

Dear Colleague,

The National Board of Physicians and Surgeons (NBPAS) was founded in 2015 in response to physician discontent with MOC. NBPAS continues to grow and has now certified over 6500 physicians.

MOC Evidence Base: Marketing materials from ABMS member boards often promote studies that they argue support the clinical value of MOC. NBPAS asked two independent clinical trialists to review the evidence. Click on the link below to view our [MOC JOURNAL CLUB](#). Drs. David Cohen, Ajay Kirtane and myself review the best available data comprising 10 studies examining MOC. Neither of the two invited physicians considers themselves “anti MOC.” Our purpose in posting this review is to illustrate how difficult it is to obtain robust data on this subject.

[Link to MOC Journal Club](#)

Anti-MOC legislation: We are pleased to inform you of a **newly passed Tennessee law, effective 7/1/2018, that prohibits the requirement of MOC to maintain hospital privileges and to be reimbursed by payers.** Tennessee physicians who elect not to pursue ABMS member board MOC may remain “Board Certified” by becoming a Diplomate of NBPAS, [click here to apply](#). Tennessee joins Georgia and Texas with strong state laws prohibiting MOC. Currently, there are 14 more states with pending anti-MOC bills.

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Thank you for your support!

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