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# ABPN Quarterly Update for Diplomates

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## June 2024 Quarterly Update Topics

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## ABPN Hosts Public Advisory Forum

The ABPN hosted a Public Advisory Forum in April that focused on receiving input from several public constituencies, including patient/family advocacy organizations. The representatives met with the ABPN Board of Directors and senior staff members. Discussions focused on how the ABPN can better serve patients, families, and the public in keeping with its mission.

A publication on the Forum will be distributed later this year with a summary and outcomes from the Forum.



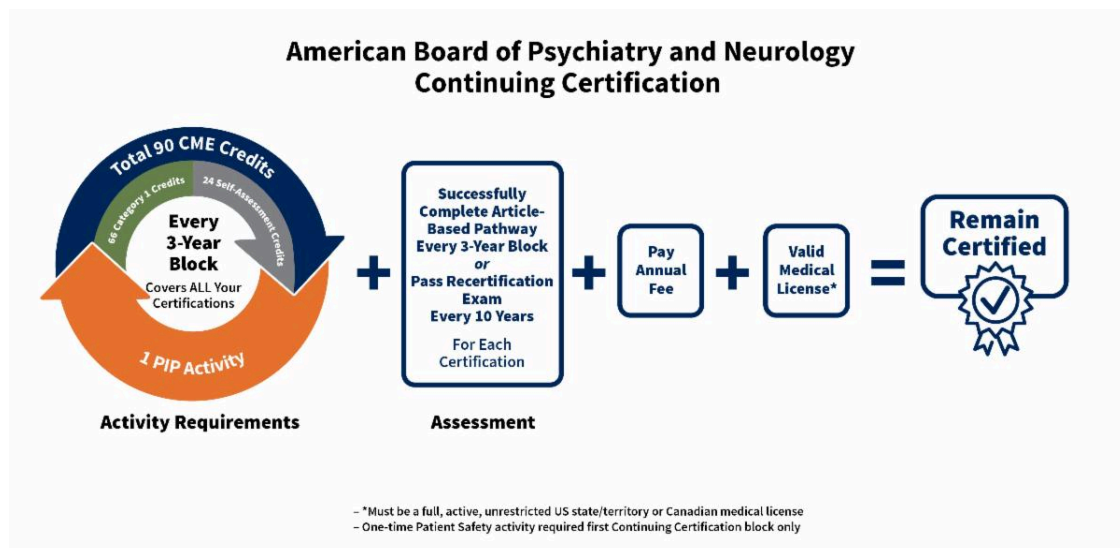
## 2024 Deadlines for Continuing Certification (CC)

All Continuing Certification (CC) Program requirements and deadlines are represented in the Physician Portal in ongoing three-year blocks based on your year of board certification/recertification. Personalized CME, Self-Assessment, PIP, and article exam progress can be viewed in the [Physician Portal](#).

If you are in the Article-Based Continuing Certification (ABCC) pathway for assessments, **don't delay finishing article exams**. We encourage diplomates to plan ahead and reserve enough time to complete all article exams. Diplomates with active CC certificates in the 2022-2024 three-year block need to successfully complete article exams by **December 15, 2024**, to have them count in lieu of your next scheduled recertification examination. This deadline will not be extended. Diplomates with either activities or assessments due at the end of 2024 received an email reminder in February directing them to their Physician Portal to see what requirements remain.

If you do not successfully complete the article exams by the due date in your Physician Portal, or if you are enrolled in the exam pathway rather than the article (ABCC) pathway, you will need to pass the traditional CC/recertification exam by your exam due date shown in your Physician Portal in order to maintain certification. For those who successfully participate in ABCC from 2022-2024, the ABPN will waive 16 out of the 24 Self-Assessment (SA) CME credits for the current 3-year block at the end of 2024. For questions about CC program requirements, email [questions@abpn.org](mailto:questions@abpn.org) or call 847-229-6512.

The CC program is an ongoing process, so board certification does not have a specific end date. Board certification status is contingent on meeting all CC requirements, which are largely grouped into three-year CC cycles, as outlined in the [graphic](#) below.



## AAN Closing Axon Registry

The American Academy of Neurology (AAN) is [closing the Axon Registry](#) effective June 1, 2024. The ABPN will continue to accept Axon Registry participation during 2024 as credit toward the Continuing Certification (CC) program Improvement in Medical Practice (PIP) requirement for the CC block ending in 2024.

## ABPN Spotlight On...

The ABPN's Spotlight On showcases various ABPN stakeholders and provides a personal look at directors, committee members, and diplomates. You'll get to learn more about the people who help the ABPN carry out its mission.

In the latest [Spotlight On](#), the ABPN talks with [Drs. Max Wiznitzer](#), and [Monique M. Jones](#), who each serve on ABPN committees. Some highlights from the Spotlight On include:

**Max Wiznitzer, MD**, is Interim Chief, Division of Pediatric Neurology, UH Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital, and Professor of Pediatrics and Neurology, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH.



**What do you hope to accomplish while serving on the ABPN committee?**

I want to continue to improve my test writing abilities under the tutelage of the ABPN staff and understand the processes and aspects of the certification process, including the key components that are necessary for establishing competence and meeting the profession's and public's expectations. Read [Dr. Wiznitzer's full Spotlight On here](#).

**Monique M. Jones, MD**, is Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry, and Executive Director of the Avel Gordly Center for Healing at Oregon Health & Science University, Portland OR.



**What do you enjoy the most about serving on an ABPN committee?**

I appreciate being able to work with addiction psychiatrists from across the United States. The committee provides a collegial environment to learn from one another about clinical practice in different environments and regions. Read [Dr. Jones's full Spotlight On here](#).

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## 2025 Exam Schedule Posted

The ABPN certification and continuing certification [examination schedule](#) for 2025 is now posted on the ABPN website. ABPN offers both Spring and Fall exam dates for select CC recertification exams to give diplomates more choices within a given year. Exam fees in 2025 will again remain unchanged, although inflationary pressures make it likely that fees may need to be increased in a future year.

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## ABPN Issues 2023 Annual Report

The ABPN issued its [2023 Annual Report](#) last month; the report is typically released in April in order to contain complete data about the prior year's examinations.

The 16-page report includes examination results and statistics, committee and presentation lists, and board member honors and awards.



## August Deadlines for 2025-26 grant award applications

[Applications](#) for the 2025-2026 ABPN Faculty Innovation in Education Award and the 2025-2026 ABPN Dorthea Juul, PhD, Education Research Award are now available. The submission deadlines for these grant awards are August 20, 2024.

The ABPN has established these awards to support the development of academic leaders in psychiatry and neurology.

The ABPN Faculty Innovation in Education Award is intended to support the development of innovative education and/or evaluation projects that promote effective residency/fellowship training or lifelong learning of practicing psychiatrists and neurologists.

The ABPN Dorthea Juul, PhD, Education Research Award supports research projects that deepen our understanding of the development, maintenance, and assessment of competence in psychiatry and neurology.

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