



Education Requirements for Membership Policy

Purpose:

- To provide additional clarification surrounding Educational Requirements for Membership as described in CMMOTA Bylaw's 3.2.1.1., 3.2.2.1., 3.2.3.1., 3.2.3.2., 3.2.4.1., 3.2.5.1., 3.2.6.1., 3.2.7.1., 3.2.9.1., 3.2.10.1., and 3.2.10.2..

Policy:

1. Educational credentials provided by a membership applicant, if possible, will be verified with the educational institution which issued them in accordance with CMMOTA's *Verification of Certificates and Documents Submitted by Members or Membership Applicants Policy*.
2. Education Credentials will only be recognized if:
 - a. CMMOTA deems the credentials to be authentic; and
 - b. The institution either was recognized by CMMOTA on the date which the educational credentials were issued; or
 - c. If the school is able to historically prove that they met the requirements laid out in CMMOTA's *Massage Therapy Approved Schools Policy* or *Manual Osteopathic Therapy Approved Schools Policy* on the date which the educational credentials were issued.
3. Educational credentials issued during any period where the school or program did not meet the requirements for recognition will not be recognized by the Association as meeting the requirements for membership.
4. Experience will not be considered in lieu of education requirements.

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