The ABMS Program for Maintenance of Certification (ABMS MOC®) is Linked to Better Quality Patient Care

**MOC linked to better diabetes care –**
Physicians improve hemoglobin A1c and blood pressure control, plus increase foot and eye exams.

**Physicians improve process measures and hemoglobin A1 control.**

**MOC linked to better asthma care –**
Pediatricians improve asthma action plans and control tests, resulting in a decline of asthma exacerbations for patients.

**Physicians improve care for asthma patients.**

**Pediatricians improve flu vaccine rates for asthma population.**

**MOC linked to better hypertension care –**
Family doctors improve care of patients with hypertension after completing MOC activity.

**Physicians improve blood pressure control in hypertensive patients.**
MOC linked to better care for children –

**Pediatricians improve HPV vaccination rates.**

**Pediatricians improve screening for injury prevention.**

**Pediatricians improve Crohn’s disease and ulcerative colitis.**

**Pediatricians improve catheter-associated bloodstream infection rates.**

**Pediatric gastroenterologists improve documentation, processes, and patient outcomes for endoscopic procedures.**

**Pediatricians reduce use of unnecessary CTs for children with head injuries.**

**Physicians reduce infant deaths associated with congenital heart disease.**

MOC linked to better care for elderly –

**Physicians improve processes of care for diabetes and mammography screening in Medicare patients.**

**Physicians boost screening for fall risk in vulnerable elderly population.**
**MOC linked to better practice of medicine –**

**MOC facilitates physicians making practice improvements –**

*Family physicians find MOC activities highly relevant, useful for treating patients.*


*Anesthesiologists change practice based on MOC activity.*


*Emergency physicians find MOC activity relevant, likely to change practice.*


**MOC increases adherence to clinical guidelines –**

**MOC exam promotes use of diabetes guidelines.**


**MOC activity encourages use of hypertension guidelines.**


**Physicians boost compliance with pediatric obesity guidelines after completing MOC activity.**


**Family physicians improve asthma diagnosis by using action plans and guidelines after completing MOC activity.**


**MOC identifies knowledge gaps –**

**MOC activity helps neurosurgeons identify knowledge gaps.**

MOC is associated with fewer state medical board disciplinary actions—Physicians who pass MOC exam less likely to face disciplinary actions than those who don’t pass exam.
