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## Unraveling the DEA MATE Requirements

There have been a number of questions regarding the newly implemented and required DEA MATE Act. Passed by Congress on December 29, 2022, this legislation took most off-guard. To assist the membership, I felt it would be helpful to share my understanding and additional significant information.

### I

#### Key Takeaways:

1. This is a **one-time training requirement** for all DEA registered practitioners.
2. The requirement states the training needs to be "on the treatment and management of patients with opioid or other substance use disorders."
3. This initiative is applicable to all practitioners beginning on June 27, 2023, completing their **initial registration** application, **or renewing** their registration. You will be **required to check a box** on the application affirming that the training requirement has been completed.
4. **Deadline date:**  
The date of a practitioner's next scheduled DEA registration for renewal or initial registration on or after June 27, 2023.

### II

#### There are some exceptions:

- Practitioners board-certified in addiction medicine or addiction psychiatry from recognized boards.
- Practitioners that graduated in good standing from a medical, dental, PA, or APN in the U.S. within five (5) years of June 27, 2023 and successfully completed a comprehensive curriculum that included at least eight (8) hours of training on:
  - Treating and managing patients with opioid or other substance use disorders, including the appropriate clinical use of all drugs approved by the Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of a substance use disorder; or
  - Safe pharmacological management of dental pain and screening, brief intervention, and referral for appropriate treatment of patients with or at risk of developing opioid and other substance use disorders.
- All DEA-registered practitioners that are solely veterinarians.

### **III**

#### **Training Formats:**

- Classroom settings
- Professional society meetings
- Virtual offerings

### **IV**

#### **Accredited groups that may provide trainings and meet this new requirement:**

- The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM)
- The American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry (AAAP)
- The American Medical Association (AMA)
- The American Osteopathic Association (AOA), or any organizations accredited by the AOA to provide continuing medical education
- The American Dental Association (ADA)
- The American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (AAOMS)
- The American Psychiatric Association (APA)
- The American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP)
- The American Academy of Physician Associates (AAPA)
- The American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)
- Any other organization accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) or the Commission for Continuing Education Provider Recognition (CCEPR), whether directly or through an

- organization accredited by a State medical society that is recognized by the ACCME or CCEPR
- Any other organization approved or accredited by the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, the **ACCME**, or the CCEPR

## V

### Conclusion:

APMA is in the process of attempting to rectify several issues regarding Podiatric Medicine. Presently, our educational entities are not listed nor is our specialty specifically listed under the accredited provider training list. This appears to be an oversight that hopefully will be rectified shortly.

For the purpose of meeting the DEA MATE requirement, it is my understanding that the above list meets the eight (8) credit requirements. The downside is that if the credits obtained are from a **non-approved** Florida Board of Podiatric Medicine entity, then these credits would **not** count toward a Florida Podiatric license renewal. As alluded to above, this issue has been identified and efforts are being made to rectify the current problem.

In the interim, I encourage all impacted to fulfill the requirement with the options presently listed. Additionally, I am in the process of attempting ACCME approval by the state. This would add another option for educational presentations.

### Helpful References:

- <https://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov>
- APMA DEA MATE Requirements  
<https://www.apma.org/PracticingDPMs/content.cfm?ItemNumber=54852&>

#### Disclaimer:

The information I have presented in this communication is a compilation of my research and understanding. It is my intent to provide the material to assist and hopefully decrease the burden and challenges that this legislation places on the membership. I have made every effort to provide thorough and accurate information. However, due to the nature of this subject and potential regulatory changes/modifications, providers should ultimately rely on all relevant resources to determine compliance.

**I intend to discuss the DEA MATE issue, and my experience obtaining compliance, at the FPMA 2023 Summer Conference.**

**I look forward to seeing everyone at the FPMA Summer Conference.**

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