

AMERICAN BOARD OF PREVENTIVE MEDICINE



ANNUAL REPORT 2024



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LETTER FROM THE BOARD CHAIR



Dr. Heather O'Hara, Chair of ABPM's Board of Directors

Thank you for reading ABPM's 2024 Annual Report! We are excited to highlight the accomplishments of our organization over the past year. As we advance initiatives that align with ABPM's 2026 strategic goals, we recognize the ongoing collaborative efforts of our diplomates and other stakeholders, which contribute to the sustained stability and resilience of our specialty and the ABPM organization. The engagement and achievements realized over the years, particularly in recent years, have been substantial and were made possible through your support.

As we put this annual report together, 2024 proved to be another stellar year of achievements for ABPM and the preventive medicine specialty as a whole. The Board and

ABPM's staff have continued their active participation in important endeavors to ensure the overall advancement of our specialties and subspecialties. Excitingly, the first phase of the new Continuing Certification Program (CCP) was completed on December 31, 2024. The conclusion of this phase was celebrated with over 85% of time-limited diplomates participating!

During the CCP's first phase, we were busy developing a major part of the second phase: the Longitudinal Assessment Program (LAP). This was a monumental task, with over 75 volunteers working for two years to write, revise, and review the first set of LAP questions. I would like to express both my and the Board's sincere gratitude to these volunteers for their tireless efforts to create this brand-new program. They truly have launched ABPM into the future of physician assessment and lifelong learning.

I am also proud of another successful application and exam cycle in 2024. A highlight this year was the smooth launch of ABPM's newest subspecialty, Health Care Administration, Leadership, and Management (HALM). ABPM's sponsorship of this subspecialty reflects the convergence of preventive medicine specialists' skills and the skills necessary for successful healthcare leadership.

While these accomplishments underscore some of the remarkable work undertaken over the past year, another area of ongoing growth within ABPM is its endeavor to enhance the understanding of the diverse

expertise and critical roles that preventive medicine specialists play within healthcare systems, public health, and beyond. Collaborating with our stakeholders, the Board and ABPM staff have been instrumental in advocating for the essential work of our diplomates. We recognize the significant effort that remains and are dedicated to increasing awareness and visibility of our specialty and subspecialties.

As much as I enjoy looking back at ABPM's successes, it is just as important to take time to look ahead to the future. In 2025, ABPM will implement strategies to increase our engagement with both diplomates and preventive medicine residency and fellowship programs. You are likely to hear

more from us this year, particularly related to continuing certification – but we want to hear from you, too! Do you have feedback related to the CCP or LAP? What is the value of board certification to you? Do you have a unique preventive medicine career or testimonial you'd like to share with us and the ABPM community? Let us know! You can reach us anytime at abpm@theabpm.org.

Once again, thank you for reading ABPM's 2024 Annual Report. ABPM exists to serve ABPM physicians and to uphold high standards in preventive medicine – we can't do it without your support and engagement.

Yours in good health,
Heather O'Hara, MD, MSPH, FACOEM, FACPM



ABPM reaches out to its stakeholders by attending specialty societies' annual conferences.

OUR MISSION & PURPOSES

MISSION

ABPM's mission is to:

- Certify physicians practicing in a specialty and/or subspecialty of preventive medicine and to extend and support development of those Specialties and Subspecialties; and
- Extend, encourage, and enhance the study and the standards of practice, and advance the cause of preventive medicine and ABPM.

PURPOSES

ABPM's purposes are as set forth in its Certificate of Incorporation, and include the following:

- Establish and maintain high standards in preventive medicine including the specialty and subspecialty areas of Aerospace Medicine; Occupational and Environmental Medicine; Public Health and General Preventive Medicine; Addiction Medicine; Clinical Informatics; Health Care Administration, Leadership, and Management; Medical Toxicology; and Undersea and Hyperbaric Medicine; and other related medical specialty areas;
- Develop and administer examinations and otherwise evaluate physicians applying for Certification and Continuing Certification in preventive medicine, its specialty and subspecialty areas and other related medical specialty areas;
- Grant and issue Certificates or other recognition of knowledge and skills in preventive medicine and its specialty and subspecialty areas and other related medical specialties and to suspend or revoke the same when appropriate; and
- Enhance, encourage and engage in programs and practices related to the improvement of diversity, equity, and inclusion of all ABPM Diplomates.



2024 HIGHLIGHTS

For the latest news from ABPM, check the ABPM website at www.theabpm.org and follow us on [LinkedIn](#).

ABPM SUPPORTS BIPARTISAN LEGISLATION TO FUND GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION IN ADDICTION MEDICINE

ABPM is proud to join the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), the American Board of Medical Specialties, and many other organizations in support of the Substance Use Disorder Workforce Act of 2024.

