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### **WHAT'S NEW?**

We are now in **Cycle Seven** of our mandatory continuing education program. For this two-year Cycle (**July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2018**) members are required to obtain 15 CORE/STRUCTURED Learning Hours and 55 SELF-DIRECTED/UNSTRUCTURED Learning Hours.

Please continue to record your Continuing activities on the web site. As Administrator, when I search for your compliance, I will enter the Cycle dates and it will advise me of the sessions you completed within the time frame.

### **Here are the highlights to the program that you need to know:**

**1.** Members are required to achieve 70 hours of learning:

- 15 CORE/STRUCTURED Learning Hours
- 55 SELF-DIRECTED/UNSTRUCTURED Learning Hours

The number of learning hours ALBNL members can carry over to the next reporting Continuing Education Cycle is as follows:

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| • CORE/STRUCTURED Learning Hours:            | 8 hours |
| • SELF-DIRECTED/UNSTRUCTURED Learning Hours: | 8 hours |

**2.** Members are required to report all activities, both CORE/STRUCTURED and SELF-DIRECTED/UNSTRUCTURED Learning Hours to their Web based Continuing Education transcript.

**3.** A Continuing Education transcript audit will commence at the close of **Cycle Seven - June 30, 2018**. For the purposes of the transcript audit, the ALBNL member shall maintain the supporting documentation for all educational activities completed during the Cycle for a period of two years after the end of the Cycle. Members shall submit such documentation to the ALBNL only upon request.

**4.** Carry-over learning hours will only be considered at the audit following the **June 30<sup>th</sup> deadline** at the end of each cycle. Licensed members deficient in mandatory hours for CORE/STRUCTURED and Self-Directed/Unstructured categories can use the six month grace period to complete any deficiencies, however carryover learning hours will not be considered after the audit.

5. Members have the option to seek recognition or equivalency for learning activities completed during the Continuing Educational Cycle. If the learning activity focuses on one of the CORE/STRUCTURED topics established by the ALBNL and a member would like to assess it for CORE/STRUCTURED eligibility, the **Member Request for Equivalency Form** should be submitted to the ALBNL for consideration.

6. Reporting Period for current **Cycle Seven is July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2018.**

### **Overview**

NLAA Council approved the Continuing Education Program National Framework in January 2003. In July 2010, Government proclaimed into law the new Architects Act 2008, which resulted in the formation of the Architects Licensing Board. The creation of the Board was an initiative of Government to reorganize each of the province's self-regulating professional organizations into two independent bodies, an advocacy body (NLAA) and a regulatory body (ALBNL), and to address inconsistencies in disciplinary procedures between associations. At the same time the Association was successful in having government incorporate other changes to the Act which are intended to streamline some of the administrative procedures.