



The Evolution of CM

AMERICAN BOARD OF ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY (ABOMS)

Overview

- ▶ Background
- ▶ Travel in Time
- ▶ Current Certification Maintenance process
- ▶ Evaluation of the Process
- ▶ Certification Maintenance in 2020

Background

“Hospitals across America are simply clamoring for some yardstick for the measurement of competence in oral surgery... If we raise our standards of graduate training and our requirements for national recognition by means of board certification, we have nothing to fear; if we don't, we have a lot to fear.”

Carl Waldron, University of Minnesota, 1940s

Travel in Time

- ▶ First discussions of recertification circulated in 1968
- ▶ Time-limited certificates were issued in 1990
- ▶ ABOMS first Recertification Examination was administered in 1997
- ▶ The format changed from one examination to modular
- ▶ Became computer based in 2003
- ▶ Implemented Certification Maintenance in 2009
- ▶ Recertification Examination returned to one exam as opposed to modular

Certification Maintenance Today

- ▶ The Certification Maintenance (CM) process was designed to address one of the principal deficiencies of certification by reexamination. Rather than having a system with periodic recertification, the process changed to a system of continuous and ongoing professional evaluation.
 - ▶ Evidence of Professional Standing
 - ▶ Evidence of Lifelong Learning
 - ▶ Evaluation of Performance in Practice
 - ▶ Evidence of Cognitive Expertise

CM Program

Professional Standing

- The Board Certified surgeon is required to answer credentialing questions prior to submitting his/her Annual fees

Lifelong Learning and Self-Assessment

- Board Certified surgeons who are eligible may register to take the ABOMS self-assessment tool which is given online over a course of time.
- During the Recertification Application, the surgeon will attest to having 90 hours of CE

Performance in Practice

- While applying for the RE, the Board Certified Surgeon must attest to having done an evaluation of performance in practice or alternative pathway

Cognitive Expertise

- All Board Certified surgeons are required to successfully pass the RE prior to their time-limited certificate expiring



“To improve is to change;
to be perfect is to change
often”

WINSTON CHURCHILL

Discussions of the CM program began in 2005 and was established in 2009. In 2016, the cycle of discussion picked up once more.

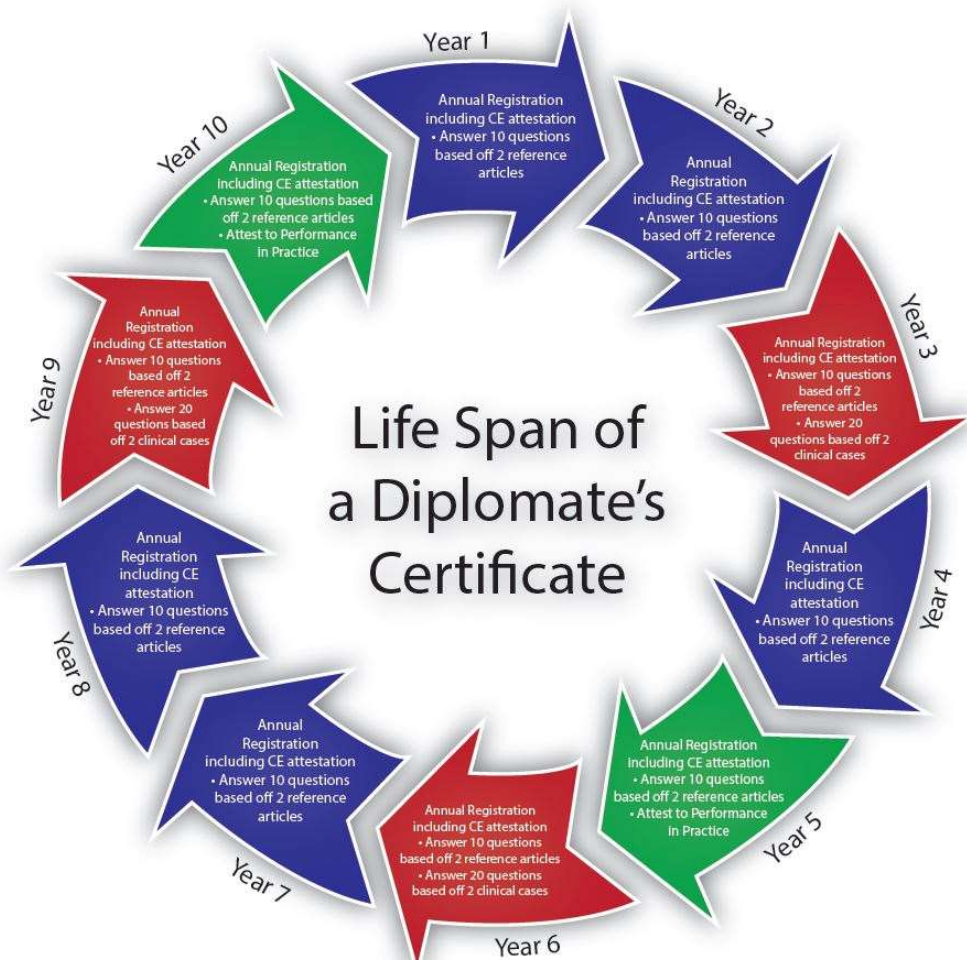
Questions to Ask your Board

- ▶ What is your board's mission for maintaining certification?
- ▶ Are your objectives still relevant?
- ▶ Does your process fulfill your board's expectations?

- ▶ For ABOMS...
 - ▶ Is a secure examination still relevant?
 - ▶ Is an online-open book exam a possibility?
 - ▶ How is continuing education adding value to our members

After the meeting...

- ▶ Establish an ad hoc committee to continue your efforts
- ▶ Hold quarterly conference calls to investigate and determine the right plan for your board



What the future looks like



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