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**ABPN ANNOUNCES NEW SUBSPECIALTY CERTIFICATE
IN NEUROCRITICAL CARE**

June 28, 2018, Deerfield, Illinois --- The American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, Inc. (ABPN) has received approval from the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) to offer a certificate in the subspecialty of Neurocritical Care.

The medical specialty of Neurocritical Care is devoted to the comprehensive multisystem care of the critically ill patient with neurological diseases and conditions.

Upon the request of the Neurocritical Care Society and the American Academy of Neurology, ABPN submitted an application for a new subspecialty to the ABMS, which was formally approved at their June 2018 Board of Directors meeting. The ABPN will now submit a proposal to the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) for accreditation recognition of the Neurocritical Care subspecialty.

The subspecialty certificate will be administered by the ABPN but also offered to eligible diplomates of the American Board of Anesthesiology, the American Board of Emergency Medicine and the American Board of Neurological Surgery.

There will be a 6-year practice pathway for neurologists, neurosurgeons, anesthesiologists, and emergency medicine physicians who are certified in Neurocritical Care by the UCNS or CAST, have completed a “fellowship” in Neurocritical Care (UCNS, CAST, or other non-accredited fellowship), or who document required practice experiences. The practice pathway will start at the time the first exam is offered. Eligible pathway criteria will be published on the [ABPN website](http://www.abpn.com) by the end of 2018, with the first administration of the exam in either 2020 or 2021.

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