

Introducing CAP

A new way to maintain board certification



Pass Initial BC Exam



Candidates earning 150 points of post-graduate requirements are eligible to sit for the board certification exam, offered each year in January and July at Prometric testing centers.

Begin CAP 3-Year Cycle



The Continuous Assessment Program (CAP), comprised of CE, self-assessment modules (SAMs), triannual mini-assessments and a practice improvement attestation, begins the calendar year following your exam.

100 CE Hours



Diplomates can earn CE through CAP activities, such as mini-assessments and optional PPMs, as well as free ABO sponsored webinars.

2 SAMs



Self-assessment modules (SAMs) are designed to identify and resolve knowledge gaps. 2 SAMs are required and may be completed at any time during the 3-year CAP cycle.

9 Mini Assessments



Open resource mini-assessments (25 questions covering 1-2 topic areas) help Diplomates stay up-to-date. 3 assessments are available each year; 7 of 9 assessments must be passed during the 3-year CAP cycle.

3-Year Evaluation



Evaluation occurs at the end of each CAP cycle. If all requirements have been met, Diplomates begin a new 3-year CAP cycle. If requirements are missing, Diplomates have a 1-year remediation period before needing to recertify.