



**National Board of Physicians
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Informational Packet**

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ABOUT NBPAS

NBPAS is a nonprofit organization that provides physicians and hospitals a choice for allopathic or osteopathic board certification. Founded in 2014 by Dr. Paul Teirstein, Chief of Cardiology, Scripps Clinic, NBPAS supports life-long learning, and requires rigorous, specialty-specific, fully accredited Continuing Medical Education (CME).

NBPAS requires all physicians to meet the same standards, fostering equity and inclusiveness among a diverse physician community.

NBPAS represents nearly 10,000 physicians at 147 hospitals in all 50 states.

KEY FACTS

2014 NBPAS founded	9,200 NBPAS Diplomates
147 Accepting Hospitals	20 Unpaid Board Members

FOR HOSPITALS, HEALTH SYSTEMS, PAYORS AND/OR CREDENTIALERS:

1. NBPAS meets National Committee on Quality Assurance (NCQA) and Utilization Review Accreditation Commission (URAC) standards for Primary Source Verification (PSV) and is fully acceptable by health insurance carriers.
2. NBPAS performs PSV of physician education and training and can provide this information to your credentialing staff.
3. NBPAS requires the same certification standards for all its physicians. NBPAS does not exempt any of its physicians from certification based on age or length of practice.
4. Accepting NBPAS can help relieve the serious and growing physician shortage and help attract the highest quality physicians to your practice.
5. NBPAS can provide template language for hospitals, health systems and payors to help update policies, procedures, contracts, and bylaws.



NBPAS CRITERIA

NBPAS requires:

1. Initial Certification by an ABMS/AOA Member Board

Candidates must have been initially certified by an American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) or American Osteopathic Association (AOA) member board.

2. Valid Medical License

Candidates must have an active, valid, unrestricted license to practice medicine in at least one U.S. state or territory.

3. Submission of CME Credits

Candidates must submit a minimum of 50 hours of ACCME accredited CME within the past 24 months. Candidates with lapsed ABMS or AOA certification must submit a minimum of 100 hours of CME within the past 24 months. CME must be related to one or more of the specialties in which the candidate is applying.

CME must meet the following requirements:

- Official certificate or transcript from ACCME accredited provider
- Certificate submitted in PDF or photo (i.e. JPEG, TIF, photo from iPhone) format is accepted
- Certificate must clearly state the name of the applicant, name of ACCME accredited provider, date of completion, and number and type of hours granted
- CME must be completed within the past 24 months from the date of the application (for new certifications) or from previous certification date (for renewal certifications)
- NBPAS accepts American Medical Association (AMA) Category 1 credits only, or American Osteopathic Association (AOA) Category 1A or 2A credits only

4. Active Hospital Privileges

For some specialties, candidates must have active privileges to practice that specialty in at least one U.S. hospital or outpatient facility licensed by a nationally recognized credentialing organization with deeming authority from CMS (i.e. Joint Commission, HFAP, DNV).



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Q: Is NBPAS an accepted form of board certification?

A: NBPAS meets national accreditation standards for physician board certification. These standards *require* Primary Source Verification of a physician's education and training. NBPAS performs Primary Source Verification on physician credentials.

Q: Which hospitals accept NBPAS?

A: 147 hospitals and health systems accept NBPAS including well known institutions such as Sibley Memorial (Johns Hopkins Health System), Hackensack University Medical Center, St. Jude Medical Center, Wellstar Health System (Atlanta), and Hackensack University Medical Center, among many others. Please see here for a complete listing: <https://nbpas.org/hospitals-accepting-diplomates/>

Q: Is NBPAS acceptable by health insurers?

A: NBPAS meets the national accreditation standards for health insurance plans set forth by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) and Utilization Review Accreditation Commission (URAC) and is fully acceptable by health insurance carriers.

Q: What are the NBPAS certification requirements?

A: NBPAS requires:

- Initial board certification through an ABMS or AOA member board
- Active and unrestricted medical license
- 50 hours of specialty specific, ACCME Category 1 CME hours
- 100 hours of specialty specific, ACCME Category 1 CME hours (if board certification has expired)
- Active hospital or outpatient facility privileges (for some specialties), that must be licensed by a nationally credentialing organization with deeming authority from CMS.

Q: Who governs NBPAS?

A: NBPAS is led by an unpaid board of directors composed of thought leaders in academic and clinical medicine including Harvard Medical Center/Brigham and Women's Hospital, the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine, Johns Hopkins, NYU Medical Center, the Scripps Clinic, the American Diabetes Association, Columbia University Medical Center, and the University of Massachusetts Medical Center, among others.



Q: What are the demographics of NBPAS physicians?

A: NBPAS physician diplomates are largely mid-career and earlier career physicians. NBPAS continues to grow rapidly as increasing numbers of physicians recognize that NBPAS offers physicians a board recertification choice that supports clinical excellence, professionalism, and life-long learning.

NBPAS diplomates are dedicated, frontline physicians representing primary care disciplines as well as all ABMS/AOA recognized specialties and subspecialties. Our physicians are employed independently, and by hospitals, health systems, the Veterans Health Administration (VHA), the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS), and other prominent national research organizations such as the National Institutes of Health (NIH). NBPAS physicians have also served as expert witnesses for the United States Department of Justice (DOJ).

