Category 2 Credit for Physician Relicensure

Category 2 (Physician self-claimed CME)
Physicians may self-claim Category 2 credit. Category 2 credits can be claimed for learning activities not designated for Category 1 credit - that a physician considers to have educational value related to his/her medical practice.

Continuing Medical Education Requirements for Licensure in Ohio.
Physicians (MD and DO) are required to earn 100 credits/hours of continuing medical education (CME) every two years. Of these 100 credits, 40 must be earned in Category 1.

Category 2 Credit activities are described on page 18 in “The Physician’s Recognition Award and credit system, 2006 revision.” (www.ama-assn.org/go/cme)

AMA PRA Category 2 Credit (hereinafter referred to as Cat.2) is defined as educational activities not designated for Cat.1 credit that:
- comply with the AMA definition of CME;
- are not promotional; and that
- a physician finds to be a worthwhile learning experience related to his/her practice.

Physicians may claim Cat.2 Credit for learning activities such as:
- review of recorded Cat.1 activities, conferences, sessions
- teaching residents, medical students or other health professionals;
- unstructured online searching and learning in medical topics;
- reading authoritative medical literature related to clinical practice; or
- participating in live medical education activities not designated for Cat.1 credit.

In each case of claim, the physician individually determines the educational value of those Cat.2 activities in which he/she participates.

Credit claim. As with live activities, physicians may:
- Self-claim one (1) Cat.2 credit for each 60-minute/hour engaged in the activity.
- Claim 15-minute, or 0.25 credit increments, and round to the nearest quarter hour.

Documentation: self documented.