

**JUNE 2023 CPD CIRCULAR**

*Dear esteemed Member*,

**YOUR MEMBERSHIP STATUS AND PROFESSIONAL STANDING IS IMPORTANT AND DEPEND ON THE FOLLOWING FOUR PRINCIPAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

1. Professional qualifications and a minimum level of practical experience
2. Good standing in terms of ethical conduct, moral demeanor and professional acumen
3. Annual membership fees
4. Up to date annual CPD compliance

These four aspects are of equal importance and are strictly not negotiable; fortunately and you have already satisfied items 1 & 2 as initial preconditions for membership registration; it only makes sense that you should also satisfy the other conditions as part of your professional responsibility. The CPD compliance is ongoing, as you may know and the ASCHP has now introduced a digital electronic system to make it easy to progressively monitor your annual CPD compliance (Link available on [www.aschp.net](http://www.aschp.net)).

The ASCHP is soon due for a midterm audit in July this year and one of the strict regulatory criteria checked by SAQA is CPD compliance. Legislation determines that all practicing health practitioners are required to participate regularly in CPD training relevant to their scope of practice in order to maintain, *develop, update and enhance their knowledge, skills and performance to help them deliver appropriate and safe care.*

Please ensure urgently that you do comply in terms of the level of your designation, as the ASCHP is obliged to deregister and remove non-compliant members from the NLRD in terms of regulatory stipulations, something that we would obviously not like to do.

For your convenience the ASCHP makes regular CPD training available to members that can be ordered from Elsie Teffo at

cpd.liedani@synergetica.co.za. Alternatively video format CPD’s are available. <https://www.videolearn.co.za/Home/InstructorCourses/254f33d0-2834-4565-b82f-01e119cc970f>

Should funds pose a challenge, please remember that the ASCHP provides many avenues for CPD training, Cost effective ways include the following modes:

* Reading and applicable book on a counselling/wellness topic and submitting a book report of what you have learned.
* Recording a discussion between two or more counsellors and writing a brief synopsis to set out what you have learned.
* Ensure that you obtain CPD points whenever you lecture or give a group talk on the topic of counselling, or wellness healthcare.

In the light of all this information, we do urge you to timeously pay serious attention to ensure that you are up to date before we have to apply the axe of an imminent audit.

Kind regards



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