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ABPM Specialties & Subspecialties

• Specialty Areas of Preventive Medicine
  • Aerospace Medicine
  • Occupational and Environmental Medicine
  • Public Health and General Preventive Medicine

• Subspecialty Areas of Preventive Medicine
  • Addiction Medicine
  • Clinical Informatics
  • Medical Toxicology
  • Undersea & Hyperbaric Medicine
All ABPM Specialties & Subspecialties: Initial Certifications, 2014-2023

First Cohort of ABPM Clinical Informatics Diplomates certified in 2014
656
510
507
607
2014 2015 2016 2017 2018

First Cohort of ABPM Addiction Medicine Diplomates certified in 2018
1572
1010
1044
1186
988
896
2019 2020 2021 2022 2023
Specialty Certificates as Proportion of All Specialty Certificates

*Includes TL & NTL Certificates active as of January 2023

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Subspecialty Certificates as Proportion of All Subspecialty Certificates

ADM, 60%
CI, 36%
UHM, 4%
MT, 0%

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*Includes TL & NTL Certificates active as of January 2023
Specialty/Subspecialty Certificates as Proportion of Total

- Specialties account for **46.7%** of all Certificates, both TL and NTL
- Specialties account for **33.6%** of all TL Certificates

The pie chart shows the following distribution:

- ADM, 30%
- PHGPM, 19%
- OEM, 22%
- Cl, 18%
- AM, 5%
- UHM, 2%
- MT, 0%

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ABPM Network
American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS)

• A federation of 24 Member Boards including ABPM
• ABPM works collaboratively with the other 23 Member Boards to set joint policy and operational standards.
• ABPM is a separate and independent organization in the conduct of its business and chooses to cooperate within the federation.
• ABPM is obligated to comply with action items/standards determined by the ABMS Board of Directors
  • Continuing Certification Standards
Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)

- Preventive Medicine Review Committee (RC)
  - Specific to preventive medicine residencies
  - Sets the standards of accreditation for preventive medicine within the global ACGME accreditation standards

- Relationship with ABPM
  - ABPM provides candidates for RC member positions in each of the Specialty areas
  - ABPM’s Executive Director is an ex-officio member of the RC
  - ABPM worked with ACGME on:
    - The Milestones Project
    - Exceptionally Qualified International Medical Graduate designation
Specialty Societies

• Specialties:
  • Aerospace Medical Association (AsMA)
  • American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM)
  • American College of Preventive Medicine (ACPM)

• Subspecialties:
  • American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA)
  • American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM)
  • Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society (UHMS)
Program Directors

- Vital link between ABPM and next generation of Preventive Medicine physicians
  - First significant contact Residents/Fellows have with ABPM Diplomates
  - Communicate value of ABPM Certification and encourage Residents/Fellows to become Certified
  - Provide valuable information to ABPM via surveys, summits and other communication

- ABPM & Program Directors work together to advance the cause of Preventive Medicine Specialties & Subspecialties
  - PDs make up large proportion of item-writing subcommittee members
  - As ABPM Board members and/or Sub-board Chairs, PDs influence Board priorities and bring important experience and expertise to Board discussions
Certification Exam Update
ABPM Exam Registrations, 2013-2022*

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*“Total Exams” reflect only ABPM Candidates. There are 22 ABPath/ABEM candidates which are not reflected in the graph for 2022.
Exam Pass Rates, 2005-2022

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Alternative Residency/Fellowship Pathways
Combined Training Programs (CTPs)

• CTPs are residency programs that meet the program requirements of both a Preventive Medicine Specialty AND another ABMS Member Board’s Specialty.

  • CTPs must be approved by both ABPM and the other ABMS Member Board prior to accepting trainees

  • Find application form and other resources at https://www.theabpm.org/for-program-directors/combined-training-programs/
Integrated Training Experiences (ITEs)

- ITEs allow an individual physician to shorten their training time in two different ACGME-accredited fellowship programs.
  - ITEs must meet all program requirements for the ABPM fellowship program
  - ITE physician candidates must have current ABMS Member Board Certification
  - ITE physician candidates must meet all other ABPM eligibility criteria
  - Fellowship programs must obtain approval from ABPM for each ITE physician candidate

- If interested, please contact ABPM Staff at abpm@theabpm.org
Additional Information

• Full details of the requirements for each of the pathways is available on the website at www.theabpm.org.

