

To: All Florida Nuclear Pharmacists  
Fr: UNM CE Program for Radiopharmacists  
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### **CE Broker Blunder**

Sometime within the last 6-8 months or so—CE Broker overstepped their authority and implemented an unsanctioned change in the interpretation of Florida 64B16-26.304 *Subject Matter for Nuclear Pharmacist Renewal Continuing Education Programs*. CE Broker restricted the nuclear pharmacy CE designation to single activities of twelve (12) or more contact hours. CE activities of lesser credit (for example, 2.5 hours) were denied nuclear pharmacy designation and shifted to the “general” category. When questioned about this interpretation of the regulations, CE Broker responded, several times, that this requirement was specifically directed by the Board of Pharmacy.

On December 10<sup>th</sup>, we were notified by the Board of Pharmacy that the regulations had NOT been changed and that the Board had NOT instructed CE Broker to effect such a change. CE Broker was also notified by the Board of Pharmacy and removed the restriction immediately.

In further conversation with CE Broker, UNM was informed that CE Broker does not have the technical ability to correct the records. UNM has been informed that we must resubmit each CE activity. Then we must resubmit records of completion for participating pharmacists. The Board has indicated an understanding of delays in correcting the records. There should be no sanctions against pharmacists whose records were impacted by CE Broker’s regulatory mis-interpretation.

UNM will make every effort to get records resubmitted before December 31<sup>st</sup>. In the event that any pharmacist currently enrolled in the UNM CE program should encounter incorrect records or other issues from this error, please contact us for assistance.

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