

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### 2008 RENEWAL AND CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENT (CE) FOR PODIATRISTS

#### LICENSE RENEWAL

Licenses expire on January 31, 2008 unless renewed. In order to renew, podiatrists must meet the continuing education (CE) requirement established by law.

#### RANDOM AUDIT

In order to determine whether the CE requirement has been met, the Board conducts a random audit.

**As a result, podiatrists do NOT need to submit documentation of CE unless they are being audited.** Those who are being audited will receive a memo in October 2007. Because they are expected to submit CE documentation with their renewal, they will not be able to renew online.

#### CE REQUIREMENT

**40 hours** of CE are required of podiatrists licensed in Hawaii prior to 2/1/06. The 40 CE hours are to be obtained between **2/1/06 – 1/31/08**.

**20 hours** of CE are required of podiatrists licensed in Hawaii between 2/1/06 – 1/31/07. The 20 CE hours are to be obtained between **2/1/07 – 1/31/08**. (Only 20 hours are required for the initial renewal. Beginning with the 2010 renewal and thereafter, 40 hours will be required).

#### WAIVER/MODIFICATION:

The Board is able to waive/modify the CE requirement if the podiatrist:

- Practices in an isolated geographical area with an absence of opportunities for CE;  
or
- Is unable to devote sufficient hours to CE because of incapacity, undue hardship, or any other extenuating circumstances.

Podiatrists wishing to request a waiver/modification, will need to **mail** in the renewal, fee and affidavit which:

- Requests a waiver/modification of the CE requirement;
- Provides an explanation as to why you were unable to meet the CE requirement;  
and
- Is notarized.