The American Board of Nuclear Medicine presented its CertLink® pilot data to the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) Committee on Continuing Certification (3C) in November 2020. CertLink is a longitudinal assessment program introduced in 2018 that satisfies Part 3 of the ABNM Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program. 3C is the ABMS committee that oversees the MOC programs of ABMS Member Boards. The committee recommended making CertLink a permanent part of ABNM MOC. The ABMS Board of Directors approved the committee’s recommendation in February 2021.

Preliminary analysis of a psychometrically determined passing score indicates that 96-99% of ABNM diplomates participating in CertLink from 2018-2020 had a passing score, which is similar to the percentage of diplomates with a passing score on the MOC exam during the same period of time. Diplomate feedback on CertLink has been very positive, with 99% agreeing it is a valuable learning experience, and 88% likely to recommend it to a colleague.

We hope that more ABNM diplomates will see the value of CertLink as an educational self-assessment tool, and convenient way to satisfy MOC Part 3. We also hope that more lifetime certificate holders will see the value of CertLink and begin to participate.

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