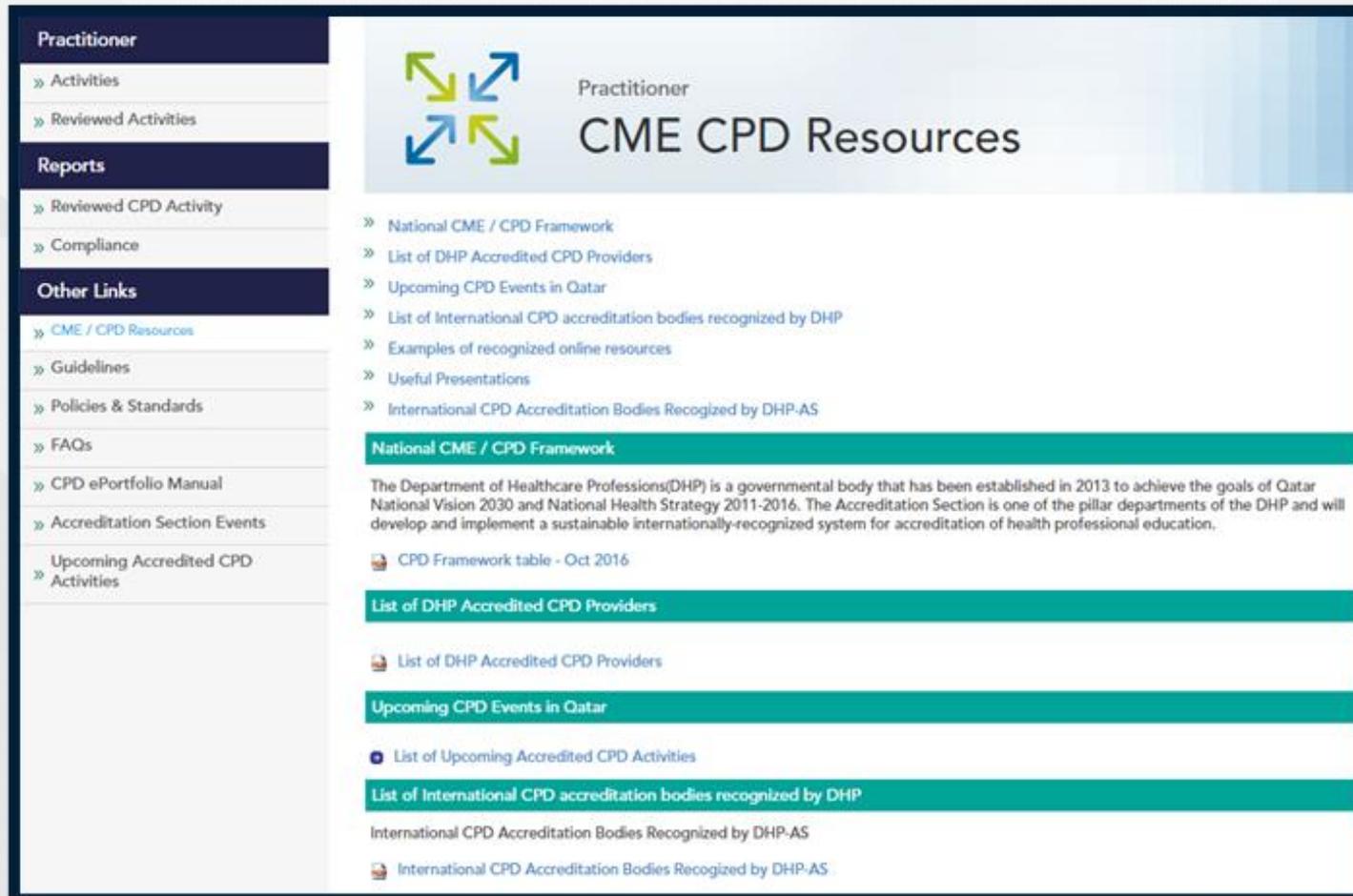
Format of the Activity* Face to Face Online Blended

