



ABP Corporate Policy

Chemical Use and Dependency

In cases of impairment due to chemical dependency, in which physicians are currently enrolled in and fully compliant with all terms of a treatment plan, whether the physician enrolled in the treatment plan on his or her own initiative or by agreement with a state medical board, whether by agreed order, consent order, stipulation or settlement agreement, the ABP may choose to allow any conditions placed on the license to be a restriction on a medical license. Conditions imposed on the physician's practice by the state medical board as part of the plan for rehabilitation including, but not limited to, practice monitoring, requirements to attend meetings, submit to screenings and complete education may or may not be considered a restriction on the license to practice medicine for purposes of this policy. If the state medical board allows the practice of medicine with no other restrictions on clinical practice while the physician is compliant with the rehabilitation plan, the ABP may choose to allow certification to be maintained and the physician to participate in all certification and maintenance of certification activities.