**PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (PI CME) FORM**

*This form is used for documenting the requirements for completing a Performance Improvement Continuing Medical Education (PI CME) activity.*

A PI CME activity is a process by which evidence-based performance measures and quality improvement (QI) interventions are used to help physicians identify areas for improvement and change their performance.

**The** [**AMA Physician’s Recognition Award and credit system**](https://www.ama-assn.org/education/ama-pra-credit-system/ama-pra-credit-system-requirements) **(2017 revision):**

An activity structured as a three-stage process by which a physician or group of physicians learn about specific performance measures, assess their practice using the selected performance measures, implement interventions to improve performance related to these measures over a useful interval of time, and then reassess their practice using the same performance measures.

• Have an oversight mechanism that assures content integrity of the selected performance measures. If appropriate, these measures should be evidence based and well designed.

• Provide clear instruction to the physician that defines the educational process of the activity (documentation, timeline).

• Provide adequate background information so that physicians can identify and understand the performance measures that will guide their activity and the evidence behind those measures (if applicable).

• Validate the depth of physician participation by a review of submitted PI CME activity documentation.

• Consist of the following three stages:

**Stage A—**learning from current practice performance assessment. Assess current practice using the identified performance measures, either through chart reviews or some other appropriate mechanism.

**Stage B—**learning from the application of PI to patient care. Implement the intervention(s) based on the results of the analysis, using suitable tracking tools. Participating physicians should receive guidance on appropriate parameters for applying the intervention(s).

**Stage C—**learning from the evaluation of the PI CME effort. Reassess and reflect on performance in practice measured after the implementation of the intervention(s), by comparing to the original assessment and using the same performance measures. Summarize any practice, process and/or outcome changes that resulted from conducting the PI CME activity.

**Note:** PI CME activities can be non-clinical as long as these activities could assist physicians in carrying out their professional responsibilities more effectively or efficiently.

**Core requirements for certifying activities for *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit*™**

1. The CME activity must conform to the AMA/ACCME definition of CME.

2. The CME activity must address an educational need (knowledge, competence or performance) that underlies the professional practice gaps of that activity’s learners.

3. The CME activity must present content appropriate in depth and scope for the intended physician learners.

4. When appropriate to the activity and the learners, the accredited provider should communicate the identified educational purpose and/or objectives for the activity, and provide clear instructions on how to successfully complete the activity.

5. The CME activity must utilize one or more learning methodologies appropriate to the activity’s educational purpose and/or objectives.

6. The CME activity must provide an assessment of the learner that measures achievement of the educational purpose and/or objective of the activity.

7. The CME activity must be planned and implemented in accordance with the [ACCME Standards for Integrity and Independence in Accredited Continuing Education.](https://www.accme.org/accreditation-rules/standards-for-integrity-independence-accredited-ce)

**Designating and awarding *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit*™**

• Maximum PI CME activity is designated for twenty (20) *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*™.

* Physicians completing Stage A are awarded five (5) *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*™;
* Stages A and B, 10 credits;
* A, B and C, 20 credits.

**Instructions:**

For questions or to receive CME credit for completing a PI CME activity, complete and submit this form to: [SMD\_FacultyReviewPICME@urmc.rochester.edu](mailto:SMD_FacultyReviewPICME@urmc.rochester.edu)

**Accreditation:** The University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

**Certification:** The University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry designates this PI CME activity for a maximum of 20 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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| **Submitting for Credit:** | Stage A  Stage B  Stage C |

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| **PI CME STAGES** | **RESPONSES** |
| **Stage A: Learning from current practice performance assessment.** | *Describe current practice and identified performance measures, either through chart reviews or some other appropriate mechanism.* |
| **Stage B: Learning from the application of performance improvement to practice.** | *Based on what you identified in your current practice during Stage A, describe the intervention you implemented to improve your practice, using suitable tracking tools and appropriate parameters for applying the intervention(s).* |
| **Stage C:** **Learning from the evaluation of the PI CME effort.** | *Reassess and reflect on performance in practice measured after the implementation of the intervention(s), by comparing to the original assessment and using the same performance measures. Summarize any practice, process and/or outcome changes that resulted from conducting the PI CME activity.* |

**Faculty Member Attestation**

I have read the [PI CME requirements](https://www.ama-assn.org/education/ama-pra-credit-system/performance-improvement-continuing-medical-education-pi-cme) as outlined by the American Medical Association and attest that I have completed all of the requirements for the following PI CME Stages:

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| Stage A  Stage B  Stage C |

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Faculty Member Signature Date

**Department Chair/Designee Attestation**

I attest this PI CME activity meets the core requirements for certifying *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*™ and the faculty member named above has completed all of the [PI CME requirements](https://www.ama-assn.org/education/ama-pra-credit-system/performance-improvement-continuing-medical-education-pi-cme) as outlined by the American Medical Association.

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