No. of Hours Spent*
Enter No. of Hours Spent and not credits

You can record maximum 1 hour for this activity

Credits Awarded

The e-Portfolio



The screenshot displays the 'Practitioner CME CPD Resources' e-Portfolio interface. On the left is a dark blue sidebar with a white text menu. The main content area has a light blue header with a logo of four arrows pointing outwards and the text 'Practitioner CME CPD Resources'. Below the header is a list of resource links, followed by three detailed sections: 'National CME / CPD Framework', 'List of DHP Accredited CPD Providers', and 'Upcoming CPD Events in Qatar'. Each section has a teal header and a white body with text and a small icon.

Practitioner

- » Activities
- » Reviewed Activities

Reports

- » Reviewed CPD Activity
- » Compliance

Other Links

- » [CME / CPD Resources](#)
- » Guidelines
- » Policies & Standards
- » FAQs
- » CPD ePortfolio Manual
- » Accreditation Section Events
- » Upcoming Accredited CPD Activities

Practitioner CME CPD Resources

- » National CME / CPD Framework
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- » Examples of recognized online resources
- » Useful Presentations
- » International CPD Accreditation Bodies Recognized by DHP-AS

National CME / CPD Framework

The Department of Healthcare Professions(DHP) is a governmental body that has been established in 2013 to achieve the goals of Qatar National Vision 2030 and National Health Strategy 2011-2016. The Accreditation Section is one of the pillar departments of the DHP and will develop and implement a sustainable internationally-recognized system for accreditation of health professional education.

 [CPD Framework table - Oct 2016](#)

List of DHP Accredited CPD Providers

 [List of DHP Accredited CPD Providers](#)

Upcoming CPD Events in Qatar

 [List of Upcoming Accredited CPD Activities](#)

List of International CPD accreditation bodies recognized by DHP

International CPD Accreditation Bodies Recognized by DHP-AS

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The e-Portfolio



National CME / CPD Accreditation System



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 - » Policies & Standards
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Practitioner Guidelines

» [HCP Practitioners Guidelines](#)

