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ABPN MOC Part III Pilot Project to Begin in 2019

- As first announced in a <u>September 2017 press release</u>, the ABPN MOC Part III Pilot Project is a professional journal article-based assessment activity designed as an optional alternative to the current secure, proctored 10-year MOC examination. A select number of eligible ABPN diplomates will be emailed invitations to participate in mid-December 2017 and the project will begin in 2019. The Pilot Project will run for 3 years, from 2019-2021 and, if approved by the ABMS, the ABPN plans to transition diplomates into this program in 2022 as a permanent alternative to the secure MOC examination.
- See our <u>website</u> for more information.

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

Attestation Required for Those in 2015-2017 Continuous MOC Block

- For those diplomates whose first block of C-MOC activities is ending December 31st of this year, be sure to access the Activity Attestation tab in your <u>ABPN Physician Folios account</u> to attest to completed activities and pay your annual fee.
- Diplomates must have a current, unexpired medical license listed in their Folios account.
- Diplomates in this block have been sent multiple MOC status reminders over the years.
- Diplomates in this block whose MOC activities are incomplete will see their certification status changed to "Certified Not Meeting MOC requirements" on January 1, 2018.

Name of Psychosomatic Medicine subspecialty certification to change to Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry in 2018

- Based on requests from practitioners in the field, the name of the ABPN subspecialty of Psychosomatic Medicine will change to Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry, effective January 1, 2018. The new subspecialty name will not affect previous Psychosomatic Medicine certificate holders, whose certification status will remain the same.
- See the <u>recent announcement</u> for more information.

2018 and 2019 Exam Schedule Now Available

- The latest ABPN exam schedule with most 2018 and 2019 exam dates is now available.
- ABPN offers both Spring and Fall exam dates for select MOC exams to give diplomates more choice within a given year.
- See <u>our website</u> for more information.

Digital Reproduction of ABPN Certificates

- The ABPN is aware of recent activities by individuals who have copied or altered certificates to falsely claim to be Board certified.
- See this <u>memo</u> with recommendations on how to protect your own Board-certified designation.

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