



# 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.

| 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 <b>completely</b> fulfill the IMP/Part IV requirement? | Do QI/PI leaders receive additional credit? If so, how much? | Can resident QIPS 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   |
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| <b>ABMS Member Boards</b>                       |   |   |  |  |   |  |  |
| Anesthesiology (ABA)                            | 25 Points of Practice Assessment/QI Activities every <b>FIVE</b> years  | -- <b>Traditional MOCA: ONE</b> Part IV Case Evaluation<br>-- <b>MOCA 2.0:</b> 20 points for standard participation, 25 for leaders | -- Standard participation (20 points) does not<br>-- QI Leader (25 points) does  | Yes, 5 additional points                                     | No  | Credit is reflected in their ABA Portal                                | <a href="https://www.theaba.org/about%20moca%202.0.html#q%20section">https://www.theaba.org/about%20moca%202.0.html#q%20section</a>  |
| Dermatology (ABD)                               | <b>ONE</b> Practice Assessment/QI Activity every <b>FIVE</b> years  | <b>ONE</b> Practice Assessment/QI Activity  | Yes  | No   | No  | Diplomates self-attest and credit is reflected in their MOC table      | <a href="https://www.abdem.org/diplomates/fulfilling-moc-requirements/moc-requirements.aspx#PI">https://www.abdem.org/diplomates/fulfilling-moc-requirements/moc-requirements.aspx#PI</a>  |
| Emergency Medicine (ABEM)                       | <b>ONE</b> Practice Improvement (PI) Activity every <b>FIVE</b> years   | <b>ONE</b> PI Activity  | Yes  | No   | No  | Credit is reflected in their ABEM account                              | <a href="https://www.abem.org/public/stay-certified/improvement-in-medical-practice-(imp)">https://www.abem.org/public/stay-certified/improvement-in-medical-practice-(imp)</a>  |
| Family Medicine (ABFM)                          | <b>ONE</b> Improvement in Medical Practice Module every <b>THREE</b> years  | <b>ONE</b> Improvement in Medical Practice Module   | Yes  | No   | Yes - PI credit is applied to resident portfolio                        | Credit is reflected in their ABFM Portfolio                            | <a href="https://www.theabfm.org/continue-certification/performance-improvement">https://www.theabfm.org/continue-certification/performance-improvement</a>  |
| 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            | <a href="https://www.abim.org/maintenance-of-certification/earning-points/qi-pi-activities/xa01686.aspx">https://www.abim.org/maintenance-of-certification/earning-points/qi-pi-activities/xa01686.aspx</a>  |
| Medical Genetics and Genomics (AGMGG)           | <b>ONE</b> Improvement in Medical Practice Module every <b>THREE</b> years  | <b>ONE</b> Improvement in Medical Practice Module   | Yes  | No   | No  | Credit is reflected in their ABMGG Portal                              | <a href="http://www.abmogg.org/moc/moc_part4.shtml">http://www.abmogg.org/moc/moc_part4.shtml</a>  |
| Obstetrics and Gynecology (ABOG)                | Yearly participation in an Improvement in Medical Practice Activity   | <b>ONE</b> Improvement in Medical Practice Activity   | Yes  | No   | No  | Credit is reflected in their ABOG Portal                               | <a href="https://www.abog.org/maintenance-of-certification/moc---four-parts/improvement-in-medical-practice">https://www.abog.org/maintenance-of-certification/moc---four-parts/improvement-in-medical-practice</a>  |
| 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 | <b>ONE</b> 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                   | <a href="https://abop.org/maintain-certification/improvement-in-medical-practice/">https://abop.org/maintain-certification/improvement-in-medical-practice/</a>  |
| Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery (ABOHNS) | Under development   | <b>ONE</b> Performance Improvement Module   | Yes  | No   | No  | ABOHNS emails the diplomate and reflects credit online                 | <a href="https://www.aboto.org/part4.html">https://www.aboto.org/part4.html</a>  |
