



ABMS Portfolio Program: Requirements and Credit Translation for Continuing Certification

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This table identifies the ABMS Member Boards' and the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants' (NCCPA) requirements for meeting continuing certification (MOC) through the ABMS Portfolio Program™. Evidence of participation must be submitted according to the ABMS Portfolio Program meaningful participation requirements. ABMS Portfolio Program Sponsors review and approve team-based internal QI/PI and patient safety activities according to the requirements established by the ABMS Portfolio Program. Email questions to PortfolioProgram@abms.org.

Certifying Body	General Improvement in Medical Practice Requirements	What do diplomates receive for documented participation in an ABMS Portfolio Program project?	Does completion of a project through the ABMS Portfolio Program completely fulfill the IMP/Part IV requirement?	Do QI/PI leaders receive additional credit? If so, how much?	Can resident QI/PS work be submitted through the ABMS Portfolio Program?	How do diplomates know completion data has been received and recorded?	Link to IMP/Part IV info
ABMS Member Boards							
Anesthesiology (ABA)	25 Points of Practice Assessment/QI Activities every FIVE years	-- <u>Traditional MOC</u> : ONE Part IV Case Evaluation -- <u>MOC 2.0</u> : 20 points for standard participation, 25 for leaders	-- Standard participation (20 points) does not -- QI Leader (25 points) does	Yes, 5 additional points	No	Credit is reflected in their ABA Portal	https://www.theaba.org/about%20moca%202.0.html#q%20section
Dermatology (ABD)	ONE Practice Assessment/QI Activity every FIVE years	ONE Practice Assessment/QI Activity	Yes	No	No	Diplomates self-attest and credit is reflected in their MOC table	https://www.abderm.org/diplomates/fulfilling-moc-requirements/moc-requirements.aspx#PI
Emergency Medicine (ABEM)	ONE Practice Improvement (PI) Activity every FIVE years	ONE PI Activity	Yes	No	No	Credit is reflected in their ABEM account	https://www.abem.org/public/stay-certified/improvement-in-medical-practice-(imp)
Family Medicine (ABFM)	ONE Improvement in Medical Practice Module every THREE years	ONE Improvement in Medical Practice Module	Yes	No	Yes - PI credit is applied to resident portfolio	Credit is reflected in their ABFM Portfolio	https://www.theabfm.org/continue-certification/performance-improvement
Internal Medicine (ABIM)	Optional; Incentive for participation in approved activities	30 Practice Assessment Points	No - ABIM does not require IMP but recognizes and rewards activities in this area	No	No	ABIM emails the diplomate upon updating their online portal	https://www.abim.org/maintenance-of-certification/earning-points/qi-pi-activities/xa01686.aspx
Medical Genetics and Genomics (AGMGG)	ONE Improvement in Medical Practice Module every THREE years	ONE Improvement in Medical Practice Module	Yes	No	No	Credit is reflected in their ABMGG Portal	http://www.abmgg.org/moc/moc_part4.shtml
Obstetrics and Gynecology (ABOG)	Yearly participation in an Improvement in Medical Practice Activity	ONE Improvement in Medical Practice Activity	Yes	No	No	Credit is reflected in their ABOG Portal	https://www.abog.org/maintenance-of-certification/moc--four-parts/improvement-in-medical-practice
Ophthalmology (ABOp)	Completion of the first improvement activity by year 5 and the second activity by year 8 is recommended, but not required. Both activities are required by end of year 10	ONE Practice Improvement Activity	Completion of a project through the Portfolio Project satisfies one of two IMP/Part IV requirements for Ophthalmology	No	No	ABOp emails the diplomate and reflects credit online	https://abop.org/maintain-certification/improvement-in-medical-practice/
Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery (ABOHNS)	Under development	ONE Performance Improvement Module	Yes	No	No	ABOHNS emails the diplomate and reflects credit online	https://www.aboto.org/part4.html
Pathology (ABPath)	Yearly: Evidence of 1) Laboratory Accreditation, 2) Laboratory Quality Assurance, and 3) ONE Practice Assessment/QI Activity	ONE Practice Assessment/QI Activity	Yes	No	No	ABPath emails the diplomate and reflects credit online	https://www.abpath.org/index.php/continuing-certification/cc-reporting/improvement-in-medical-practice
Pediatrics (ABP)	Obtaining a minimum of 50 Improvement in Medical Practice points every FIVE years	25 Improvement in Medical Practice Points	No - ABP requires 50 points	No	Yes - QI points will be applied towards first MOC cycle	ABP emails the diplomate and reflects credit in their online portfolio	https://www.abp.org/content/quality-improvement-part-4
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (ABPMR)	ONE Practice Assessment/QI Activity every FIVE years	ONE Practice Assessment/QI Activity	Yes	No	Yes - QI points will be applied towards first MOC cycle	Credit is reflected in their ABPMR profile	ABPMR - Self-Directed QI
Psychiatry and Neurology (ABPN)	ONE Practice Assessment/QI Activity every THREE years	ONE Practice Assessment/QI Activity	Yes	No	No	Credit is reflected in their ABPN profile	https://www.abpn.com/maintain-certification/moc-activity-requirements/improvement-in-medical-practice-pi/
Radiology (ABR)	ONE Practice Quality Improvement (PQI) Project or Participatory Activity every THREE years	ONE PQI project	Yes	No	No	Diplomates self-attest and credit is reflected in their MOC table	-- <u>Radiation Oncology</u> - https://www.theabr.org/radiation-oncology/maintenance-of-certification/medical-practice-improvement -- <u>Interventional Radiology</u> - https://www.theabr.org/radiation-oncology/maintenance-of-certification/medical-practice-improvement -- <u>Diagnostic Radiology</u> - https://www.theabr.org/diagnostic-radiology/maintenance-of-certification
Surgery (ABS)	Required participation in a local, regional or national outcomes registry or quality assessment program	ONE Quality Assessment Program	Yes	No	No	Credit is reflected in their ABS portal	https://www.absurgery.org/default.jsp?exam-mocpa
Thoracic Surgery (ABTS)	ONE Practice Assessment/QI Activity every FIVE years	ONE Practice Assessment/QI Activity	Yes	No	No	Credit is reflected in their ABTS portal	https://www.abts.org/ABTS/MOCWebPages/PQI_Program_Overview.aspx
Urology (ABU)	Completion of a Practice Assessment Protocol (PAP) every TWO years; case log review	ONE PAP Activity	Yes	No	No	Credit is reflected in their ABU portal	https://www.abu.org/learning/continuing-urologic-certification-cuc
National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA)	100 CME credits per two-year cycle, including at least 50 Category I CME credits	30 PI-CME Credits (NCCPA doubles the first 20 PI-CME credits earned for each PA per CME logging cycle)	No - PAs must earn and report 100 credits per CME logging cycle	N/A	N/A	NCCPA emails the PA and reflects credit in PAs online CME record	https://www.nccpa.net/abms-portfolio-program