

# **Journey to Board Certification**

**2023 ASA Annual Meeting Mini-Theater Presentation** 

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#### **Our Mission** To advance the highest standards of the practice of anesthesiology



#### **Our Vision**

To be a highly effective and respected medical specialty certifying board that instills confidence and trust



#### **Our Director Values**



# Listen and Engage

# >>>> Lead the Way to Elevate Standards

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#### **Thank You, Residents & Fellows**

#### **Value of Board Certification**

#### **How Patients Perceive ABA Certification**



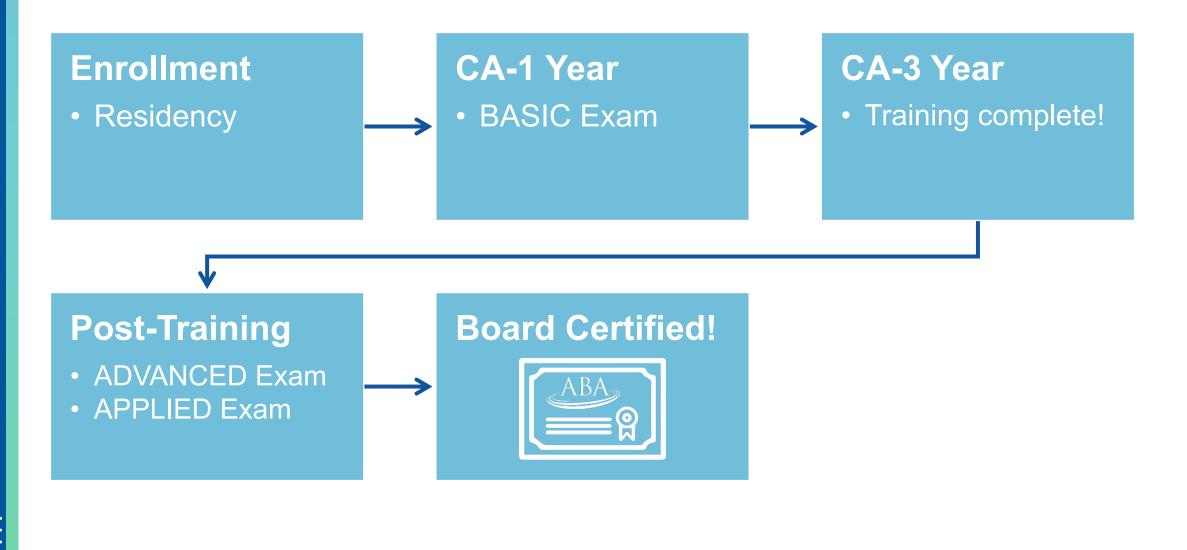
# **Value of Certification**



- Instills confidence and trust in patients
- Board certification signifies that a physician has demonstrated the knowledge, judgment and skills to provide safe and high-quality specialty care and delivers such care consistent with the professional norms expected of a board-certified physician
- Patients expect their physicians to be up-to-date with the most recent medical advances in their specialties
- Patients and institutions expect certified physicians to demonstrate their proficiency through an ongoing board certification process

# **Journey to Board Certification**

#### **Initial Board Certification Exam Timeline**



#### **APPLIED Exam Overview**

# **Standardized Oral Exam (SOE)**

- Based on guided questions that include a patient's brief clinical history and emphasize the scientific rationale underlying clinical management decisions
- Assesses your judgment, adaptability to unexpected clinical changes, organization and presentation of information
- Two, 35-minute exam sessions
- Candidates interact with two examiners during each session



### **Objective Structured Clinical Exam (OSCE)**

- Assesses communication and professionalism, and technical skills related to patient care
- Seven, eight-minute stations
  - Five focused on communication & professionalism skills
  - Three focused on technical skills
- Four minutes between stations to review the next scenario
- Candidates interact with either a standardized patient actor or an examiner in each scenario



#### **Preparing for Your APPLIED Exam**

- Utilize the SOE sample questions and OSCE content outline and sample scenarios on our website
- During exam year, review resources emailed to you in the months leading up to your exam
- Coming 2024 APPLIED Exam experience video



#### What To Expect as a Board-Certified Anesthesiologist

#### **Importance of Continuing Certification**

- Maintenance of Certification in Anesthesiology (MOCA) program allows board-certified anesthesiologists to remain current in their knowledge of the practice
- Stay up-to-date on best practices in patient care
- Assure patients of your commitment to quality clinical outcomes and patient safety



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# **MOCA Program Requirements: Five-Year Cycle**



#### **Medical License**

Maintain an active, unrestricted medical licensure



#### CME

Earn 125 Category 1 CME credits every five years (10 Patient Safety)



#### **MOCA Minute**

Answer 120 questions each year; meet the performance standard



#### **Quality Improvement**

Earn and attest to 25 QI points every five years

#### **ABA GO Portal**

- On-demand overview of your certification status and progress toward MOCA requirements in one easy-to-use app and web platform
- Register for subspecialty exams, view exam results and payment history, request accommodations, etc.
- Verify and report CME and QI activities, answer MOCA Minute questions and update medical license status



#### **MOCA Minute**

- MOCA Minute supports board-certified anesthesiologists' continuous learning through longitudinal assessment
- Answer 30 MOCA Minute questions per calendar quarter (120 per year)
- Meet the performance standard (p-value of  $\geq$  0.10)
- Earn CME credits for completing your quarterly MOCA Minute questions (up to 10 credits per year)
  - Answer all 30 MOCA Minute questions in the quarter they are assigned to receive credit
  - Earn 2.5 credits per quarter
- Exploring opportunities for MOCA Minute application for residents





# **Your Connection to Board Certification**

- Pursue a subspecialty certification
- Volunteer opportunities
  - Write and edit exam questions
  - Examine APPLIED candidates
  - Assist with program initiatives
- Our team is available to provide support throughout your career
  - Phone and email support
- We value your feedback!
  - Annual surveys and opportunities to share your voice







# **Questions?**

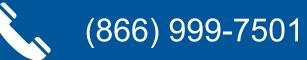


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