

## AMENDMENT TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Pursuant to sections 207, 6507, 7101 and 7101-a of the Education Law.

Subparagraph (i) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of section 66.6 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education is amended, effective June 3, 2015, to read as follows:

66.6 Continuing education for licensed optometrists certified to use phase one and/or phase two therapeutic pharmaceutical agents.

(a) . . .

(b) Mandatory continuing education requirement.

(1) General requirements.

(i) During each triennial registration period, meaning a registration period of three years duration, an applicant for registration shall complete at least 36 hours of formal continuing education acceptable to the department as define in paragraph (2) of this subdivision. At least [three-quarters] 27 hours of such continuing education in a registration period shall consist of live in-person instruction in a formal course of study and/or live instruction in a formal course of study offered through audio, audio-visual, written, on-line, and other media, during which the student must be able to communicate and interact with the instructor and other students. Up to [one-quarter] 9 hours of such continuing education in a registration period may [consist] be completed through a self-study program, meaning structured study, provided by a sponsor approved pursuant to subdivision (g) of this section, that is based [of live instruction in a formal course of study offered through] on audio, audio-visual, written, on-line, and other media, and does not include live instruction, transmitted in person or otherwise, during which the student [must be able to] may communicate and interact with the instructor and other students.