Q: What are the benefits of NBPAS?

A: Accepting NBPAS:

- Allows physicians to maintain their board certification in a manner that promotes lifelong learning, and outstanding professional and clinical standards
- Reduces physician burnout by allowing physicians to study the best and clinically relevant CME
- Is cost effective, reducing hospital CME reimbursement costs
- Adds an important tool for recruiting and retaining physicians, especially as the physician shortage grows
- NBPAS increases access to highly qualified physicians
- NBPAS decreases healthcare and hospital costs by providing a more affordable choice for board recertification

Q: How does a hospital add NBPAS?

A: Adding NBPAS is straightforward. A hospital or health system simply adds NBPAS as an option for physician board certification once the change is approved by its Medical Executive Committee (MEC).



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HOSPITALS ACCEPTING NBPAS – 147 (AS OF OCTOBER 5, 2021)

Alabama

Baptist Medical Center Princeton: Birmingham, AL

Alaska

Arctic Surgery Center: Anchorage, AK
Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation: Bethel, AK

Arizona

Flagstaff Medical Center: Flagstaff, AZ
Havasu Regional Medical Center: Lake Havasu City, AZ
Phoenix St. Luke's Hospital: Phoenix, AZ
Yavapai Regional Medical Center: Prescott, AZ

Arkansas

Arkansas Heart Hospital: Little Rock, AR
CHI St. Vincent: Hot Springs, AR

California

Anaheim Regional Medical Center: Anaheim, CA
Community Medical Center: Fresno, CA
Community Memorial Hospital: Ventura, CA
Hoag Hospital: Newport, CA
Huntington Hospital: Pasadena, CA
Mendocino Coast District Hospital: Fort Bragg, CA
Mission Hospital: Mission Viejo, CA
Monarch Healthcare: Irvine, CA – IPA, subsidiary of Optum/United
Orange Coast Medical Center: Fountain Valley, CA
Pomona Valley Hospital: Pomona, CA
Providence Little Company of Mary: Torrance, CA
Saddleback Medical Center: Laguna Hills, CA
Saint Agnes Medical Center: Fresno, CA
St. Jude Medical Center: Fullerton, CA
Torrance Memorial Hospital: Torrance, CA

Connecticut

Lawrence & Memorial Hospital: New London, CT

Delaware

Bayhealth Medical Center: Dover, DE
MeadowWood Behavioral Health Hospital: New Castle, DE
Rockford Center: Newark, DE
Saint Francis Healthcare: Wilmington, DE
SUN Behavioral Delaware: Georgetown, DE

District of Columbia

Sibley Memorial Hospital – Johns Hopkins Medical System: Washington, DC

Florida

Brandon Regional Hospital: Brandon, FL
Coral Gables Hospital: Coral Gables, FL
Florida Hospital Heartland Division: Sebring, FL
Florida Memorial Hospital: Daytona Beach, FL
Halifax Medical Center: Daytona Beach, FL
Holmes Regional Medical Center: Melbourne, FL
Kindred Hospital: Melbourne, FL
North Shore Medical Center: Miami, FL
Palm Bay Hospital: Palm Bay, FL
Parrish Medical Center: Titusville, FL
St. Cloud Regional Medical Center: St. Cloud, FL
West Palm Beach VA Medical Center: West Palm Beach, FL
Westchester General Hospital: Miami, FL
Wuesthoff Hospital: Melbourne, FL

Georgia

Habersham Medical Center: Demorest, GA
Miller County Hospital: Colquitt, GA
WellStar Atlanta Medical Center South: Atlanta, GA
WellStar Atlanta Medical Center: Atlanta, GA
WellStar Cobb Hospital: Austell, GA
WellStar Douglas Hospital: Douglasville, GA
WellStar Kennestone Hospital: Marietta, GA
WellStar North Fulton Hospital: Roswell, GA
WellStar Paulding Hospital: Hiram, GA
WellStar Spalding Regional Hospital: Griffin, GA
WellStar Sylvan Grove Hospital: Jackson, GA



WellStar West Georgia Medical Center:
LaGrange, GA
WellStar Windy Hill Hospital: Marietta, GA

Hawaii

Kapiolani Medical Center for Women &
Children (Hawaii Pacific Health): Honolulu, HI
Pali Momi Medical Center (Hawaii Pacific
Health): Aiea, HI
Straub Medical Center (Hawaii Pacific Health):
Honolulu, HI
Wilcox Memorial Hospital (Hawaii Pacific
Health): Lihue, HI

Idaho

Gritman Medical Center: Moscow, ID
Northwest Specialty Hospital: Post Falls, ID
Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center:
Boise, ID

Illinois

Community First Medical Center: Chicago, IL

Indiana

St. Catherine Hospital: East Chicago, IN

Iowa

Mercy Medical Center Des Moines: Des Moines,
IA
Mercy Medical Center: Cedar Rapids, IA
St Luke's Hospital: Cedar Rapids, IA
Virginia Gay Hospital: Vinton, IA

