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New Education Tracking Tool Offered to Licensed Real Estate Appraisers

Move will help facilitate continuing education audits of the profession

Madison, Wis. - The Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS) today announced CE Broker as the official continuing education tracking tool for licensed Real Estate Appraisers (REAs) in Wisconsin.

Using CE Broker is not required but DSPS is encouraging licensed REAs to start using it. CE Broker will be the primary tool used in federally required continuing education audits of REAs moving forward, and any licensee audited will be required to enter their continuing education credits in CE Broker. So, signing up for an account now will expediate any future audits.

“We piloted the use of CE Broker in the required audit of Real Estate Appraisers this Spring so 10% of REAs already signed up for this new tool to complete their audit, and it went well. We think the CE Broker platform can help simplify and streamline continuing education for these professionals” said DSPS Secretary Dan Hereth, noting that the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board moved to make CE Broker the primary continuing education tracking tool for state physicians earlier this year. “We believe REAs will find this tool useful, and we encourage them to offer any suggestions they have on making it work better.”

CE Broker offers a free Basic Account that provides access to everything needed to track continuing education and stay in compliance with requirements.

Key features of a free Basic Account include:

- **Digital Tracking** - Access complete continuing education course history, store certificates, and check compliance status anytime.
- **Course Search** - Easily find every course needed to successfully complete license renewal requirements.
- **Easy Reporting** - Most education providers will automatically report course completions to CE Broker. Physicians can also easily self-report any missing credits by uploading proof of completion.

- **Helpful Support** – CE Broker provides a team of experts, available Monday-Friday from 8am - 8pm EST via live chat, email, and phone.

“One of the main benefits of using CE Broker is the audit functionality. When a licensed REA is selected for their federally required audit, it will be very easy to check if required continuing education is reflected in CE Broker,” said Sec. Hereth

Professionals can also have the option to upgrade, for a fee, to higher-level accounts that offer services beyond those offered through the basic version.

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DSPS issues more than 240 unique licenses, administers dozens of boards and councils that regulate professions, enforces state building codes, and maintains the Wisconsin Enhanced Prescription Drug Monitoring Program, which is a key tool in the multi-faceted public health campaign to stem excessive opioid prescribing. A fee-based agency, DSPS is self-sustaining and receives no general fund tax dollars for its day-to-day operations. With three offices and 250 employees throughout Wisconsin, DSPS collaborates with constituents and stakeholders across a wide range of industries to promote safety and advance the economy.

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