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**Cc:** Ayoade, Maryann <maryann.ayoade@nrc.gov>; Brent Wagner <bwagner@theabr.org>  
**Subject:** RE: RE: ABR - Results of the NRC Specialty Board Review

Okay. We look forward to receiving it.

I hope you're having a nice summer.

Jenny

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**Subject:** [External\_Sender] RE: ABR - Results of the NRC Specialty Board Review

Thank you for the update, Jenny.

We are also very close to having updated (MS, PSM, and Phd) sample versions of the medical physics certificates issued from May 2007 to April 2010. Our old printer has been helpful, but has been a bit slow in responding to our requests for updated versions. I hoping I'll be able to get these to you very soon.

Thanks again,  
David

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Hi David,

Forgive me, I meant to 'cc you on the below email.

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**Subject:** ABR - Results of the NRC Specialty Board Review

Dear Dr. Wagner,

Thank you for participating in the NRC specialty board review. The following are attached for your review:

ML22125A247 Evaluation of NRC Recognized Specialty Boards

ML22145A554 Completion of the Review for Continued Recognition by the NRC - ABR

Please let us know if you have any questions.

With Kinds Regards,

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**Subject:** [External\_Sender] RE: Updated ABR Termination Letter

Hi Maryann,

We don't really have a good sense of how many radiation oncology (AU-Eligible) or medical physics (AMP- and RSO-Eligible) diplomates pursue the status through the NRC or agreement states? The anecdotal figure provided by Dr. Wagner was specific to diagnostic radiology.

Please let us know if you have any additional questions.

Best,  
David

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Good Afternoon Dr. Wagner,

We have a follow up question based on our conversation with you on April 6<sup>th</sup> regarding the anecdotal data you provided for candidates that received the ABR certification. You mentioned that the ABR certifies about 2,400 individuals per year in all disciplines, and that Diagnostic Radiology represents more than half of this total number and only 10% of DRs go on to be AUs. Does that 10% also apply to other specialty areas that are recognized by NRC (for the AU, AMP, and RSO)?

Regards,

*Maryann*

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Hi Maryann,

As promised, I have an update regarding the Radiation Oncology exam content. We've made changes to the three qualifying exam guides with additional details as outlined in 10 CFR 35.490(a)(2) and 10 CFR 35.690(a)(2).

Below are links to those guides and their accompanying PDFs.

<https://www.theabr.org/radiation-oncology/initial-certification/the-qualifying-exam/studying-for-the-exam/medical-physics-radiation-oncology>

<https://www.theabr.org/radiation-oncology/initial-certification/the-qualifying-exam/studying-for-the-exam/radiation-cancer-biology>

<https://www.theabr.org/radiation-oncology/initial-certification/the-qualifying-exam/studying-for-the-exam/clinical-radiation-oncology>

Please let me know if you have any additional questions or need anything further.

Thank you,  
David

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**Subject:** [External\_Sender] RE: RE: AMERICAN BOARD OF RADIOLOGY, REVIEW OF SPECIALTY BOARD CONTINUED RECOGNITION BY THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Hi Maryann,

Thank you for providing the additional information and detail regarding the specialty board recognized certificates that were issued beyond the 7-yr time frame. Based on this information, we'd like to leave all NRC-recognized certificates listed. We'll continue to work with our old certificate vendor to get the last remaining sample certificates issued from June 2007-June 2010.

I'll have an update on the radiation oncology exam content study guides before the end of this week.

Thanks,  
David

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Good morning David,

Thank you for following up with Jenny and for clarifying the question I had regarding the radiation oncology exam content. You mentioned in your May 27<sup>th</sup> email that the ABR would recommend that the NRC remove the sample certificates from the section you highlighted from our website because the RSO-eligible and AMP-eligible designations issued on these certificates are more than 7 years past training and as a result are no longer valid.

Note that once the certificates are removed from the NRC website, they will no longer be seen as NRC-recognized certificates. The NRC keeps the specialty board recognized certificates that were issued beyond the 7-yr time frame in accordance with 10 CFR 35.59, "Recentness of Training" for a few reasons:

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1. There may be individuals who at one time met the board certification requirements and received their certificate with "AU/AMP/RSO Eligible," but have not been involved in licensing medical-use activities for extended periods of time (7 years or more). If these individuals end up seeking to become involved in these activities again as AUs, AMPs, or RSOs, they can still use these older recognized certificates along with documentation of continuing education, as long as the certificate is listed on the NRC website.
2. For historical knowledge and questions that may arise regarding past certificates.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,

Maryann

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Thank you, Jenny.

I used May 20xx-May 20xx to match the format on the NRC website, <https://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/med-use-toolkit/spec-board-cert.html>. The redlined dates you suggested are correct.

