

NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY

Faculty of Law



**CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT (CPD)
POINTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL
HEALTH PRACTITIONERS (EHPs)**

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Law in Action

Healthcare practitioners have a responsibility to continually update their professional knowledge and skills. In order to assist practitioners in achieving this goal, the HPCSA has implemented a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) programme. Every practitioner is required to accumulate 30 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) per twelve-month period and five of the units must be on ethics, human rights and medical law. Each CEU will be valid for 24 months from the date on which the activity took place.

Nelson Mandela University's Centre for Law in Action (CLA) is accredited by the HPCSA (Accreditation number EHP004) to offer the following short learning programmes (SLPs) for Environmental Health Practitioners (EHPs) all of which carry CPD points as follows:

Name of SLP	Training days	CPD Allocation	Purpose of Training
Law Enforcement by Peace Officers (LEPO) NQF 5	4.5 days	21 CEUs as follows 18 General 3 Ethics	To provide EHPs with the knowledge required to promote and enforce health legislation. It equips them with the knowledge to undertake inspections of premises and to stop or prevent damaging or harmful activities and to ensure compliance with notices and implementation of corrective or alleviating measures where necessary.
Criminal Investigation: Investigation of Municipal Health Offences	4.5 days	25 CEUs as follows: 6 General 16 Legal 3 Ethics	To equip and empower EHPs with the knowledge and skills to conduct an investigation in terms of health legislation, to understand criminal law procedures, to present evidence in a court and to understand the judicial system.
Principles of Advanced Law Enforcement for Professional Staff (EHPs)	2.5 days	18 CEUs as follows: 8 General 5 Legal 5 Ethics	To provide theoretical and practical knowledge required for professional staff of municipalities such as Town Planners, Building Control Officers, Fire Chiefs and Environmental Managers to ensure compliance with the national, provincial and municipal legislation applicable to their functions as well as the implementation of administrative, civil and criminal enforcement measures available.
Introduction to Environmental Management Inspection (EMI) for Environmental Health Practitioners (EHPs)	2 days	13 General CEUs	To provide EHPs with basic knowledge, skills and theoretical competence in EMI.
Environmental Management Inspectorate (EMI) – Environmental Health Practitioner (EHP) Conversion training	5 days	27 General CEUs	To train EHPs (employed mainly at Municipalities) to be designated as Environmental Management Inspectors (EMIs).

The Centre for Law in Action regularly runs courses, either in Port Elizabeth or on site. To obtain further information about the courses please contact:

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