| Pathology (ABPath)                              | Yearly: Evidence of 1) Laboratory Accreditation, 2) Laboratory Quality Assurance, and 3) <b>ONE</b> Practice Assessment/QI Activity                                       | <b>ONE</b> Practice Assessment/QI Activity  | Yes  | No   | No  | ABPath emails the diplomate and reflects credit online                 | <a href="https://www.abpath.org/index.php/continuing-certification/cc-reporting/improvement-in-medical-practice">https://www.abpath.org/index.php/continuing-certification/cc-reporting/improvement-in-medical-practice</a>  |
| Pediatrics (ABP)                                | Obtaining a minimum of 40 Improvement in Medical Practice points every <b>FIVE</b> years  | 25 Improvement in Medical Practice Points   | No - ABP requires 40 points  | No   | Yes - QI points will be applied towards first MOC cycle                 | ABP emails the diplomate and reflects credit in their online portfolio | <a href="https://www.abp.org/content/quality-improvement-part-4">https://www.abp.org/content/quality-improvement-part-4</a>  |
| Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (ABPMR)    | <b>ONE</b> Practice Assessment/QI Activity every <b>FIVE</b> years  | <b>ONE</b> Practice Assessment/QI Activity  | Yes  | No   | Yes - QI points will be applied towards first MOC cycle                 | Credit is reflected in their ABPMR profile                             | <a href="#">ABPMR - Self-Directed QI</a>   |
| Preventive Medicine (ABPM)                      | <b>ONE</b> IMP Activity every <b>FIVE</b> years ( <b>TWO</b> per 10-year cycle); Clinical Informatics diplomates must complete <b>THREE</b> per 10-year cycle             | <b>ONE</b> IMP Activity   | No - ABPM requires <b>TWO</b> QI projects per cycle; <b>ONE</b> can be through the Portfolio Program                   | No   | No  | Credit is reflected in their ABPM account                              | <a href="https://www.theabpm.org/maintain-certification/moc-part-4-options/">https://www.theabpm.org/maintain-certification/moc-part-4-options/</a>  |
| Psychiatry and Neurology (ABPN)                 | <b>ONE</b> Practice Assessment/QI Activity every <b>THREE</b> years   | <b>ONE</b> Practice Assessment/QI Activity  | Yes  | No   | No  | Credit is reflected in their ABPN profile                              | <a href="https://www.abpn.com/maintain-certification/moc-activity-requirements/improvement-in-medical-practice-pi/">https://www.abpn.com/maintain-certification/moc-activity-requirements/improvement-in-medical-practice-pi/</a>  |
| Radiology (ABR)                                 | <b>ONE</b> Practice Quality Improvement (PQI) Project or Participatory Activity every <b>THREE</b> years  | <b>ONE</b> PQI project  | Yes  | No   | No  | Diplomates self-attest and credit is reflected in their MOC table      | Radiation Oncology - <a href="https://www.theabr.org/radiation-oncology/maintenance-of-certification/medical-practice-improvement">https://www.theabr.org/radiation-oncology/maintenance-of-certification/medical-practice-improvement</a><br>Interventional Radiology - <a href="https://www.theabr.org/radiation-oncology/maintenance-of-certification/medical-practice-improvement">https://www.theabr.org/radiation-oncology/maintenance-of-certification/medical-practice-improvement</a><br>Diagnostic Radiology - <a href="https://www.theabr.org/diagnostic-radiology/maintenance-of-certification">https://www.theabr.org/diagnostic-radiology/maintenance-of-certification</a> |
| Surgery (ABS)                                   | Required participation in a local, regional or national outcomes registry or quality assessment program   | <b>ONE</b> Quality Assessment Program   | Yes  | No   | No  | Credit is reflected in their ABS portal                                | <a href="https://www.absurgery.org/default.jsp?exam-mocpa">https://www.absurgery.org/default.jsp?exam-mocpa</a>  |

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| 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                         | <a href="https://www.abts.org/ABTS/MOCWebPages/POI_Program_Overview.aspx">https://www.abts.org/ABTS/MOCWebPages/POI_Program_Overview.aspx</a>       |
| 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                          | <a href="https://www.abu.org/learning/continuing-urologic-certification-cuc">https://www.abu.org/learning/continuing-urologic-certification-cuc</a> |
| 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 | <a href="https://www.nccpa.net/abms-portfolio-program">https://www.nccpa.net/abms-portfolio-program</a>   |