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*Re: ACP Applauds ABIM's Extension of MOC Requirements*

The American College of Physicians (ACP) applauds the American Board of Internal Medicine's (ABIM) decision to extend deadlines for all Maintenance of Certification (MOC) requirements through 2022. ACP has assured ABIM leadership understands the significant impact of the global COVID-19 pandemic on internists and has advocated for extending certificate deadlines to help alleviate exam-related stress. Extending certification will allow ABIM diplomates the options to join the new longitudinal assessment that is planned to launch in 2022, or sit for a long-form secure exam at a testing center when the current public health crisis has been stabilized.

ACP is committed to supporting your professional development and lifelong learning and to representing your needs. We will continue to advocate for a constructive approach for internists to demonstrate their professional knowledge and skills.

The College recognizes that many internists have been working nonstop throughout the past year in the midst of a global pandemic and may feel overwhelmed, stressed or depressed. The [I.M. Emotional Support Hub](#) provides resources and information to help protect your health and well-being and sustain your ability to care for those in need.