QUICK FACTS

Overview

- Nonprofit organization providing physicians a choice in continuous board certification.
- Provides a nationally recognized, efficient, clinically relevant, and less burdensome continuous certification pathway.
- Requires rigorous, specialty-specific, ACCME-accredited AMA PRA Category 1™ CME, considered the gold standard for continuing medical education credits among physicians, state licensure boards, board certification bodies, physician employers, and the American Medical Association (AMA).
- Accepted at a growing number of hospitals, health systems, telemedicine companies, health insurers, and other physician employers.
- Led by 20 unpaid physicians, accomplished thought leaders in clinical and academic medicine.

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- Meets national accreditation standards for hospitals and health plans (NCQA, URAC, and TJC, DNV, CIHQ, and ACHC)
- Performs Primary Source Verification (PSV) of physicians’ education and training
- Recognized and listed by CAQH Proview for physician board certification (primary database used by health plans for credential verification)
- Increases access to outstanding, board certified physicians during a serious and growing national physician shortage
- Saves hospitals money by reducing the costs of continuous certification by approximately 72%
- Requires previous board certification through an ABMS or AOA member board
- Requires rigorous, specialty-specific, fully accredited CME, reviewed by staff for quality and specialty/subspecialty relevance
- Requires physicians to equally meet the same rigorous standards, regardless of age or length of practice
- Supports and enhances diversity, equity, and inclusion goals by prohibiting time-unlimited certifications
- Reduces physician burnout by providing a streamlined, clinically specific certification process