Kansas

Shawnee Mission Medical Center: Shawnee
Mission, KS

Kentucky

Baptist Health La Grange: La Grange, KY
Baptist Health Lexington: Lexington, KY

Louisiana

Christus Highland Medical Center: Shreveport,
LA
Willis Knighton Health System: Bossier City,
LA
Willis Knighton Health System: Shreveport, LA

Maryland

Atlantic General Hospital: Berlin, MD
Frederick Memorial Hospital: Frederick, MD

University of Maryland Capital Region Health:
Cheverly, MD

Minnesota

Cuyuna Regional Medical Center: Crosby, MN

Missouri

Capital Region Medical Center: Jefferson City,
MO – (affiliated w/ Univ. of Missouri)
Shawnee Mission Medical Center: Kansas City,
MO
Southeast Missouri Hospital: Cape Girardeau,
MO

Montana

Benefis Health System: Great Falls, MT
Bozeman Health Big Sky Hospital: Big Sky, MT
Bozeman Health Deaconess Hospital: Bozeman,
MT

Nevada

Renown Health: Reno, NV

New Hampshire

Southern New Hampshire Medical Center:
Nashua, NH

New Jersey

Bayshore Medical Center (Hackensack Meridian
Health): Holmdel, NJ
Hackensack University Medical Center
(Hackensack Meridian Health): Hackensack, NJ
Jersey Shore University Medical Center
(Hackensack Meridian Health): Neptune City, NJ
JFK Medical Center (Hackensack Meridian
Health): Edison, NJ
Joseph M. Sanzari Children's Hospital
(Hackensack Meridian Health): Hackensack, NJ
K. Hovnanian Children's Hospital (Hackensack
Meridian Health): Neptune City, NJ
Mountainside Medical Center (Hackensack
Meridian Health): Montclair, NJ
Ocean Medical Center (Hackensack Meridian
Health): Brick, NJ
Palisades Medical Center (Hackensack Meridian
Health): North Bergen, NJ
Pascack Valley Medical Center (Hackensack
Meridian Health): Westwood, NJ
Raritan Bay Medical Center (Hackensack
Meridian Health): Old Bridge, NJ



Raritan Bay Medical Center (Hackensack Meridian Health): Perth Amboy, NJ
Riverview Medical Center (Hackensack Meridian Health): Red Bank, NJ
Southern Ocean Medical Center (Hackensack Meridian Health): Manahawkin, NJ

New Mexico

Presbyterian Hospital: Albuquerque, NM

New York

Catskill Regional Medical Center: Harris, NY
New York Community Hospital: Brooklyn, NY
World Trade Center Health Program: New York, NY

North Carolina

Rutherford Regional Health System:
Rutherfordton, NC

Ohio

Clinton Memorial Hospital: Wilmington, OH
Highland District Hospital: Hillsboro, OH
Mercy Health – St. Elizabeth Boardman Hospital: Boardman, OH
Mercy Health – St. Elizabeth Youngstown Hospital: Youngstown, OH

Oklahoma

Integrus Baptist Medical Center: Oklahoma City, OK
Memorial Hospital of Texas County: Guymon, OK
Norman Regional Hospital: Norman, OK
Oklahoma Heart Hospital: Oklahoma City, OK
Southwestern Medical Center: Lawton, OK
Surgery Center of Oklahoma: Norman, OK

Pennsylvania

Advanced Surgical Hospital: Washington, PA
St. Mary Medical Center: Langhorne, PA

South Carolina

Aiken Regional Medical Center: Aiken, SC
Providence Hospital: Columbia, SC
Tidelands Georgetown Memorial Hospital: Georgetown, SC
Tidelands Waccamaw Community Hospital: Murrels Inlet, SC

Tennessee

Centennial Medical Center: Nashville, TN
Cookeville Regional Medical Center: Cookeville, TN
Maury Regional Medical Center: Columbia, TN
Southern Tennessee Regional Health System: Lawrenceburg, TN
Southern Tennessee Regional Health System: Pulaski, TN

Texas

Christus Trinity Mother Frances Hospital, TX
Goodall-Witcher Hospital: Clifton, TX
McAllen Medical Center: McAllen, TX
Pinnacle Surgery Center: Austin, TX
Plaza Park Hospital: Houston, TX
Texas Health Presbyterian: Rockwall, TX
Texas Neurological Society: Austin, TX
Valley Baptist Medical Center: Harlingen, TX

Utah

Uintah Basin Healthcare: Roosevelt, UT

Virginia

Sentara Halifax Regional Hospital: South Boston, VA
Southside Regional Medical Center: Petersburg, VA

Washington

Columbia Basin Hospital: Ephrata, WA
MultiCare Allenmore Hospital: Tacoma, WA
MultiCare Auburn Medical Center: Auburn, WA
MultiCare Deaconess Hospital: Spokane, WA
MultiCare Good Samaritan Hospital: Puyallup, WA
MultiCare Tacoma General Hospital: Tacoma, WA

Wyoming

Iverson Memorial Hospital: Laramie, WY