

# CME requirements by specialty board per 3-year cycle

For the 2019-2021 CME cycle, all non-time-limited diplomates will be required to earn 120 total CME credits regardless of specialty, unless they choose to voluntarily participate in OCC. All time-limited diplomates and non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC are required to meet the requirements of their board(s) as listed below:

Specialty Board	Total CME Requirement	Category 1-A and/or 1-B	Category 2-A and/or 2-B (AMA PRA™)	Special Notes
Anesthesiology (AOBA)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	75 credits	18 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	
Anesthesiology (AOBA)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	30 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	
Dermatology (AOBD)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	60 credits	15 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	A maximum of 8 CME credits will be granted for serving as a preceptor
Dermatology (AOBD)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	30 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	

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Emergency Medicine (AOBEM)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	60 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	
Emergency Medicine (AOBEM)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	
Family Practice (AOBFP)Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	120 credits	30 credits must be AOA Category 1-A, an additional 30 credits can be either AOA Category 1-A or 1-B.	The remaining 60 required credits are flexible, e.g. 60 out of the total required 120 credits can be either AOA Category 1-A, 1-B, 2-A, 2-B or AAFP credits. Thus, these credits may include AAFP or ACCME accredited activities as defined by the AOA CME Guide.	
Family Practice (AOBFP)Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC	120 credits	30 credits must be AOA Category 1-A, an additional 30 credits can be either AOA Category 1-A or 1-B.	The remaining 60 required credits are flexible, e.g. 60 out of the total required 120 credits can be either AOA Category 1-A, 1-B, 2-A, 2-B or AAFP credits. Thus, these credits may include AAFP or ACCME accredited activities as defined by the AOA CME Guide.	
Internal Medicine (AOBIM)Time-limited	60 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	

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or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC				
Internal Medicine (AOBIM)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	
Neurology & Psychiatry (AOBNP)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	75 credits	18 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	
Neurology & Psychiatry (AOBNP)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	30 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	
Neuromusculoskeletal (AOBNMM)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	60 credits	30 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	
Neuromusculoskeletal (AOBNMM)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	60 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	

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Nuclear Medicine (AOBNM)All diplomates	120 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	25% must be specialty-specific ( <a href="#">View details</a> )
Obstetrics & Gynecology (AOBOG)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	60 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	
Obstetrics & Gynecology (AOBOG)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	
Ophthalmology & Otolaryngology (AOBOO)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	60 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	
Ophthalmology & Otolaryngology (AOBOO)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	
Orthopedic Surgery (AOBOS)Time-limited or non-time-limited	60 credits	15 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	

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voluntarily participating in OCC				
Orthopedic Surgery (AOBOS)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	30 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	
Pathology (AOBPa)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	60 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	If a diplomate holds certification in both Anatomic Pathology and Clinical Pathology/ Laboratory Medicine, the total requirement is still 60 credits
Pathology (AOBPa)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	If a diplomate holds certification in both Anatomic Pathology and Clinical Pathology/ Laboratory Medicine, the total requirement is still 120 credits
Pediatrics (AOBP)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	60 credits	15 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	
Pediatrics (AOBP)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	30 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	

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Physical Med & Rehab (AOBPMR)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	60 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	
Physical Med & Rehab (AOBPMR)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	
Preventive Medicine (AOBPM)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	60 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	
Preventive Medicine (AOBPM)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	
Proctology (AOBPr)All diplomates	120 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	25% must be specialty-specific ( <a href="#">View details</a> )
Radiology (AOBR)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	60 credits	10 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	
Radiology (AOBR)Non-time-	120 credits	20 credits must be AOA Category 1-A	No specific requirement	

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limited not participating in OCC				
Surgery (AOBS)Time-limited or non-time-limited voluntarily participating in OCC	60 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	
Surgery (AOBS)Non-time-limited not participating in OCC	120 credits	No specific requirement	No specific requirement	