

Certification & licensure: Council on Medical Education reports

The Council on Medical Education monitors the processes for specialty board certification, continuing board certification (formerly called maintenance of certification), state-based medical licensure, and maintenance of licensure on an ongoing basis. These reports provide updates on some of the changes related to certification and licensure that have occurred as a result of the AMA's continued advocacy for physicians at the national level with the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS), Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), and other stakeholders.

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- An Update on Continuing Board Certification (PDF) CME Report 2-A-22

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- An Update on Continuing Board Certification (PDF) CME Report 1-NOV-20 (Resolutions 301-A-19 and 308-A-19)

2019

- Board Certification Changes Impact Access to Addiction Medicine Specialists (PDF) CME report 4-I-19 (Resolution 314-A-18)
- Standardization of Medical Licensing Time Limits Across States (PDF) CME report 3-I-19 (Resolution 305-A-18)
- Update on Maintenance of Certification and Osteopathic Continuous Certification (PDF) CME Report 2-A-19 (Resolution 316-A-18)

2018

- Mental Health Disclosures on Physician Licensing Applications (PDF) CME Report 6-A-18 (Resolution 301-A-17, Resolve 3)
- Update on Maintenance of Certification and Osteopathic Continuous Certification (PDF) CME Report 2-A-18 (Resolutions 316-A-17 and 318-A-17)

2017

- Update on Maintenance of Certification and Osteopathic Continuous Certification (PDF) CME Report 2-A-17 (Resolution 315-A-16)

2016

- Update on Maintenance of Certification and Osteopathic Continuous Certification (PDF) CME Report 2-A-16 (Resolutions 309-A-15, 318-A-15, 903-I-15, 924-I-15, and 925-I-15)

2015

- American Board of Medical Specialties Should Adhere to its Mission (PDF) CME Report 6-A-15 (Resolution 005-A-14)
- An Update on Maintenance of Licensure (PDF) CME Report 3-A-15 (Resolution 934-I-14)
- Update on Maintenance of Certification and Osteopathic Continuous Certification (PDF) CME Report 2-A-15 (Resolution 920-I-14)

2014

- Update on Maintenance of Certification, Osteopathic Continuous Certification, and Maintenance of Licensure (PDF) CME Report 6-A-14

2013

- An Update on Maintenance of Certification, Osteopathic Continuous Certification and Maintenance of Licensure (PDF) CME Report 4-A-13 (Resolution 917-I-12)

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- Impact of Maintenance of Certification, Osteopathic Continuous Certification, Maintenance of Licensure on the Physician Workforce (PDF) CME Report 11-A-12 (Resolution 328-A-11)
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- Interstate License Portability (PDF) CME report 6-A-12 (Resolution 313-A-10)
- Use of USMLE and COMLEX Items for Purposes Other than the Assessment of Physicians and Physicians-in-Training (PDF) CME Report 4-A-12

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- Council on Medical Education issue brief: Single pathway to licensure (PDF)

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