

Grading System & Scoring Schedule

MMC-CME GRADING SYSTEM SCORING SCHEDULE

Category

CME Activity Description

Credit Points Attainable

Additional Criteria Required

1A

Medical Congresses (Local/International)

20 points per congress

A congress should :

-
be conducted no less than 3 full days, a full day being 5-8 hours

- involve speaker of international standing

- contain plenary lectures/symposium

- allow presentation of free communication/posters, etc.

1B

Scientific meetings of Chapters of Academy/Universities/Colleges/Associations/Public & Private Medical Institutions

- less than 2 hours

- 2-4 hours (1/2 day)

- 5-8 hours (full day)

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4 or more full days

1 point

2 points

3 points

10 points

Between 1, 2 or 3 days, points are awarded according to hours

1C

Workshop/Courses

- Full day

- More than one full day but less than two full days

- 3 or more full days

3 points

5 points

10 points

A full day is 5-8 hours

For all activities in these categories, attendance lists or certificates of attendance (for overseas meetings and other MMA branch meetings) are to be submitted.

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CME Activity Description

Credit Points Attainable

Additional Criteria Required

2A

Ward rounds/lectures/clinic attendance

1 point per hour

For ward rounds, credit points are awarded to participants from outside the hospital establishment, e.g. private practitioners, verified by the CME Chairman of that institution

3A

Publication of Original Articles in Medical Journal/Chapters in Book

- Indexed Journal

- Principal author

- Others

- Non-indexed journal

- Principal author
- Others
- Chapters in book
- Each chapter (up to a maximum of 10 points)

10 points
7 points

5 points
3 points

5 points

An indexed journal is one which has international standing and is listed in the Index Medicus or similar indexing system

3B

Presentation at accredited meeting

- Free paper/short paper/poster

- Plenary/long paper

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Visiting lecture

3 points

5 points

3 points

- These credit points are in addition to full delegate attendance at medical congresses (1A), scientific meeting (1B), or Workshops (1C). Otherwise, only credit points for presentation are attainable.

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Attendees/audience should be medical practitioners

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Additional Criteria Required

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Self-Study/Group Study/Distance Learning

- Reading scientific papers from indexed journals

- Audio-visual

- Organised group discussion under accredited coordinator

1 point

1 point

1 point

Documented evidence (with verification needs to be produced)

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CME Online
(By Registered Accredited Provider)

1 point

- a) Participants will be allowed 2 weeks to read CME article and answer associated questions.
- b) Each participant will only have one attempt at answering allotted questions per article.
- c) Participants must obtain a minimum of 65%, to be awarded 1 credit point.

Note : Category 5 was included on 21st November 2001

It is important to state that :

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Although from the 1st till the 3rd session of the MMC-CME Grading System, each of the categories stated above had a ceiling of 20 credit points per category, from the 4th session onwards (1.9.1997 - 31.8.1998), the maximum attainable per category is open-ended, showing actual credit points attained by individual participants, per category.

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Effective the close of the 5th session (1.9.1998 - 31.8.1999), the MMC-CME Grading System Certificate is issued every 2 years to registered participants who obtain 20 credit points or more over the 2 year period.

A Certificate of Merit is issued annually on the conclusion of each session to registered participants achieving 50 credit points or more in each session.

- The Verification Statement will however be sent out to participants annually at the end of each session.

NOTE : For each of these categories, a maximum of 20 points can be obtained.