Rethink your Maintenance of Certification experience with the Longitudinal Knowledge Assessment (LKA®)

No appointment necessary!
Once enrolled, sign in to your ABIM Physician Portal to access your LKA dashboard and answer questions.

Mind the gaps.
Enhance your knowledge with faster feedback and regular progress reports.

Use any resource.
Utilize journals, online resources and more. Anything except another person.

Maximize convenience.
Take questions wherever it works for you. No need to go to a test center.

Maintain board certification at a pace that works for you.
Embrace the freedom of flexibility. Define your road to success.

To pursue a career in internal medicine, you must have it—an absolute dedication to putting progress into practice, a constant search for better care, healthier patient outcomes, and life-changing discoveries. Yet the path to sustained achievement requires a support system, and that’s where ABIM comes in. We’ve dedicated the past 85 years to advancing the practice of internal medicine, innovating our programs along the way to help you keep up. Today, we are redefining the maintenance of certification experience as we open the door to the Longitudinal Knowledge Assessment. Connect to a revolutionary, on-demand, interactive continuing assessment platform that gives you convenient access to questions, references, and rationales that flex to the variable demands of your lifestyle.

At your pace.

Every quarter, you’ll receive a set of new assessment questions. You’ll have four minutes of answer time for each and will get immediate feedback, including references and rationales for the correct and incorrect answers, as well as quarterly progress reports so you’ll know how you’re doing throughout. And you have a bank of 30 extra minutes if you need more time. Plus, you can answer a few at a time and come back later to complete that quarter’s questions. Whatever works best for you.

On your schedule.

We understand that sometimes life happens and you need downtime. That’s why you’ll have the freedom to take a break during the 5-year LKA cycle if something comes up. As long as you open at least 500 questions over 5 years, you’ll meet the Participation Requirement. Remember that once you open a question, it will be scored. So if you plan to take a break simply don’t open the questions – up to 100 over your 5-year LKA cycle – and come back when you’re ready.

A lower-stakes experience

You won’t lose your certification if you don’t achieve a passing score at the end of your five-year cycle. Instead, you’ll then have the opportunity to take the traditional, 10-year MOC exam to achieve a passing score.