

# ***MEDICAL SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK***

## ***Purpose and Goals of an Application for Accreditation/Reaccreditation***

### **Purpose**

The Application is fundamental to the generation of descriptive information and assessment of the CME Program and to the program's plans for future improvement. The Application forms the foundation for the Medical Society of the State of New York's Re-accreditation process.

### **Goals**

The goal is to provide an opportunity for the accredited provider to:

- Assess its commitment to and role in providing continuing medical education,
- Analyze its current practices,
- Identify areas for improvement,
- Determine its future direction and
- Effectively present the results to MSSNY for re-accreditation purposes.

The CME program coordinator is encouraged to assemble and/or seek information from stakeholders, (administration, faculty, attendees and other appropriate constituents to

- Collect and analyze data collected about what, why and how the CME program and its products and services are utilized;
- Assess how well they are performing and
- Identify changes made and improvements planned to enhance its work.

This process is most effective if the participants represent those involved in the organization's entire CME program.

MSSNY uses the application in addition to other data to evaluate the provider's ability to fulfill its educational mission effectively and comply with the System to Accredit and Monitor Providers of CME.

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