The Substance Use Disorder Workforce Act, which has gained bipartisan support, would provide much-needed funding to create 1,000 new graduate medical education positions over five years in accredited programs in Addiction Medicine, Addiction Psychiatry, and Pain Medicine. As the United States faces both record numbers of drug overdose deaths and a severe physician shortage, this legislation is a significant step towards expanding the ranks of physicians caring for Americans suffering from substance use disorder.

“The Substance Use Disorder Workforce Act of 2024 would offer vital funding to train physicians, including Addiction Medicine specialists, whose expertise is imperative in the fight against the current opioid epidemic,” said Wendy E. Braund, MD, MPH, MEd, FACPM, ABPM’s then-current Chair. “ABPM fully supports the work of AAMC and the Graduate Medical Education Advocacy Coalition as they advocate for this important legislation.”

OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL MEDICINE, PUBLIC HEALTH AND GENERAL PREVENTIVE MEDICINE JOIN “THE MATCH”

The specialties of Occupational and Environmental Medicine and Public Health and General Preventive Medicine are now included in the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP). ABPM applauds the American College of Preventive Medicine (ACPM), the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM), and residency programs in both specialties for their efforts in this important endeavor.



FORMER CHAIR OF ABPM'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS NAMED TO THE U.S. PREVENTIVE SERVICES TASK FORCE



Dr. Tonette Krousel-Wood

ABPM congratulates Tonette Krousel-Wood, MD, MSPH, on her appointment to the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force. Her four-year term

began in January 2024.

Dr. Krousel-Wood has served with distinction on ABPM's Board of Directors, including as Chair, and recently served as the President of the American College of Preventive Medicine (ACPM). She is a professor of medicine and the Jack Aron-endowed chair in primary care medicine at Tulane School of Medicine Department of Medicine where she holds many other leadership positions.

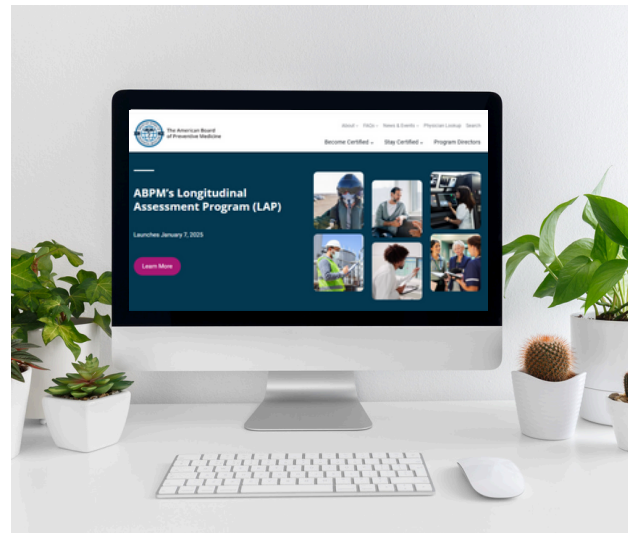
The Task Force comprises 16 independent, volunteer members with nationally recognized expertise in prevention and evidence-based medicine. The Task Force works to improve the health of the American population by reviewing and making recommendations about preventive medicine services.

ABPM BEGINS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS, OFFERING EXAM FOR HALM CERTIFICATION

ABPM began accepting applications for the Healthcare Administration, Leadership, and

Management (HALM) subspecialty certification exam on March 13, 2024. HALM certification through ABPM is open to physicians who are currently certified in an ABPM specialty or subspecialty and who meet the eligibility criteria.

Physicians who are certified by the American Board of Anesthesiology (ABA) or the American Board of Family Medicine (ABFM) must apply through their respective Board; physicians who are certified by an ABMS Member Board other than ABPM, ABA, or ABFM must apply through the American Board of Emergency Medicine (ABEM).



ABPM UNVEILS UPDATED WEBSITE

ABPM is proud to unveil our updated website! Find all the same helpful content, organized with a new, user-friendly design. In addition to providing information for applicants and diplomates, the updated website now has a section specifically for residency and fellowship program directors. Check it out at www.theabpm.org.

AEROSPACE MEDICINE SPECIALIST FINDS LIMITLESS POSSIBILITIES IN COMMERCIAL SPACE TRAVEL



Dr. Michael Harrison

No doubt you have heard of the forays by private companies like SpaceX and Axiom Space into orbits previously only traversed by government-funded entities like NASA. Dr. Michael Harrison, an ABPM diplomate certified in Aerospace Medicine, has extensive experience supporting commercial spaceflight crews, and is optimistic about the expanded exploration and innovation that commercial spaceflight promises.

