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FAQS: CPE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

With 2020 being the third year of the reporting cycle, and continued disruption from COVID-19 virus, we realize you may have questions about compliance and meeting licensing renewal requirements. (CPA individual licenses and firm permits must be renewed by June 30th 2021.)

While we tried to work with the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency, the Board of Accountancy and the Governor's office to address waiving or extending timelines for some renewal requirements, those efforts did not result in any changes to requirements.

We advise you to do your best to comply with existing rules and regulations. This includes completing your CPE requirements prior to December 31, 2020. We will keep you apprised of any developments, but we do not expect any changes to the renewal requirements.

If you know you will not be able to meet the CPE requirements for renewal, we encourage you to contact the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency at pla14@pla.in.gov or 317-234-8800 with any questions or to discuss filing for a hardship waiver. You may prefer to contact the Compliance Officer for Accountancy directly, Rachelle Cannon-Mason may be reached at 317-234-3025 or rcannonmason@pla.in.gov.

Indiana statute gives the Board of Accountancy fairly-broad authority regarding CPE compliance including granting a hardship waiver to a licensee if the board deems it is needed.

IC 25-1-4-4 Hardship waiver

Sec. 4. A board, a commission, a committee, or an agency regulating a profession or an occupation under this title or under IC 16 or IC 22 may grant an applicant a waiver from all or part of the continuing education requirement for a renewal period if the applicant was not able to fulfill the requirement due to a hardship that resulted from any of the following:

- (1) Service in the armed forces of the United States during a substantial part of the renewal period.
- (2) An incapacitating illness or injury.
- (3) Other circumstances determined by the board or agency.

As added by P.L.88-2004, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.2-2008, SEC.56.

Please contact Sherrill Rude- INCPAS VP-Advocacy – srude@incpas.org or 317-501-1822 if you have any questions or need additional assistance. In the meantime, we encourage you to contact INCPAS staff for assistance in finding courses to suit your needs at 317-726-5000.