

Family Medicine Certification

Entry/Re-Entry Process

At-A-Glance

ABFM recognizes that family physicians may sometimes experience delays in pursuing their board certification goals. The Entry and ReEntry process was created to help physicians gain certification after delays of three years or more.

ABFM provides you with a personalized dashboard in the MyABFM Portfolio where you can access outstanding activities to complete your initial certification or re-entry process. The portfolio is also a great tool to track your progress for completing your initial requirements maintaining your certification over the your career.

Certification Entry Process

You have three calendar years following the year in which you complete residency training to pass the Family Medicine Certification Exam, earn 50 certification activity points, and obtain a medical license. After that, you will be required to complete the Certification Entry Process to take the exam and gain initial certification status prior to your 7-year board eligibility period expiring.

Certification Re-Entry Process

If your certification has been expired for more than three years, you are required to complete the Certification Re-Entry Process to take the exam and gain initial certification status.

Certification Entry/Re-Entry Process

Points
Requirement
(50 points required
per 3-year stage)

Self-Assessment
Minimum 1 Self-Assessment Activity

Performance Improvement Minimum 1 PI activity

Additional Self-Assessment and PI Activities Your choice

CME Requirement Complete 150 CME credits in the most recent three years prior to the exam Minimum 50% from Division 1 Credit

Professionalism and Licensure Requirement

Comply with ABFM Guidelines for Professionalism, Licensure, and Personal Conduct Continually hold a valid and unlimited medical license

Submit Entry or Re-Entry Process Fee

Submit a one-time \$300 certification fee

Submit Application Submit application and accompanying full examination fee for the Family Medicine Certification Examination

Completion

Successful Completion of Family Medicine Certification Examination

Requirements must be completed within three calendar years.



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