Dr. Harrison discussed his path to the field of Aerospace Medicine, the opportunities and challenges commercial spaceflight offers, and much more, with ABPM by email.

Dr. Harrison's journey to the specialty of Aerospace Medicine "has been long, at times unusual or surprising, and always rewarding." His career in medicine began

with an interest in exercise physiology, in which he earned a Master's degree and a PhD. "My interest and training in exercise physiology exposed me to what would become my career passion and theme through my experiences – human physiology and performance in extreme environments," he says. As an instrument-rated pilot and a NITROX-certified rescue diver, he became "fascinated with how changes in temperature, humidity, and other environmental stresses can have big impacts on the expected physiological response and, as a result, have an effect upon performance. More importantly, I was fascinated with how a properly trained professional could mitigate these stresses and the associated challenges."

He went on to medical school, becoming an emergency and critical care physician, and eventually completing Aerospace Medicine training. "Through more training and personal experience in flight and high-altitude environments, hyperbaric and diving activities, and a medical career in high-acuity clinical settings that eventually led to supporting numerous commercial spaceflight missions across multiple companies, I have been rewarded with a challenging and exciting career path. No two days are alike – there are many days where I am in awe of the people I meet and work with and incredulous that I get paid to do what I do."

Read the full story

<https://www.theabpm.org/aerospace-medicine-specialist-finds-limitless-possibilities-in-commercial-space-travel/>

ABPM DIPLOMATE'S CAREER SPANS MEDICINE AND THE SILVER SCREEN



Dr. Catherine Roberts

Dr. Catherine “Cat” Roberts, certified by ABPM in Clinical Informatics, has had the unique opportunity to pursue seemingly disparate passions: medicine and acting. By day she diagnoses, analyzes, and intervenes, but off the clock, she transforms into a seasoned actress, taking on roles ranging from a spaceship communications officer to a criminal mastermind.

Her path to a career in medicine began at an early age, kindled by an intense interest in science. “When I was little, I always wished I could look inside people when something was wrong with them,” she says. “It was more than just curiosity – it was an early fascination with the intricate workings of the human body.”

Dr. Roberts’ journey ultimately led her to the

subspecialty of Clinical Informatics, which, as she explains, “bridges medicine and technology, allowing me to analyze data, improve patient care, and contribute to medical advancements – it’s the future of healthcare.”

A Christmas gift was the initial spark that ignited her passion for acting. She was given a walk-on role on *Star Trek Continues*, an award-winning, fan-made continuation of the original Star Trek series. Dr. Roberts’ first on-screen appearance was playing Lieutenant Palmer in episode three, “Fairest of Them All.”

In one of her most recent projects, Dr. Roberts advanced from a supporting cast member to a leading lady. In *The Five*, a recently released Western, she plays a woman who incites five men to commit a crime. “My supporting actress roles were an honor each time but stepping into the lead felt like stepping onto a new planet. It was a universe unto itself, and I was the captain.”

When it comes to characters she’d love to play, Dr. Roberts names Lieutenant M’Ress of Star Trek, Lady Margot Fenring from the *Dune* series, Dr. Andrea Cooper from Ben Mezrich’s book, *Sex on the Moon*, and Virginia Clementine from Rhet Reese’s novel, *Anxiety*. She says, “These characters’ perspectives, their strength, their struggles – there’s so much depth to explore.”

Read the full story

<https://www.theabpm.org/diplomate-spotlight-dr-catherine-cat-roberts/>

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

ABPM's five-year strategic plan, which extends from 2022 to 2026, focuses on five major priorities. Here are just some of ABPM's 2024 accomplishments towards its strategic goals.

Administer Initial Certification Exams

- Processed 1,582 initial certification applications in 2024, a year-over-year increase of 47.4%.
- Administered 1,227 initial certification exams in 2024 across all ABPM specialties and subspecialties
- Launched the Health Care Administration, Leadership, and Management (HALM) subspecialty
- Convened each exam subcommittee to develop and review test questions

Develop, launch, and maintain the Continuing Certification Program (CCP)

- Attended all specialty society annual conferences to promote the CCP
- Leveraged ABPM's social media platform to communicate the transition from Maintenance of Certification (MOC) to CCP
- Convened all six Longitudinal Assessment Program (LAP) subcommittees to develop and review LAP questions.

Enhance the visibility and awareness of preventive medicine specialties and subspecialties

- Updated ABPM's public website in October 2024
- Hosted the annual Program Director Summit



As part of ABPM's CCP communication campaign, ABPM staff, Ms. Marzena Marciniac and Ms. Mia Katzenberger, attended the 2024 American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA) Symposium.

