



American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, Inc.

A Member Board of the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS)

Update on

Maintenance of Certification

MOC Requirement Credit Now Transferable

Good news for diplomates involved in more than one Board: Those who currently meet another ABMS Member Board's MOC activity requirements (such as any CME, SA and/or PIP activities) may receive ABPN credit for those activities. Diplomates are required to pass the ABPN MOC exam and pay the annual fee.

MOC Activity Waiver for Fellowship Training

A three-year block of C-MOC requirements (CME, SA and PIP) will be waived for diplomates who graduated from an ACGME-accredited subspecialty fellowship training program in 2011 or later and who pass the corresponding ABPN subspecialty exam. Diplomates will receive a three-year block MOC activity waiver for the current block they are in at the time of passing the subspecialty exam. Upon passing the subspecialty exam, diplomates will see the waiver reflected in their Physician Folios account. Diplomates are required to pay the annual fee.

Use Your Folios Account to Attest to MOC Activities and Pay the Annual Fee

Diplomates who are in the C-MOC Program must attest to completed MOC activities (CME, SA and PIP) and pay the annual fee within their Folios account on the ABPN website. This fee gives credit towards one MOC exam in a 10-year period, Maintenance of Board Certification status, and a customized Folios account. See www.abpn.com.

2016 Patient Safety Requirement

Beginning in 2016, diplomates who certify or recertify will be required to complete an approved Patient Safety Course either prior to board certification or in the first C-MOC block (2017-2019). See our website for more information.

? Questions on MOC?

- * Call the ABPN at 847.229.6512
- * Or email us at questions@abpn.com
- * Office hours M-F 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. CST
- * Visit www.abpn.com or your Folios account to learn more

Modification to 10-Year MOC Activity Requirement

ABPN has modified the number of requirements for diplomates who are currently in the 10-year MOC program (physicians who took an exam prior to 2012).

To apply for a recertification/MOC exam in 2016-2021, the requirements now include:

- 300 Category one CME credits, including 24 CME credits from self-assessment activities
- One PIP unit

If you have already completed more than 24 SA CME or more than 1 PIP unit during the **three years prior** to the MOC exam, you may apply the additional credits to your first C-MOC block.

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The Latest Improvements to the MOC Program

Simplified Requirement for Improvement in Medical Practice (PIP) Feedback Module

For the Feedback Module portion of a PIP unit, diplomates are no longer required to complete patient feedback AND peer feedback.

Diplomates may choose from **ONE** of the following options:

- Patient feedback from five patients,
- Peer feedback from five peers,
- Resident evaluation from five respondents,
- 360 degree evaluation from five respondents,
- Institutional peer review from five respondents or
- Supervisor evaluation from one supervisor

Sample forms are available on the ABPN website. Visit abpn.com for more information.

More Options for Self-Assessment

As of 2014, the Board may waive eight Self-Assessment (SA) CME through completion of specific non-CME activities. Up to sixteen SA CME may be waived per each three-year MOC block with two different non-CME SA activities.

Examples of acceptable non-CME SA activities include:

- Passing an ABPN certification or MOC exam
- Approved scientific grant application
- Peer reviewed journal article indexed in MEDLINE
- Non-CME self-assessment exams that are part of patient safety courses
- Four hours of peer supervision with documented feedback
- Peer review with documented feedback

Note: Diplomates in C-MOC must complete the approved non-CME SA activity **during the block for which they are earning non-CME SA credit**. Diplomates in the 10-year MOC program (who are due to recertify 2015-2021) must complete the non-CME SA activities **within the three years prior to applying for the MOC examination**.

Visit abpn.com for more information on the new SA options.
