



American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, Inc.

A Member Board of the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS)

Invalidation of Certificates

Certification shall continue only so long as the Diplomate continues to meet the Board's licensure requirements.

A Diplomate is obligated to immediately inform the Board of any change(s) in his or her license status, including but not limited to the following: (i) the loss, surrender, suspension, restriction or revocation of any license to practice medicine; (ii) the addition of any license to practice medicine; (iii) any probationary period, condition, limitation or contingency placed on any license to practice medicine; and (iv) any other change in status to any license to practice medicine in the possession of the Diplomate.

A Diplomate who no longer meets the Board's licensure requirements: Shall, without any action by the Board or any right to a hearing, automatically lose his or her Diplomate status in all specialties and subspecialties for which the individual has received a certificate from the Board and all certificates previously issued by the Board shall be invalid.

An individual whose certificate(s) has become invalid: (i) is prohibited from using "American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology", "ABPN", "Diplomate, American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology", "Diplomate, ABPN", "Board Certified" or any other combination of words, terms or action that may be construed as or imply that he or she is a Diplomate of the Board in any of its specialties or subspecialties; (ii) must immediately surrender to the Board all Board certificates and copies thereof; (iii) must cease using any indicia of Board certification, whether personally, in his or her practice, as promotion or as advertisement.

Once an individual whose certificate(s) was invalidated remedies the situation leading to invalidation entirely, he or she may request from the Board the opportunity to re-attain certification. The Board shall have the sole power and discretion to determine whether an individual whose certificate(s) was invalidated: (i) shall be granted the opportunity to re-attain certification; (ii) when the individual may initiate the process to re-attain certification; and (iii) the manner, process, terms and conditions by which certification may be re-attained (which may include, among other things, re-applying and sitting for examinations and/or meeting current maintenance of certification requirements). In all events, if an individual successfully re-attains his or her Diplomate status, the type of certificate(s) issued (e.g., time-limited) will be the same as certificates then being issued by the Board, irrespective of the type of certificate previously invalidated (e.g., lifetime certificates).