- Held the annual Stakeholder Engagement Meeting in December 2024, attended by representatives of each specialty society

Advocate for and promote the value of ABPM board certification

- Highlighted American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) "Value of Board Certification" resources on ABPM website

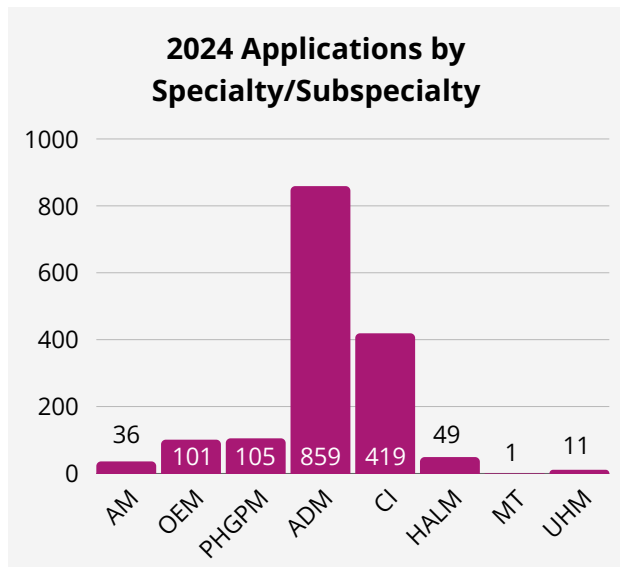
Pursue excellence in organizational administration and governance.

- Reviewed financial performance with the Board of Directors. See the Financials section of this report for details.
- Launched comprehensive IT solution, including enhancements to the application platform, Physician Portal, and cybersecurity protocols.
- Investigated growth opportunities
- Developed the Board succession planning tool.

2024 APPLICATIONS & EXAMS

APPLICATIONS

In 2024, ABPM received 1,582 applications for its certification exams. Continuing the trend of recent years, subspecialty exam applications exceeded applications for specialty exams: nearly 85% of all applications submitted to ABPM in 2024 were for a subspecialty certification exam. Over half of all applications were for the Addiction Medicine (ADM) certification exam alone.



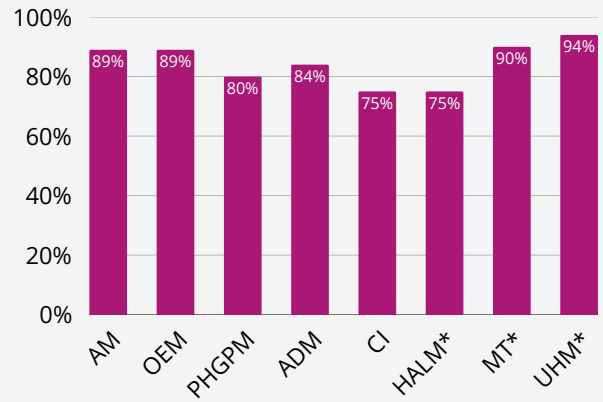
Notably, ABPM received 49 applications for its newest subspecialty certification exam, Health Care Administration, Leadership, and Management (HALM) in 2024.

EXAMS

1,264 ABPM candidates registered for initial certification exams in 2024:

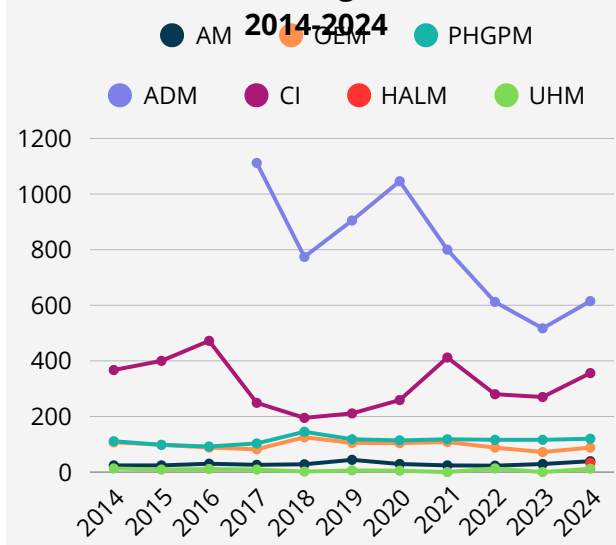
- Aerospace Medicine (AM): 39
- Occupational & Environmental Medicine (OEM): 88
- Public Health & General Preventive Medicine (PHGPM): 120

2024 Specialty & Subspecialty Initial Certification Overall Exam Pass Rates



- Addiction Medicine (ADM): 615
- Clinical Informatics (CI): 356
- Health Care Administration, Leadership, and Management (HALM): 33
- Medical Toxicology (MT): 1
- Undersea and Hyperbaric Medicine (UHM): 12

ABPM Exam Registrations, 2014-2024



*HALM, MT, and UHM pass rates include examinees who applied through ABPM and other ABMS member boards.

