



## ABP Corporate Policy

### Continuing Certification Part 2 Credit for those Participating in Question/Item Writing Activities

Individuals who serve on examination committees (also known as subboards for subspecialty examinations) have major roles in authoring and reviewing items for the in-training, certification and continuing certification examinations. Similarly, contracted subject matter expert item writers play a significant role in the development of Part 2 Continuing Certification self-assessment activities. In recognizing the work effort and educational process involved with these item-writing activities, Continuing Certification Part 2 credit is awarded to the physicians engaged in these efforts. Item writers who are not diplomates do not qualify for Continuing Certification Part 2 credit. The specific guidelines for awarding Continuing Certification Part 2 points are as follows:

- Examination Committee and Subboard Appointees
  - Item writers who are ABP diplomates will be awarded twenty (20) Part 2 Continuing Certification points annually throughout their terms.
  - Item writers representing other ABMS member boards, who are not also ABP diplomates, must request their Continuing Certification credit through their respective boards. The ABP will provide documentation of all duties to requesting appointees and member boards.
  
- Subject Matter Experts
  - Item writers who are ABP diplomates will be awarded twenty (20) Part 2 Continuing Certification points after the self-assessment is complete and ready for publication.
  - Item writers representing other ABMS member boards, who are not also ABP diplomates, must request their Continuing Certification credit through their respective boards. The ABP will provide documentation of all duties to requesting appointees and member boards.

\*Includes all ABP appointees to co-sponsored boards and committees  
Hospice and Palliative Medicine Examination Committee  
Sleep Medicine Examination Committee  
Sports Medicine Examination Committee  
Subboard of Medical Toxicology  
Transplant Hepatology Test and Policy Committee

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