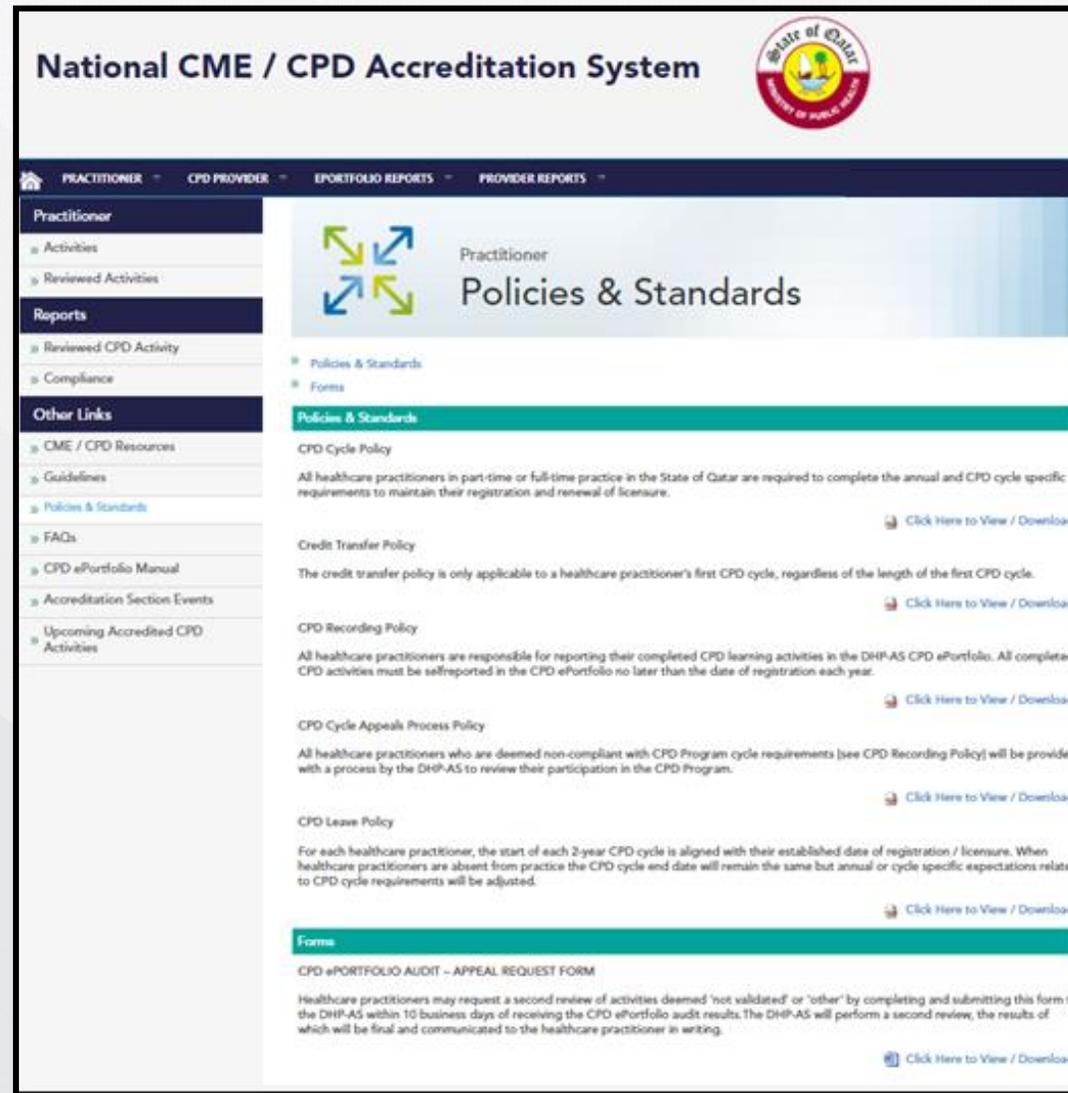
HCP Practitioners Guidelines

Practitioner's Manual

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National CME / CPD Accreditation System

State of Qatar
MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH

PRACTITIONER CPD PROVIDER EPORTFOLIO REPORTS PROVIDER REPORTS

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Practitioner Policies & Standards

- Policies & Standards
- Forms

Policies & Standards

CPD Cycle Policy

All healthcare practitioners in part-time or full-time practice in the State of Qatar are required to complete the annual and CPD cycle specific requirements to maintain their registration and renewal of licensure.

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Credit Transfer Policy

The credit transfer policy is only applicable to a healthcare practitioner's first CPD cycle, regardless of the length of the first CPD cycle.

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CPD Recording Policy

All healthcare practitioners are responsible for reporting their completed CPD learning activities in the DHP-AS CPD ePortfolio. All completed CPD activities must be self-reported in the CPD ePortfolio no later than the date of registration each year.

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CPD Cycle Appeals Process Policy

All healthcare practitioners who are deemed non-compliant with CPD Program cycle requirements (see CPD Recording Policy) will be provided with a process by the DHP-AS to review their participation in the CPD Program.

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CPD Leave Policy

For each healthcare practitioner, the start of each 2-year CPD cycle is aligned with their established date of registration / licensure. When healthcare practitioners are absent from practice the CPD cycle end date will remain the same but annual or cycle specific expectations related to CPD cycle requirements will be adjusted.

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Forms

CPD ePORTFOLIO AUDIT - APPEAL REQUEST FORM

Healthcare practitioners may request a second review of activities deemed 'not validated' or 'other' by completing and submitting this form to the DHP-AS within 10 business days of receiving the CPD ePortfolio audit results. The DHP-AS will perform a second review, the results of which will be final and communicated to the healthcare practitioner in writing.