CONTINUING CERTIFICATION



Aerospace Medicine



Public Health & General Preventive Medicine



Occupational & Environmental Medicine



Addiction Medicine



Clinical Informatics



Undersea & Hyperbaric Medicine

ABPM PREPARES TO LAUNCH LONGITUDINAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM IN 2025

ABPM is grateful for the tireless work of its Longitudinal Assessment Program (LAP) subcommittees as they prepared for the 2025 LAP launch.

From June through August 2024, the six LAP subcommittees met to review, revise, and approve questions for their respective specialty/subspecialty's LAP. The subcommittees, which consist of practicing ABPM-certified physicians, began their work in January 2023.

The subcommittees endeavor to create LAP questions that reflect either day-to-day practice of or fundamental knowledge in an ABPM specialty/subspecialty. After the LAP launches, the subcommittees will review diplomate feedback and revise their question writing as appropriate.

The LAP launched for all ABPM diplomates with time-limited certificates on January 7, 2025.

Learn more about ABPM's LAP at <https://www.theabpm.org/continuing-certification-program-ccp/>.

JOIN ABPM STAFF FOR IN-PERSON CCP Q & A SESSIONS

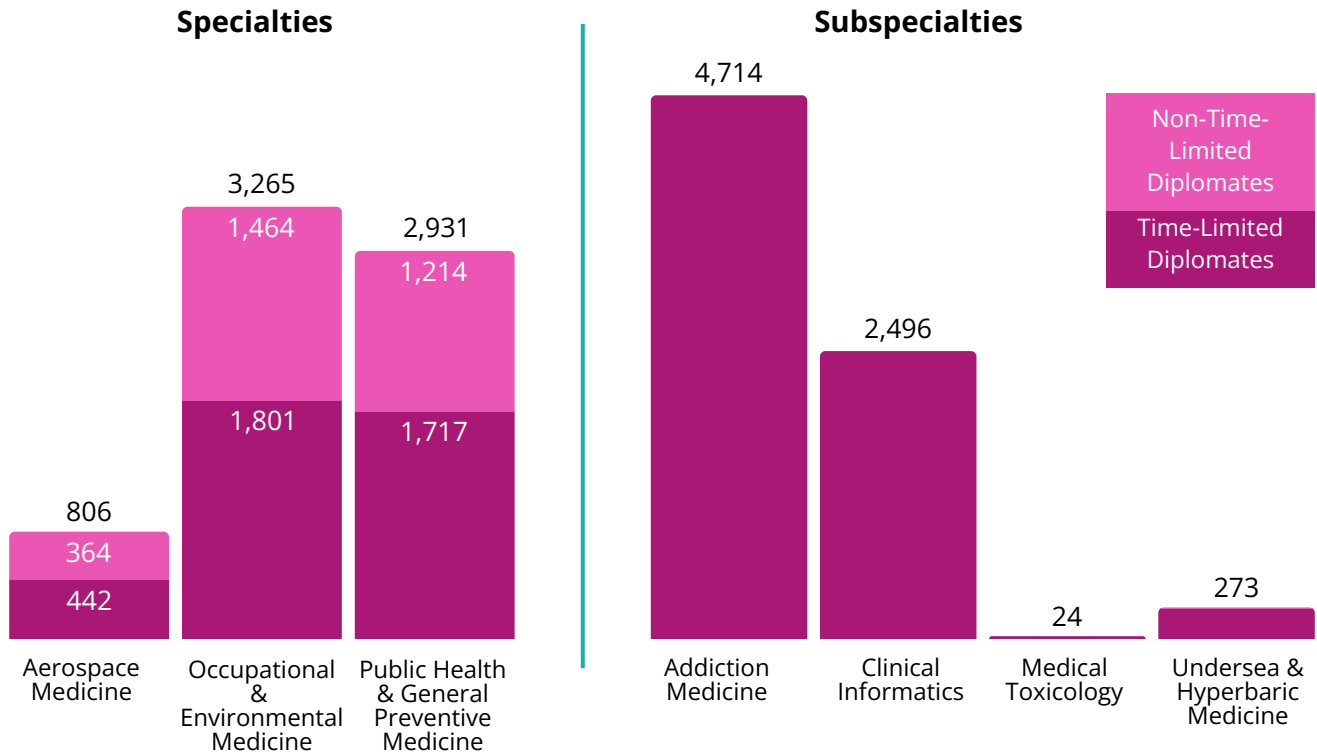
If you're attending one of these 2025 conferences, be sure to join ABPM for special sessions where staff will answer your questions about continuing certification and the LAP.

