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ACGME APPROVES SUBSPECIALTY TRAINING IN NEUROCRITICAL CARE

May 2, 2019, Deerfield, Ill. --- The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) approved the ABPN's proposal to accredit fellowship programs in the new subspecialty of Neurocritical Care at a February 2019 meeting.

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

Eligible pathway criteria is available on the <u>ABPN website</u> and the first administration of the exam will be in 2021. In order to obtain ABPN certification in NCC, an eligible physician must sit for and pass the ABPN NCC examination regardless of past/other certifications in NCC.

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.

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.

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