### Frequently Asked Questions: Addiction Medicine

**Review Committees for Anesthesiology, Emergency Medicine, Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Pediatrics, Preventive Medicine, and Psychiatry**

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| **Program Personnel and Resources**                                     | The Review Committees recognize that program directors may not have had the opportunity to obtain certification in addiction medicine from the ABPM during the initial application phase. Therefore, any of the following are acceptable through June 30, 2021:  
  - Certification by the American Board of Addiction Medicine (ABAM); or,  
  - Subspecialty American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) certification in addiction psychiatry, medical toxicology, or pain medicine; or,  
  - Subspecialty American Osteopathic Association (AOA) certification in addiction medicine, medical toxicology, pain management, or pain medicine.  
  After July 1, 2021, the program director must be certified in addiction medicine by the ABPM.  
| What are the expectations for certification if the program director does not yet have American Board of Preventive Medicine (ABPM) certification in addiction medicine? |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| **[Program Requirement: II.A.2.b]**                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| What are the expectations for certification for the additional faculty member with ABPM certification in addiction medicine in the absence of that certification? | The Review Committees recognize that the required additional faculty member may not have had the opportunity to obtain certification in addiction medicine from the ABPM during the initial application phase. Therefore, any of the following are acceptable through June 30, 2021:  
  - Certification by the ABAM; or,  
  - Subspecialty ABMS certification in addiction psychiatry, medical toxicology, or pain medicine; or,  
  - Subspecialty AOA certification in addiction medicine, medical toxicology, pain management, or pain medicine.  
  After July 1, 2021, this faculty member must be certified in addiction medicine by the ABPM.  
| **[Program Requirement: II.B.1.a]**                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |