

The Buzz

eNEWSLETTER

NEW Features Coming in November

We can't tell you yet, but we know you'll be excited!

Details will be announced on our home page October 23, and at the NAMSS conference on the same day. If you're attending NAMSS (details below), come by our booth to **see a demo of the NEW** features.

New Focused Practice Display

The Member Boards have formally approved a Focused Practice designation, causing a change in the display on those profiles. In 2010 the Focused Practice designation in Hospital Medicine was offered by the **American Board of Family Medicine (ABFM)** and the **American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM)**. Focused Practice is now an official designation (not a certification) rather than a pilot program. As other boards request and receive approval of Focused Practice designations, profiles from those boards will be displayed in the new format.

Sample of the **old display** on BCD.

AMERICAN BOARD OF INTERNAL MEDICINE

CERTIFICATION(S):

— Internal Medicine 08/19/2003 - 12/31/2013, MOC 01/09/2017 - , Reverification 04/01/2018

SUBCERTIFICATION(S):

Hospice and Palliative Medicine 10/05/2012 - 12/31/2022

— Physician is participating in MOC in Internal Medicine with a Focused Practice in Hospital Medicine.
More information is available at <http://www.abim.org>.

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BCD Quick Tips:

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The **new display** (sample below) includes similar information, under a new heading:

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FOCUSED PRACTICE:
Hospital Medicine MOC 01/09/2017 - , Reverification 04/01/2018

If the Focused Practice **designation expires** it will display like the example below.

FOCUSED PRACTICE:
Hospital Medicine **EXPIRED** MOC 05/25/2011 - , Reverification 04/01/2018

For more information about Focused Practice, reference question #16 on the FAQs page of BCD.

Visit Us at NAMSS Colorado Springs, October 21-25



It is that time of year again when we get the opportunity to talk with some of our subscribers at the National Association of Medical Staff Services (NAMSS) conference. Stop by our **booth (#409)** with your questions about BoardCertifiedDocs.com and see a demo of our **NEW features coming in November!** We will have several chances for you to win **instant prizes and 5-minute mini presentations (see the schedule in your conference bags).**

We are again sponsoring the **conference mobile app** which includes a **dining guide**. [Visit the conference website](#) for information on how to **download the app** (available October 2). We also have a link to that site on the BCD home page in the News and Announcements section. When you download the app, **be sure to Allow Notifications in the Settings** so that you'll receive updates to the schedule and notices that will give you extra chances to win prizes.

We hope to see you at NAMSS in October.

You Asked for It! Enhancements Requested by Our Users



You may have read in our one-time print edition of *The Buzz* (mailed in June) that we received great suggestions from a group of BoardCertifiedDocs (BCD) subscribers. We are excited to share the following **NEW enhancements** as a result of those meetings.

- **Quick Start Guide:** We put together an overview of tools, features and other details by topic for new and existing users. This 1-page reference is a great way to get familiar with all the features, and a reminder of where to find tools and how to use the site.

The PDF is on the **User Tools tab** on the BCD home page, and was also included in the print issue of *The Buzz*. Post a copy at your desk today!

- **Important Announcements pop-up:** There are times when BCD users need to be aware of certain important announcements. These may relate to a critical error in the data, policy changes from one or more boards, or technical issues on the website. A pop-up with messages of that nature will now display after login for all users. You will have the option to turn off the pop-up, or you can click Ok to see it again next time. It will display a maximum of 4 times per username.

It is important for our IP users to know that turning off the pop-up will turn it off **for all users** on your account (who may not have read the message). Clicking OK will allow it to display a maximum of 4 times, regardless of how many users are on your account. So, share the information with your colleagues.

We will continue to post general messages in the News and Announcements box on the home page and those also scroll across the top of the page after login.

- **ABIM Details:** Since ABIM handles MOC participation differently from other boards, many people have been confused. All profiles that include a certificate issued by The **American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM)** now include a link for more information about how that board reports Participation in Maintenance of Certification (MOC).

✳Participating in Maintenance of Certification (MOC)

American Board of Internal Medicine Yes [ABIM Details](#) 

- **State License – Batch Search:** You can now include License State and License Number as criteria with Batch Search. These two fields were recently added as yet another way for you to find multiple profiles you need all at one time. **Be sure to read the updated instructions** on the Batch Search page by clicking on that link before you upload a file.

- **FAQs:** Key words are now in bold and the font size of the questions on the **FAQs page** was increased to make it easier to read and to quickly find a topic. Click on the question to display the answer.
- **Printer Friendly button:** You've probably noticed the blue button at the top of profile pages, which replaced the previous link. **It will provide profiles that are formatted correctly** and avoid glitches that happen when using the browser's print function. That button **can also be used to print to a PDF or other electronic file.**

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Chrome Users

We recently identified and fixed a couple issues for our **Chrome users** with Windows NT10.0. The Search results no longer display a blank screen and the Browse by Index drop down menus open a new window, when selected, to refine your search results.

Updated Resources

The Guide to Medical Specialties, Certification Statistics tables and other reference documents are now updated on the **Resources page**. This page includes helpful reference information as well as statistics for research projects. It's a good place to find information about certifications issued by the 24 ABMS Member Boards.

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