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**AMERICAN BOARD OF PSYCHIATRY AND NEUROLOGY
ISSUES REPORT ON 2016 CRUCIAL ISSUES FORUM**

May 31, 2016, Buffalo Grove, Illinois --- The [American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, Inc.](http://www.abpn.com) (ABPN) has issued an eight-page report, documenting speaker presentations and discussion summaries from the 2016 ABPN Crucial Issues Forum, held April 10-11, 2016 in Chicago. This year's forum explored innovations and improvements to the requirements for physician maintenance of certification.

Four plenary speakers led the presentations on the first day. Drs. Larry Faulkner (ABPN), Darrell Kirch (Association of American Medical Colleges), Graham McMahon (Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education) and Lois Margaret Nora (American Board of Medical Specialties) gave their perspectives on the current status and future direction for promotion and documentation of physician competence.

Later in the day, Drs. Earl J. Reisdorff (American Board of Emergency Medicine), George A. Wendel (American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology) and Richard G. Battaglia (American Board of Internal Medicine) discussed recent MOC innovations from their respective boards.

On the second day, small group discussion sessions were held and conclusions were reported, addressing ways to improve ABPN MOC program components.

The ABPN Crucial Issues Forum, held each spring in the Chicago area, brings together representatives of psychiatry, neurology and child neurology organizations along with a select group of diplomates in clinical practice, and the ABPN Directors and senior staff to gain insight and participate in discussions on important psychiatry and neurology topics.

A PDF version of the [2016 ABPN Crucial Issues Forum report](#) is available on the ABPN website. Printed copies are also available upon request.

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