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From	Qatar Council for Healthcare Practitioners (QCHP)
To	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All Healthcare Practitioners in the State of Qatar (Governmental & Semi-governmental & Private sectors)• All CPD Providers in the State of Qatar (Governmental & Semi-governmental & Private sectors)
Subject	Agreements with renowned CME/CPD organizations
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Advancing its mission to provide quality-learning opportunities for healthcare practitioners in the state of Qatar and to develop strategic international affiliations, Qatar Council for Healthcare Practitioners – Accreditation Department (QCHP-AD) wants to reveal the following:

1. A "Credit Conversion" agreement with the American Medical Association (AMA) has been signed and is effective on January 1, 2017 until December 31, 2018. The agreement will enable physicians to convert selected QCHP-AD CPD credits gained in Qatar through participation in specified accredited activities by QCHP-AD accredited CME/CPD providers or directly by the QCHP-AD, to their USA equivalent "AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™". It is to be noted that:
 - Only Category 1 – Accredited Group Learning Activities and accredited knowledge assessment programs and accredited simulation activities under Category 3 – Assessment Activities are included in this agreement.
 - The following AMA credit designation statement must be included on all disseminated promotional materials and all certificates given to physicians and other healthcare professionals for their participation in the above-described categories: **"Through an agreement between the Qatar Council for Healthcare Practitioners - Accreditation Department and the American Medical Association, physicians may convert QCHP CPD credit to AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Information on the process to convert QCHP CPD credit to AMA credit can be found at www.ama-assn.org/go/internationalcme. Other healthcare professionals may obtain from the AMA a certificate of having participated in an activity eligible for conversion of credit to AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™."**



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- Certificates, with AMA credit designation statement, shall be provided to physician participants by CPD providers, upon request, and must delineate the number of hours of participation so that the appropriate conversion to *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™* can be made.
- Physicians wishing to convert QCHP CPD credit to *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™*, and other healthcare professionals wishing to obtain a certificate of participation, will be required to access the AMA website at www.ama-assn.org/go/internationalcme to obtain the necessary paperwork, complete and submit the necessary documentations, certificates and non-refundable processing fee to the AMA.

For further details on "Credit Conversion" agreement, kindly refer to QCHP-AD website at <http://www.qchp.org.qa/en/Pages/Accreditation.aspx>.

2. Similarly, the QCHP-AD has reached a "Credit Equivalency" agreement with the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) by which QCHP accepts AAFP-Prescribed credit as equivalent to Category 1 – Accredited Group Learning Activities and Category 3 – Accredited Assessment Activities and AAFP accepts QCHP Category 1 and 3 credit as equivalent to AAFP Elective credit. Physicians should submit the certificates of attended accredited CPD activities, including the applicable QCHP-AD accreditation statement, to AAFP for earning the AAFP Elective credit.

These agreements provide opportunities for physicians licensed to work in the United States of America (USA) and are currently working in the state of Qatar, to fulfill the renewal of license requirements in these countries at the same time by participation in QCHP-AD-accredited activities.

Please visit the QCHP-AD website for more information:

<http://www.qchp.org.qa/en/Pages/accreditation.aspx>

Thank you for your cooperation,

Accreditation Department - Qatar Council for Healthcare Practitioners (QCHP)