

SPECIAL CONSIDERATION PATHWAY E:

International Medical Graduates Who Have Completed a Medicine Residency Abroad
and an ACGME-Accredited Fellowship

Please submit the following documentation with your complete and signed pathway application:

- A proposal letter from the Chair of the Department of Medicine, program director, or DIO, confirming:
 - The candidate completed ACGME-accredited subspecialty fellowship training in good standing with the program. Training must have started July 1, 2016 or later. (Note: ABIM will also verify training with the PD via the [FasTrack Clinical Competence Evaluation System](#).)
 - ACGME criteria was fulfilled and the candidate was recognized as an “exceptionally qualified candidate” during fellowship. (see [ACGME Common Program Requirements \(Fellowship\)](#), 3.2) for additional information).
 - If the applicant is not recognized as an “exceptionally qualified candidate”, entering fellowship as a graduate from an ACGME-International program will fulfill this requirement as well.
 - A letter from the internal medicine program director and/or academic office abroad documenting three or more years of satisfactorily completed training in internal medicine.
 - A current curriculum vitae and bibliography
 - A copy of a valid ECFMG certificate

Register for the Internal Medicine Certification Examination:

Once approved for the Special Consideration Pathway, the candidate may register for the Internal Medicine Certification Examination by signing in to their ABIM Physician Portal at [ABIM.org/signin](#) during open [registration periods](#).

Examination registration [fee](#):

Due at time of registration. May pay by credit card via Physician Portal.

Contact ABIM with Questions:

American Board of Internal Medicine
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Philadelphia, PA 19106-3699
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Note: Candidates seeking certification in a subspecialty must first become certified by ABIM in Internal Medicine.

First Name:**Last Name:****Date of Birth:****Last 4 Digits of SSN or ABIM ID:****Email:****Primary Phone Number:****Mailing Address:****Training Details:****Fellowship Training Program Name/ACGME Program Number:****Fellowship Program Director:****Fellowship Specialty/Fellowship Training Dates:****Demographics:****Practice Location(s)**

- **Within US:** (City, State)
- **Outside of US:** (City, Country)

Focus of practice specialty:**Type of Practice within US** (check all that apply)

Private practice (self-employed or employed)
Group or staff model HMO
Academic faculty practice
Residency teaching clinic
Hospital or health system-owned office-based practice
Hospital inpatient practice
Veterans' Administration facility, military or other
government practice

Nursing home or long-term care facility
Home care
Hospice care
Federally qualified health center or public clinic
Community hospital or Community Practice
Not in practice or retired
Other

If outside of the US, please describe type of practice

Note: Demographic information has no bearing on eligibility decisions.

Licensure

Do you hold a medical license? Yes No

List each jurisdiction of the United States or Canada where you hold a license to practice medicine:

If you are licensed outside of the United States or Canada, please enter the country names:

Please indicate the year you would like to sit for the Internal Medicine Certification Examination:

Terms and Conditions

The Special Consideration Pathway for International Medical Graduates Who Have Completed a Medicine Residency Abroad and an ACGME-Accredited Fellowship is a mechanism to establish certification examination admission standards and criteria for physicians without ACGME-accredited medicine training. Your application for certification through this pathway does not guarantee that ABIM will determine that there is a reasonable basis to permit you to become ABIM Board Certified. You understand that by applying for the Special Consideration Pathway, you are agreeing to be bound by the terms and conditions set forth in this application, as well as the terms, conditions, and rules set forth in ABIM's Policies & Procedures for Certification and on the ABIM website, as they may be amended from time to time.

You understand that ABIM may make subjective professional judgments in its evaluation of your application and eligibility for ABIM Board Certification, and that ABIM's judgments will be final and binding and not subject to further review or appeal. You further agree to indemnify, release, and hold harmless ABIM and its directors, officers and employees, and others who may work with ABIM in connection with the Special Consideration Pathway from and against all claims, liability, damages, expenses, and attorney's fees arising from your application, your participation in the Special Consideration Pathway, and ABIM examinations.

You understand that this application and any disputes arising under this application, the Policies and Procedures for Certification, or the terms, conditions, and rules set forth on ABIM's website shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, without regard to its rules or principles concerning choice of laws. I further agree that any such disputes shall be litigated in a state or federal court located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and that I waive any objection to jurisdiction and venue that I might otherwise have in such a court.

I agree to be legally bound by the foregoing terms and conditions.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Please submit completed application, including all documentation, to:

AcademicAffairs@abim.org