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The e-Portfolio

National CME / CPD Accreditation System



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Practitioner FAQ's

Search your Question

[Expand All](#) [Collapse All](#)

- What is the CPD Program?
- What is the purpose of the CPD Program?
- What are the anticipated benefits of the CPD Program?
- What evidence is there that this makes a difference to patient care?
- What role has the Department of Healthcare Professions been assigned within the CPD Program?
- When will I be required to participate in the CPD Program?
- Who is required to participate in the CPD Program?
- Are non-practicing clinicians in the State of Qatar required to participate in the CPD Program?
- Are healthcare Practitioners in training required to participate in the CPD program?
- What is a CPD cycle?
- What are the cycle requirements?
- Am I required to complete 20 credits from category 1 and 20 credits from category 2&3 every year?
- In my first CPD cycle, I am required to collect 60 credits; will there be certain annual requirements for me?
- How will healthcare practitioners demonstrate their participation in CPD activities?
- Can I submit my CPD credits before the due date for license renewal?
- I completed more credits than required for my CPD cycle. Can the remaining credits be transferred to my next CPD cycle?



5. Monitoring Compliance to the National Program

Monitoring Compliance

- The DHP-AS has established a **CPD audit process** for healthcare practitioners.
- It is a process that **reviews the documentation/validation** established for all learning activities included in the CPD framework and self-reported in the portfolio.

Monitoring Compliance

- Healthcare practitioners who **fail to meet the minimum annual requirement** of 40 credits are **deemed to be non-adherent** and will be:
 - **Notified** at the end of the first year for non-adherence.
 - **Provided with information** on how to seek assistance.
 - Required to participate in a CPD ePortfolio **Audit**.
- Healthcare practitioners who fail to record the **minimum expectations for Category-specific or 2-year CPD Program cycle** requirements will be **deemed to be non-compliant** and will be subject to having their registration and licensure in the State of Qatar terminated for non-compliance (with opportunity to appeal).