- Aerospace Medical Association/Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society Annual Scientific Meeting - June 3 & 4, 2025, at 1pm
- American Society of Addiction Medicine Annual Conference - April 25, 2025, at 2:30pm
- Preventive Medicine 2025 Conference - TBD
- American Medical Informatics Annual Symposium - TBD

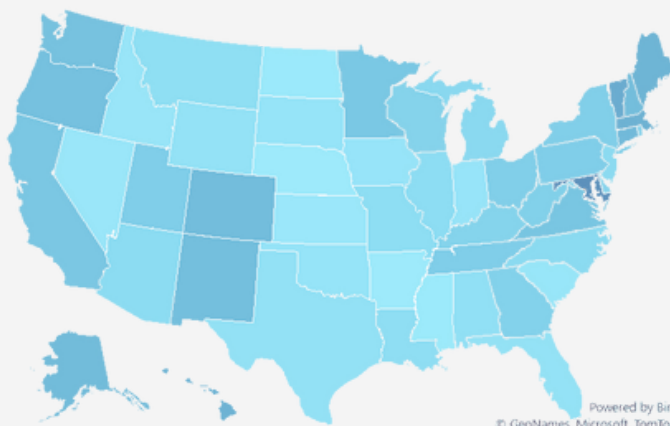
DIPLOMATE STATISTICS

ACTIVE CERTIFICATES AS OF JANUARY 1, 2024

As of January 2024, 48% of all current ABPM certifications were in a specialty while 52% were in a subspecialty.



ABPM DIPLOMATES PER 10,000 POPULATION BY US STATE



Most Diplomates by Population

District of Columbia	2.1
Maryland	1.0
Vermont	.79
Massachusetts	.74
Hawaii	.73

Fewest Diplomates by Population

Nebraska	.18
Arkansas	.18
Mississippi	.19
North Dakota	.20
Kansas	.21

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FINANCIAL STATUS

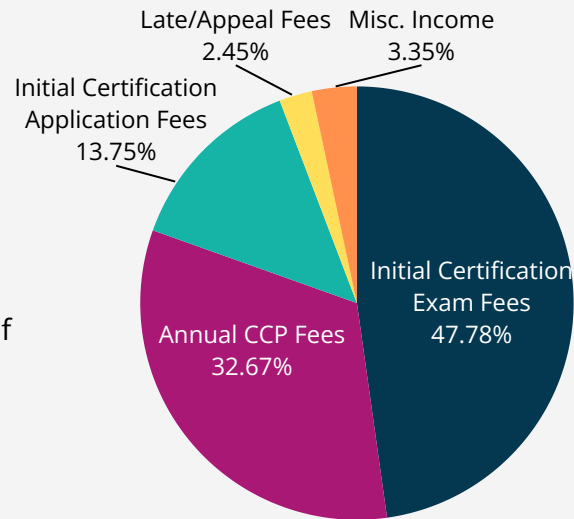
Find additional details on ABPM's financial status at www.guidestar.org where our required filing as a nonprofit organization (Form 990) is posted.

INCOME

ABPM has established and continues to maintain a stable financial foundation to sustain its mission and goals.

In 2024, ABPM ranked:

- 15th of the 24 ABMS Member Boards as measured by total Diplomate population size;*
- 15th as measured by revenue, exclusive of investment income (up from 16th in 2023);**
- 11th as measured by total cash, savings, and investments (up from 15th in 2023).

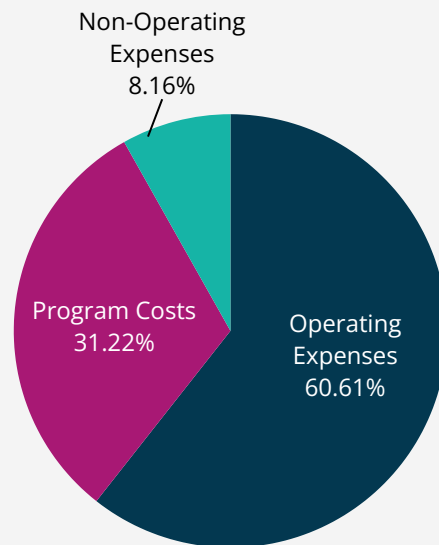


EXPENSES

In 2024, ABPM ranked 22st of the 24 ABMS Member Boards in terms of staff compensation as a percentage of revenue (excluding investment income).**

ABPM's prudent financial management allows it to prioritize improving and maintaining its programs for applicants, Examinees, and Diplomates.

