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News You Can Use

The **news message box** on the BCD home page includes important information for our customers. Those messages can also be accessed from the **scrolling headlines** across the top of the site after login. **Be sure to review the messages**, but if you missed any recently below is a recap.

- The American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM) now recognizes a **Focused Practice in Hospital Medicine**. The records for those diplomates include a designation (blue arrowhead) of Focused Practice. For more details click on the FAQs link on BCD and review question 17. You can also read The Buzz, Aug 2012 issue (pages 1 and 2) by clicking on The Buzz tab and then the Archived Issues link on the BCD home page.
- **New MOC records** are now displayed on BCD from The American Boards of Family Medicine (ABFM), Psychiatry and Neurology (ABPN) and Radiology (ABR). These three Member Boards recently announced they will implement continuous certification, rather than time-limited expiration dates. They will also use the same format for reporting those MOC certifications as The American Board of Pediatrics. Profiles for diplomates who were newly certified in 2012 from ABFM, ABPN and ABR will no longer display an end date. They will use a reverification date for credentialing purposes. For more detailed MOC information, please reference the March and September 2011 issues of The Buzz and item 14 of the FAQs on BCD.
- Records have now been reported for all boards that issue certificates in the **Hospice and Palliative Medicine** subspecialty for diplomates who took the exam at the end of 2012.
- All certificates that expired 12/31/12 have been updated. If you have questions regarding a specific record you may contact our Editorial team by referencing the Contact Us page on BCD.
- We now have records for Emergency Medicine diplomates who are certified in **Internal Medicine-Critical Care Medicine** offered by The American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM). Internal Medicine-Critical Care Medicine is now an option in the drop down menu on the Advanced Search screen of BCD. The American Board of Emergency Medicine (ABEM) partnered with ABIM to provide their diplomates with the option to participate in Critical Care Medicine fellowships and then take the Internal Medicine-Critical Care Medicine exam administered by ABIM. The certificate title for this subspecialty indicates the administering board. Other boards offer certification in Critical Care Medicine and they administer their own exams. Go to the FAQs to review how to search for these subspecialties on BCD.

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State Conferences

Thanks to everyone who came to our booth at the NJSAMSS conference last month. Stop by our booth to visit us at one of these conferences.

- Florida Association Medical Staff Services (FAMSS) – May 30-31, 2013
- Tennessee Association of Medical Staff Services (TAMSS) – June 12-14, 2013
- National Association of Medical Staff Services (NAMSS) – Sept. 21-25 Hollywood, FL

We can't attend every state conference in person, but look for brochures about our products at the meetings in the list below. If your conference has already occurred and you missed out on the materials, please contact [Bryan Mee](#).


- Alabama Association Medical Staff Services (AAMSS) – February 1, 2013
- Iowa Association Medical Staff Services (IAMSS) – April 5, 2013
- Virginia Association Medical Staff Services (VAMSS) – April 5, 2013
- Maryland Association Medical Staff Services (MAMSS) & DELMARVA – April 12, 2013
- Texas Society for Medical Services Specialists (TSMSS) – April 17-19, 2013
- Indiana Association of Medical Staff Services (INAMSS) – April 19, 2013
- New York State Association for Medical Staff Services (NYSAMSS) – April 24-26, 2013
- Pennsylvania Association Medical Staff Services (PAMSS) – April 24-26, 2013
- Michigan Association Medical Staff Services (MAMSS) – May 1-3, 2013
- Washington Association Medical Staff Services (WAMSS) – May 8-10, 2013
- Massachusetts Association of Medical Staff Services (MAMSS) – May 15-17, 2013
- Oregon Association of Medical Staff Services (OAMSS) – May 15-17, 2013
- Georgia Association Medical Staff Services (GAMSS) – May 23-24, 2013
- California Association Medical Staff Services (CAMSS) – May 28-31, 2013
- Kansas Association Medical Staff Service (KAMSS) – June 13-14, 2013

Maintenance of Certification Overview Chart

The chart on page 3 displays the type of Maintenance of Certification (MOC) each board is currently reporting. MOC is lifelong training for physicians that was established in 2000, with most boards implementing the program in 2008. Profiles from the boards that report Meeting MOC Requirements will include Yes, No or Not Required under that section. On BCD, profiles will also indicate "Status not yet reported" for boards that are not yet reporting this element. The boards that are not currently reporting indicate "No" in the chart on page 3 (third column from the left) followed by a year in parenthesis to indicate when that board is expected to start reporting the status for Meeting MOC Requirements.

A few boards are reporting C-MOC, which indicates continuous MOC instead of a time-limited recertification. C-MOC includes an annual reverification date to confirm that the diplomate's certification is still active. The boards that have implemented this type of display are indicated by a "Yes" in the chart (fourth column from the left). Some currently use that method only for specific certificates and that will be indicated in the chart (ex. Focused Pathway in Hospital Medicine).

The last column on the right of the chart indicates the annual reverification date used by the boards reporting C-MOC. This date was created to meet accreditation requirements for start and end dates to provide credentialers with a milestone to confirm that certification is still active. For more information on MOC refer to the archived issues of The Buzz as well as the FAQs on BCD.

 American Board of Medical Specialties <i>Higher standards. Better care.®</i>		ABMS Maintenance of Certification (MOC) Overview		
American Board of	Time Limited Certificate End-Dates	Display Meeting the MOC Requirements	Display C-MOC	Annual C-MOC Reverification Date
Allergy and Immunology	12/31	Yes		
Anesthesiology	12/31	Yes		
Colon and Rectal Surgery	12/31	Yes		
Dermatology	12/31	Yes		
Emergency Medicine	12/31	Yes		
Family Medicine	12/31	Yes	Yes	2/15
Internal Medicine	12/31	No (2014)	Yes, Focused Pathway in Hospital Medicine	4/1
Medical Genetics	12/31	Yes		
Neurological Surgery	12/31	Yes		
Nuclear Medicine	12/31	Yes		
Obstetrics and Gynecology	12/31	Yes		
Ophthalmology	12/31	Yes		
Orthopaedic Surgery	12/31	No (9/2013)		
Otolaryngology	12/31	Yes		
Pathology	12/31	No (2014)		
Pediatrics	12/31	No (2013)	Yes	2/15
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	06/30, 11/30, 12/31	Yes		
Plastic Surgery	12/31	Yes		
Preventive Medicine	1/31	Yes		
Psychiatry and Neurology	12/31	Yes	Yes	3/1
Radiology	12/31	Yes	Yes	3/15
Surgery	7/1	Yes		
Thoracic Surgery	12/31	Yes		
Urology	2/28	Yes		

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