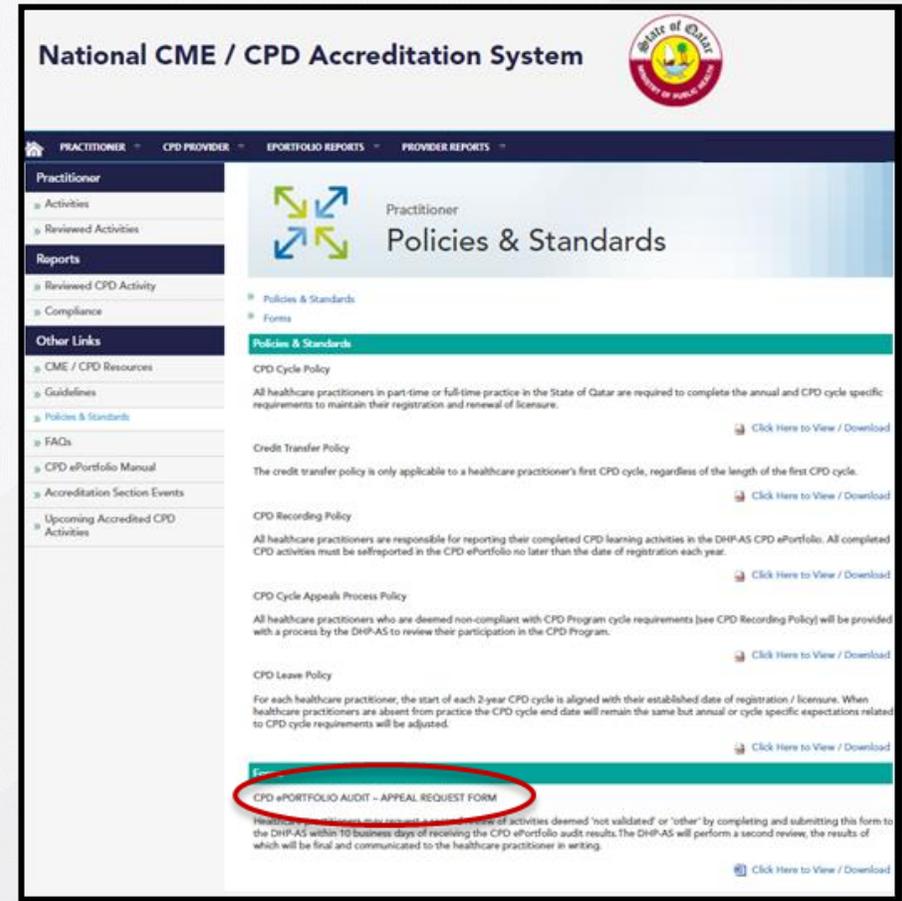
CPD Appeals - CPD Cycle Closure Appeal

- Healthcare practitioners who are **deemed to be noncompliant** with CPD Program cycle requirements may request an opportunity to appeal their non-compliance.
- Appeal is made by completing and submitting “**CPD Cycle Closure Appeal Request Form**” to the DHP-AS within **30 days** of the healthcare practitioners being notified they are noncompliant with CPD cycle requirements.
- **A review panel**, facilitated by the DHP-AS, will be formed to assess any CPD Program cycle appeals submitted by healthcare practitioners.

The image shows a screenshot of a web portal interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with a home icon and the title 'Practitioner'. Below the menu, there is a list of options: 'Record CPD Activity', 'Add FDP Goal', 'Submit CPD Credits to Renew License', 'Leave Details', 'My Reports', 'Upcoming CPD Activity', 'Send a Message', and 'CPD Cycle Closure Appeal'. The 'CPD Cycle Closure Appeal' option is highlighted in yellow. Below the menu, there is a section titled 'CPD Cycle Closure Appeal Request'. This section contains 'Instructions' for healthcare practitioners who have had their license expired and were deemed non-compliant. It states that a review panel will be formed to evaluate the evidence and rationale provided in the request. Below the instructions, there is a section for 'Healthcare Practitioner Contact Details' with input fields for 'Full Name', 'License No.', 'Phone No.*', 'Organization', and 'Email*'. At the bottom, there is a section titled 'CPD Cycle Requirements – Review Request' with a note asking the practitioner to indicate the reason for non-compliance and provide a full rationale and accompanying evidence to demonstrate that the cycle requirement has been met or provide reasons why more time should be granted.

CPD Appeals - CPD E-portfolio Audit Appeal

- Healthcare practitioners may request a second review of activities deemed 'not validated' or 'other'
- Appeal is made by completing and submitting **“CPD e-PORTFOLIO AUDIT – APPEAL REQUEST FORM”** to the DHP-AS within **10 business days** of receiving the CPD ePortfolio audit results.
- **The DHP-AS will perform a second review**, the results of which will be final and communicated to the healthcare practitioner in writing.



The screenshot displays the National CME / CPD Accreditation System website. The header includes the system name and the logo of the State of Qatar Ministry of Public Health. The navigation menu shows 'Practitioner', 'CPD PROVIDER', 'EPORTFOLIO REPORTS', and 'PROVIDER REPORTS'. The main content area is titled 'Practitioner Policies & Standards' and lists several policies with links to view or download them:

- CPD Cycle Policy
- Credit Transfer Policy
- CPD Recording Policy
- CPD Cycle Appeals Process Policy
- CPD Leave Policy
- CPD ePORTFOLIO AUDIT – APPEAL REQUEST FORM** (circled in red)

The description for the 'CPD ePORTFOLIO AUDIT – APPEAL REQUEST FORM' link states: "Healthcare practitioners may request a second review of activities deemed 'not validated' or 'other' by completing and submitting this form to the DHP-AS within 10 business days of receiving the CPD ePortfolio audit results. The DHP-AS will perform a second review, the results of which will be final and communicated to the healthcare practitioner in writing."

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