

THE ABFM MC-FP EXAMINATION IS MOVING TO APRIL IN 2012

Beginning in 2012, the ABFM MC-FP examination will be held in April instead of July. Diplomates who are in good standing and hold a currently valid, full, and unrestricted license to practice medicine in the US or Canada are eligible to apply for and take the examination.

Residents who are in good standing and expected to complete training on or about July 1, 2012 are eligible to take the April 2012 examination. A currently valid, full, and unrestricted license to practice medicine in the US or Canada is not required for residents to apply for and take the April examination. Certification will be awarded when all of the criteria are met:

1. Successful performance on the ABFM MC-FP Examination
2. The Program Director verifies that the resident has successfully met all of the ACGME program requirements
3. The candidate obtains a currently valid, full, and unrestricted license to practice medicine in the US or Canada

These conditions must be met by December 31, 2012.

The dates for the April 2012 MC-FP Examination are:

April 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21

The MC-FP Examination will also be offered in November for candidates who fail the spring administration of the examination, or for those residents in good standing who are off-cycle and are expected to complete training on or about December 31, 2012.

The dates for the November 2012 MC-FP Examination are:

November 7, 8, 9, 10

As with the April exam, Diplomates who are in good standing and hold a currently valid, full, and unrestricted license to practice medicine in the US or Canada are eligible to apply for and take the examination.

A currently valid, full, and unrestricted license to practice medicine in the US or Canada is not necessary for residents to apply for and take the exam, but in order to be awarded certification, the same three criteria listed above must be met by July 1 of the following year.