



CME Requirements by Specialty Board

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For the 2022-24 certification CME cycle, all AOA board-certified diplomates are required to meet the CME requirement(s) of their specialty certifying board(s) as listed in the table below. Please note the listed requirements are for the sole purpose of AOA Board Certification only. It is the responsibility of the individual physician to stay informed of their CME requirements for state licensure, membership in other organizations, etc.

| Specialty Board | Total Requirement | Category 1-A and/or 1-B Requirement | Special Notes |
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| Anesthesiology (AOBA) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 75 credits of CME | 18 credits AOA Category 1-A or 1-B CME | |
| Anesthesiology (AOBA) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | 30 credits AOA Category 1-A or 1-B CME | |
| Dermatology (AOBD) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 60 credits of CME | 20 credits AOA Category 1-A CME | All 20 Category 1-A CME must be specialty-specific |
| Dermatology (AOBD) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | 20 credits must be AOA Category 1-A CME | All 20 Category 1-A CME must be specialty-specific |
| Emergency Medicine (AOBEM) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 60 credits of CME | | |
| Emergency Medicine (AOBEM) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | | |
| Family Practice (AOBFP) All diplomates: Time-limited and non-time-limited | 120 credits of CME | 30 credits must be AOA Category 1-A CME. An additional 30 credits must be AOA Category 1-A or 1-B CME | The remaining 60 credits of the 120-credit requirement can be AOA Category 1-A; 1-B; 2-A; 2-B or AAFP credits. These credits include AAFP or ACCME accredited activities as defined by the AOA. |
| Internal Medicine (AOBIM) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 60 credits of CME | 15 credits must be AOA Category 1-A or 1-B CME | All 60 credits must be specialty specific. |

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| Internal Medicine (AOBIM) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | | 50 credits must be specialty specific. |
| Neurology & Psychiatry (AOBNP) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 75 credits of CME | 18 credits must be AOA Category 1-A CME | |
| Neurology & Psychiatry (AOBNP) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | 30 credits must be AOA Category 1-A CME | |
| Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine (AOBNMM) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 60 credits of CME | 30 credits AOA Category 1-A CME | 15 of the 30 Category 1A CME must be hands-on practical specialty CME |
| Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine (AOBNMM) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | 60 credits AOA Category 1-A CME | 15 of the 60 Category 1A CME must be hands-on practical specialty CME |
| RETIRED Nuclear Medicine (AOBNM) All diplomates: Time-limited and non-time-limited | 120 credits of CME | | 25% specialty specific |
| Obstetrics & Gynecology (AOBOG) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 60 credits of CME | | 25 credits specialty specific |
| Obstetrics & Gynecology (AOBOG) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | | 50 credits specialty specific |
| Ophthalmology & Otolaryngology (AOBOO) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 60 credits of CME | 25 credits AOA Category 1-A CME | All 25 Category 1A CME must be specialty specific |
| Ophthalmology & Otolaryngology (AOBOO) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | 25 credits must be AOA Category 1-A CME | All 25 Category 1A CME must be specialty specific |
| RETIRED AOBOO Subspecialty Cert (Otolaryngic Allergy) | 120 credits of CME | | 25% specialty specific |
| Orthopedic Surgery (AOBOS) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 60 credits of CME | 15 credits AOA Category 1-A CME | |

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| Orthopedic Surgery (AOBOS) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | 30 credits AOA Category 1-A CME | |
| Pathology (AOBPa) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 60 credits of CME | | |
| Pathology (AOBPa) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | | |
| Pediatrics (AOBP) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 60 credits of CME | 15 credits AOA Category 1-A CME | |
| Pediatrics (AOBP) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | 30 credits AOA Category 1-A CME | |
| RETIRED AOBP Subspecialty Cert • Adolescent Medicine • Pediatric Endocrinology • Pediatric Pulmonology | 120 credits of CME | | 25% specialty specific |
| Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation (AOBPMR) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 75 credits of CME | 18 credits AOA Category 1-A CME | |
| Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation (AOBPMR) Non-time-limited diplomats not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | 30 credits AOA Category 1-A CME | |
| Preventive Medicine (AOBPM) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 60 credits of CME | | 24 credits specialty specific |
| Preventive Medicine (AOBPM) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | | 48 credits specialty specific |
| RETIRED Proctology (AOBPr) All diplomates | 120 credits of CME | | 25% specialty specific |
| Radiology (AOBR) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 60 credits of CME | | |
| Radiology (AOBR) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | | |

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| Surgery (AOBS) Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC | 60 credits of CME | | |
| Surgery (AOBS) Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC | 120 credits of CME | | |