What is MOC?

- MOC = Maintenance of Certification
- 4-part process designed to engage physicians in continuous, lifelong learning (*required for all diplomates initially certified after 1988)
- You must complete an examination every 10 years for each certification you wish to maintain – but activities for one certification may count towards another.
- You must enroll by December of the year your current certificate expires.
- If you hold a time-limited certificate, you are not yet in a points-based MOC program

Key Points about MOC

- You must meet the requirements associated with your current certification BEFORE you are eligible to enroll in MOC
- THIS CAN TAKE SEVERAL MONTHS
- ABP states December 31 deadline but recommends completing activities and enrollment at least 2-3 weeks prior to this date to avoid lapse in certification status
- Therefore, ENROLL BY EARLY DECEMBER!

How do I enroll in MOC?

- Log into ABP Website – www.abp.org
  - Click on My ABP Portfolio
  - Acknowledge you hold a valid, unrestricted Medical License
- For those who hold a current, time-limited certificate, you must:
  - Find and perform ONE Part 2 MOC Activity
  - Find and perform ONE Part 4 MOC Activity
  - Consider the TIME COMMITMENT needed to complete the activities in which you choose to participate
- ONLY AFTER performing above - may then enroll into Maintenance of Certification

How To Maintain Your Time-Limited ABP Certification

- Need Valid Medical License
- Perform ONE Part 2 Activity
- Perform ONE Part 4 Activity
- ENROLL in MOC $$$
What is a MOC Part 2 Activity?

- Part 2 is a Knowledge Self Assessment Activity
- An approved Part 2 activity can be completed in ANY area of specialty; does not have to be specific to GI
- Activities currently offered which are specific to GI Specialists are literature-based activities
  - Involves reading articles and answering article-associated questions
  - Multiple choice
  - Receive continuing education credit
  - Can be performed in one sitting
  - Only one Part 2 activity required for diplomates with a time-limited certificate, regardless of point value

What is a MOC Part 4 Activity?

- Performance In Practice Activity
- GI Projects:
  - Continuing education component
  - Requires baseline collection of patient data
  - Involves performance of quality improvement project to improve results of initial patient data collection
  - Requires REPEAT collection of patient data AT MULTIPLE LATER TIME POINTS
  - CANNOT BE DONE IN ONE SITTING
  - Simulated data provided for diplomates with limited or NO clinical activity
  - Time commitment varies greatly dependent upon activity chosen
  - Only one Part 4 activity required for diplomates with a time-limited certificate, regardless of point value

How do I find Part 2 or 4 Activities?

- Log In to your ABP Portfolio from the ABP homepage.
  - Click Maintenance of Certification (MOC)
  - Click Parts 2 and 4 Activity Search
  - Refer to ABP MOC Instruction Guide for Step by Step
  - Available at NASPGHAN website
  - Also available at www.abp.org

MOC Part 2 Activities

- Pediatric Gastroenterology Specific Activities available
- 2010 Gastroenterology Self-Assessment
- 2011 Gastroenterology Self-Assessment
- 2012 Gastroenterology Self-Assessment

MOC Part 4 Activities

- NASPGHAN-sponsored activities in development
- UCSD HOPE Project (Obesity)
  - See attached brochure and enrollment instructions
  - Requires minimum of 4 months
- Influenza PIM
  - Requires 6 week minimum
  - May participate if you have limited or no clinical activity
- Hand hygiene PIM
  - Requires a minimum of 2 weeks to complete
  - May participate if you have limited or no clinical activity

How do I get proof of MOC?

- Once you have enrolled, you will receive confirmation of your MOC via email
- Otherwise, you may download your MOC Completion Letter by logging into your ABP portfolio
  - Select My Archives
  - Select the notice MOC Completion
Now that I’m enrolled.....

- An examination is required every 10 years in each area of certification you want to maintain
  - If you took your last exam in 2003, you MUST take and exam in 2013 to maintain that certification
- 5 more years to perform the following:
  - 40 points with Part 2 Activities
    - Each activity 10-20 points
  - 40 points with Part 4 Activities
    - Each activity 10-25 points
    - Some 35 points but restricted access
  - An additional 20 points with either a Part 2 or 4 activity
  - Patient survey

What If I did not enroll in MOC on time (before my certificate lapsed)?

- Your ABP Certification is now expired in this area
- To regain certification, you must:
  - Enroll via the ABP Web site so that you have access to activities (NOTE: You will not be considered certified until you have met ALL requirements)
  - Earn the required 100 points through completion of Part 2 and 4 activities
  - Take the MOC examination if your last examination wasn’t completed in the past 10 years

Other Things to Know.....

- The enrollment fee for MOC includes ONE MOC examination
- Check regularly under My MOC Requirements within your ABP Portfolio for your individual requirements and due dates
- Patient survey forms available in future
- Refer to ABP MOC Instruction Guide for Step by Step
  - Available at www.abp.org

NASPGHAN MOC Part 4 Modules

- Primary Goal: To support NASPGHAN members to meet MOC Part 4 credit requirements
- Method: Cooperative development
  - NASPGHAN Committees (Endoscopy, Nutrition, IBD, Neurogastroenterology)
  - MOC Committee (J. Huang, J. Lightdale)
  - ABP (J. Teitelbaum)
- Stay Tuned for more information.

NASPGHAN Involvement in MOC Activity Development

- Already involved in development of MOC Part 2 activity development in conjunction with ABP
- Recent Survey demonstrates desire for NASPGHAN to develop MOC Part 4 module
  - 89% of those responding (n=418) want NASPGHAN to develop a part 4 module on endoscopy or colonoscopy
  - 72% of those responding want NASPGHAN to develop other modules.
    - Abdominal pain, constipation most popular
    - GERD, EE, celiac disease, liver disease, IBD
    - "ANYTHING"
Contact information

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