In 2025, ABPM anticipates investing resources to support diplomate programs like continuing certification, advocate for preventive medicine specialties and subspecialties, and increase engagement with its stakeholders.



*According to the 2023-2024 ABMS Board Certification Report

**Per the most recent IRS Form 990 filed by each ABMS Member Board

BOARD OF DIRECTORS UPDATES

HEATHER O'HARA, MD, MSPH, FACOEM, FACPM, BEGINS TERM AS BOARD CHAIR

Heather O'Hara MD, MSPH, FACOEM, FACPM, officially began her term as Chair at the conclusion of ABPM's Board of Directors meeting on August 10, 2024. Dr. O'Hara has served on the Board since August 2019 and as Chair-Elect since August 2023.



Dr. O'Hara with ABPM CEO, Christopher J. Ondrula, JD

Dr. O'Hara is an Occupational and Environmental Medicine physician at John Cochran VA Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri. She previously served as Medical Director at Memorial Occupational Health clinic in Decatur, Illinois, and an Associate Professor in the Department of Family and Community

Medicine, the Medical Director of Student and Employee Health, and the Program Director of the Occupational and Preventive Medicine Residencies at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee.

Dr. O'Hara will continue in her role as Chair of the Board through the end of her term in August 2027.

ABPM WELCOMES NEW DIRECTORS TO ITS BOARD

ABPM was pleased to welcome two new members of its Board of Directors at the August 2024 meeting.

Pamela L. Krahl, MD, MPH, FACOEM, and Michele A. Soltis, MD, MPH, FACPM, were confirmed as Directors on ABPM's Board in January 2024. They began their terms immediately upon the conclusion of the August 2024 Board of Directors meeting.

Michele A. Soltis, MD, MPH, FACPM



Dr. Michele A. Soltis

Dr. Soltis has served as the Chief Consultant to the Army Surgeon General since April 2022. She has also served as the Preventive Medicine Specialty Consultant to the Army Surgeon

General since July 2021. In addition, she chairs the Joint Preventive Medicine Policy Group for the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs. She maintains ABPM certification in Public Health and General Preventive Medicine.

Dr. Soltis has made valuable contributions to ABPM's certification exam as a member of ABPM's Public Health and General Preventive Medicine Exam Subcommittee since 2018. She is also actively involved as a volunteer on several American College of Preventive Medicine (ACPM) committees.

Pamela L. Krahl, MD, MPH, FACOEM



Dr. Pamela L. Krahl

Dr. Krahl recently joined the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, DC, as the Associate Director for Occupational Health Services, having retired from the US Navy in September 2023

following 33 years of service. She is an Associate Professor in the Department of Preventive Medicine and Biostatistics at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland, where she previously directed the Occupational and Environmental Medicine residency for seven years.

Dr. Krahl maintains certification in Occupational and Environmental Medicine by ABPM and in Internal Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine. She has been a productive member of ABPM's

Occupational and Environmental Medicine Examination Subcommittee since 2021. In addition, she has held multiple leadership positions at the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM), including as a member of ACOEM's Council on Membership. Dr. Krahl is a Fellow of both ACOEM and the American College of Physicians (ACP).

Learn More

Read ABPM's interviews with [Dr. Soltis](#) and [Dr. Krahl](#).

BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPOINTS NEW AT-LARGE SUB-BOARD COMMITTEE CHAIR-ELECT

At its January 2024 meeting, ABPM's Directors voted to add an At-Large Sub-Board Committee Chair-Elect Member to the Board's membership. ABPM is pleased to



Dr. Jeffrey Hoffman

announce that it has appointed Jeffrey M. Hoffman, MD, FAAP, FAMIA, to the new position. The addition of Dr. Hoffman to the Board of Directors brings its total membership to 15 and increases the

representation of subspecialties in its discussions and decisions.

Dr. Hoffman has served as ABPM's Clinical Informatics Sub-Board Chair since 2022. In

this role, he leads the exam question-writing efforts of the Sub-Board and chairs the Clinical Informatics Longitudinal Assessment Program (LAP) subcommittee.

Dr. Hoffman is a Clinical Professor of Pediatrics and Chief of the Division of Clinical Informatics at Nationwide Children's Hospital and The Ohio State University College of Medicine in Columbus, Ohio. He also serves as Nationwide Children's Hospital's Chief Medical Information Officer, an executive leadership position he has held since 2012.

Dr. Hoffman's term as At-Large Sub-Board Committee Chair-Elect began immediately upon the conclusion of the January 2024 Board of Directors meeting.