• Online “Am I Eligible?” tool allows applicants to review their readiness to apply for Certification:

  https://www.theabpm.org/am-i-eligible/
Important Dates

Application Window Opens - March 15
Exam Registration Opens - May 24
Application Window Closes – June 30
Late Application Window Opens - July 1
Late Application Window Closes - July 15
Exam Registration Closes - September 15
Exam Administration – October 16 – November 5
Exam Results – Mid January 2024
New Physician Portal Launch
ABPM Online Physician Portal

• ABPM engaged with ACGI to provide an improved Diplomate and Applicant experience via new online Physician Portal
• Launched March 15, 2023
• Current Diplomates received login credentials by email
  • Didn’t receive email? Contact ABPM at abpm@theabpm.org
• Log in at http://abpm.acgisoftware.com/abpmssa/ssauthmain.login_page
Getting Started

New applicants should start by clicking the “New Account” link
My Dashboard

- Submit and check the status of an application
- Complete CCP requirements
- Review contact information
Submitting an Application

• Access the application through the ABPM website: www.theabpm.org

• In the “Become Certified” section, choose the appropriate specialty/subspecialty and pathway and click “Apply Now”

• Details provided in ABPM’s Program Director Guidebook
Completing Residency & Fellowship Verifications

• Completely online process
• You will receive an email with a unique ID and code for each verification you need to complete
Continuing Certification Program – Three-Phase Plan
Three-Phase Implementation of CCP

• Phase 1 – January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2024
• Phase 2 – January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2029
• Phase 3 – January 1, 2030, to December 31, 2039
Phase 1 Requirements
January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2024
At all times, ABPM Diplomates shall be required to maintain a full, valid, and unrestricted license to practice medicine in all states, territories or jurisdictions for which the Diplomate has a license to practice medicine.
Lifelong Professional Development

• 20 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ between January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2023
  • 6 of the 20 CME Credits must be specific to the Diplomate’s ABPM Certification(s)

• 20 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ between January 1, 2024, and December 31, 2024
  • 6 of the 20 CME Credits must be specific to the Diplomate’s ABPM Certification(s)

• Diplomates shall attest annually to completion of the CME requirement via the online “Attestation Form” on the ABPM Physician Portal.

• No audits will be conducted during Phase 1
ABPM Annual Fee

• Pay the Annual Fee using the ABPM Physician Portal by December 31.
Phase 2 Requirements
January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2029
Review of Professional Standing

At all times, ABPM Diplomates shall be required to maintain a full, valid, and unrestricted license to practice medicine in all states, territories or jurisdictions for which the Diplomate has a license to practice medicine.
Lifelong Professional Development

- **20 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™** annually regardless of the number of ABPM Certificates.
  - 6 of the 20 CME credits must be specific to a Diplomate’s ABPM Certification(s).
- Diplomates shall attest annually to completion of the CME requirement via the online “Attestation Form” on the ABPM Physician Portal.
- ABPM shall audit up to 5% of attestations for compliance.
  - Audits demonstrating non-compliance will result in Suspension of Diplomate’s ABPM Certification(s).
  - Diplomate shall have a period of six-months to complete the “missed” CME requirement.
  - Diplomates who timely complete “missed” CMEs will be subject to automatic audit for the next 2 calendar years.
  - If a Diplomate has not completed the “missed” CME requirement in the six-month period, that Diplomate’s Certification(s) shall be Revoked and the Diplomate will be subject to re-entry requirements.
LAP Transition Plan (Jan 1, 2025-Dec 31, 2029)

- All Time-Limited Diplomates shall be required to participate in the LAP.
- Answer 30 Specialty/Subspecialty questions annually
  - Diplomate with Multiple ABPM Certifications MUST participate in LAP for each Certificate
- Open-book: reference materials may be consulted
- There will be no time limit for a Diplomate’s response to an individual LAP item
  - Once a Diplomate “opens an item” the Diplomate must answer and cannot close the item (by closing the browser window) prior to submitting a response. Doing so will result in the response being marked incorrect.
- The extended LAP Pilot will be subject to industry-standard psychometric analysis for longitudinal assessment platforms. Each year the ABPM will determine a minimum passing score (MPS); Diplomates who achieve the MPS will pass that year’s LAP.
- Diplomates who fail to meet the MPS in 4 of the 5 administrations during Phase 2 shall be required to participate in a Remediation Activity.
ABPM Annual Fee

- Pay the Annual Fee using the ABPM Physician Portal by December 31.
Phase 3 Requirements
January 1, 2030, to December 31, 2039
CCP Requirements in Phase 3

- Pay administrative fee - Annual
- Maintain full, valid/unrestricted medical license – Annual
- Complete 20 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ - Annual
- Participate in LAP by answering 30 questions (untimed & open-book) – Annual
- Complete one Improvement in Health & Health Care (IHHC) activity designed to positively impact & improve a Diplomate’s practice – Once every 5 years
  - Specifics of the IHHC requirement subject to ABMS 3C approval
## Continuous Certification Process

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Find your specific requirements by visiting the Continuing Certification link on the ABPM website at [www.theabpm.org](http://www.theabpm.org)

* 5th-Year LAP waived for those Diplomates meeting Standard after 4th Year

*Subject to final approval by ABMS Continuing Certification Committee
Questions & Discussion