WENDY BRAUND, MD, MPH, MSED, FACPM, AND JEFFREY L. LEVIN, MD, DRPH, RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR SERVICE TO THE BOARD

Wendy Braund, MD, MPH, MSED, FACPM, and Jeffrey L. Levin, MD, DrPH, completed their terms on ABPM's Board of Directors at the conclusion of the Interim Board Meeting in August 2024. Both ABPM's Board and Staff are honored to have worked with these passionate advocates for preventive medicine and board certification.

Dr. Braund's term on the Board began in 2014; she served as Board Chair for three years beginning in August 2021. During her term, Dr. Braund successfully led ABPM through significant changes, including the transition to continuing certification. She navigated the Board through challenges with aplomb, keeping ABPM's mission as the guiding star.



Drs. Braund and Levin in August 2024

Dr. Levin served on the Board since 2015, including as Treasurer from August 2016 through August 2021. Known for his visionary leadership, his thoughtful contributions to Board discussions, and his congeniality, Dr. Levin's wisdom was an invaluable asset to the Board.

ABPM DIRECTOR APPOINTED CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD



Dr. Paul "PJ" Jung with his sons at his promotion ceremony in July 2024

ABPM's Board and staff congratulated Director Paul "PJ" Jung, MD, MPH, upon his appointment as the Chief Medical Officer of the United States Coast Guard and promotion to Assistant Surgeon General (Rear Admiral, Upper Half) in the U.S. Public

Health Service this past year. He assumed his new duties in July 2024.

Dr. Jung has held numerous positions throughout his career, including Director of the Division of Medicine and Dentistry in the Health Resources and Services Administration, Public Health Investigator with the House Energy & Commerce Committee, Medical Officer in the Office of the Surgeon General, and Associate Director of the Peace Corps.

Dr. Jung joined ABPM's Board in August 2023 and is certified in Public Health and General Preventive Medicine.

MORE NEWS FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- ABPM promoted its Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) task force to a full standing committee in 2024. The committee is currently determining its upcoming priorities and goals.
- ABPM recently formed the Ambassador Council, a group of former Directors of the Board whose terms ended within the previous five years. This group of leaders will share their experiences as preventive medicine physicians with medical students, mid-career physicians, and others to support ongoing efforts of advocating for our specialties and subspecialties.
- For the latest Board news, check www.theabpm.org and [follow us on LinkedIn](#).



ABPM's Board of Directors in 2023

ABPM TO SEEK NOMINATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN 2025

ABPM will issue a call for nominations this summer for two positions on its Board of Directors: an Aerospace Medicine Director and an Addiction Medicine Sub-Board Chair.

If you or a colleague meet the criteria to be a great Board member, please contact ABPM at abpm@theabpm.org.

AEROSPACE MEDICINE DIRECTOR QUALIFICATIONS

Nominees must be:

- A physician holding a valid and unrestricted license in all states where they practice medicine;
- Currently certified by ABPM in Aerospace Medicine;
- Actively practicing Aerospace Medicine.

ADDICTION MEDICINE SUB-BOARD CHAIR QUALIFICATIONS

Nominees must be:

- A physician holding a valid and unrestricted license in all states where they practice medicine;
- Currently certified by ABPM in Addiction Medicine;
- Actively practicing Addiction Medicine.

ABPM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board is a non-profit corporation, and no member (officer or director) may receive any salary or compensation for services.

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Joanna Nelms, MD, MPH

Public Member

George T. Roberts, Jr., MHA



Dr. Wendy Braund and Dr. John Meyer at the August 2024 Board meeting



Dr. Jeffrey Levin and Dr. Brent Klein at the August 2024 Board meeting

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Karen R. Studer, MD, MBA, MPH

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Sub-Board Chair, Addiction Medicine

Michael Weaver, MD

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Sub-Board Chair, Clinical Informatics

Jeffrey M. Hoffman, MD

Sub-Board Chair, Undersea and Hyperbaric Medicine

Laurie Gesell, MD

THANK YOU TO OUR 2024 VOLUNTEERS!

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Steven Gaydos
Sanjay Gogate
Theresa Goodman
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Public Health & General Preventive Medicine Exam Subcommittee

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Vinita Magoon
Carolyn Murray
Olugbenga Obasanjo
Michele Soltis
Karen Studer

Occupational & Environmental Medicine Exam Subcommittee

Jeffrey Levin, Chair
Robert Bourgeois
Pamela Krahl
John Meyer
Sudha Pandalai
David Rainey
Dallas Shi
Sacha St. Hill Gutierrez
Tanisha Taylor
Eric Wood

Core Exam Subcommittee

Beth Baker, Chair
Kathy Byrd
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