Please let me know if you need anything else.

Best,  
David

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Dear David,

Good morning. I am working with Maryann on the Evaluation of NRC-recognized Specialty Boards. Thank you for your submission!

As we were processing the ABR certificates, we noticed that some of the dates overlapped by 1 day. You do not need to submit new documentation, but I am looking for a confirmation. Please see the red edits below. Can you confirm that the following edits are correct? If so, I will be using these dates to update the NRC public website.

June 2007 to June 2010: we are still trying to get these certificates from our old vendor.  
May 1, 2011 to April 30, May 2012: certificates with MS, PSM, & PhD for all three medical physics disciplines have been provided (pgs. 1-10 of the attached PDF)  
May 1, 2012 to April 30, May 2013: certificates with MS, PSM, & PhD for all three medical physics disciplines have been provided (pgs. 11-20 of the attached PDF)  
May 1, 2013 to April 30, May 2019: certificates with MS, PSM, & PhD for all three medical physics disciplines have been provided (pgs. 21-30 of the attached PDF)  
May 1, 2019 to Present: certificates with MS, PSM, & PhD for all three medical physics disciplines have been provided (pgs. 31-40 of the attached PDF)

Thanks so much,

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**Subject:** [External\_Sender] RE: RE: Re: AMERICAN BOARD OF RADIOLOGY, REVIEW OF SPECIALTY BOARD CONTINUED RECOGNITION BY THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Good afternoon Maryann,

I wanted to follow up on your email below.

Regarding the Radiation Oncology exam content as outlined in 10 CFR 35.490(a)(2) and 10 CFR 35.690(a)(2) – we have general references in the three qualifying exam study guides that cover all of the topics listed. However, we think it would be useful to update the study to more directly reference the requirements. We're working on that and should have that done sometime next week.

Regarding the medical physics certificates. I am sorry for the delay in getting these sent. We've been struggling with an old certificate vendor that we haven't worked with in more than ten years. Please find a description of what we have below.

In addition, we would recommend the NRC remove the sample certificates from the highlighted groups below from your website because the RSO-eligible and AMP-eligible designations issued on these certificates are more than 7 years past training and as a result are no longer valid.

June 2007 to June 2010: we are still trying to get these certificates from our old vendor.

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May 2013 to May 2019: certificates with MS, PSM, & PhD for all three medical physics disciplines have been provided (pgs. 21-30 of the attached PDF)

May 2019 to Present: certificates with MS, PSM, & PhD for all three medical physics disciplines have been provided (pgs. 31-40 of the attached PDF)

Please let me know if you have any additional questions. I'll be in touch next week to follow up on the radiation oncology study guides.

I hope you have an enjoyable holiday weekend.

Best,  
David

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Good Afternoon David,

Please ignore the two emails you may have received earlier and use this instead. I tried to reach you via telephone this afternoon and got your voicemail.

Can you share when we can expect to receive the revised ABR certificates?

In reviewing the exam content for Radiation Oncology (<https://www.theabr.org/radiation-oncology/initial-certification/the-qualifying-exam/studying-for-the-exam>), I can't seem to find all of the areas that are required in 10 CFR 35.490(a)(2) and 10 CFR 35.690(a)(2). Can you please direct me to where I can find this?

- 10 CFR 35.490(a)(2): Pass an examination, administered by diplomates of the specialty board, that tests knowledge and competence in radiation safety, radionuclide handling, treatment planning, quality assurance, and clinical use of manual brachytherapy; or ...
- 10 CFR 35.690(a)(2): (2) Pass an examination, administered by diplomates of the specialty board, which tests knowledge and competence in radiation safety, radionuclide handling, treatment planning, quality assurance, and clinical use of stereotactic radiosurgery, remote afterloaders and external beam therapy; or ...

Thank you,

Maryann

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Hi David,

Thank you for providing the requested information and for clarifying the validity of the NRC-recognized ABR certificates.

Please note that if ABR would like the NRC and Agreement States to recognize ABR board certified individuals with the Professional Science Master's Medical Physics degree, you need to provide a sample ABR certificate for this degree and include the watermark "NOT VALID." See attached email sent August 3, 2021, for last correspondence regarding this item.

Additionally:

- a. Provide an explanation of how the ABR verifies that all of its medical physics candidates meet the NRC requirements in 10 CFR 35.51(a) for the NRC to continue to recognize this ABR board certification process.
- b. Explain how the ABR verifies that all its candidates have advanced degrees in the appropriate fields from an **accredited college or university** (in accordance with 10 CFR 35.51(a)(1)). Note that the NRC requirements in 10 CFR 35.51(a) do not require medical physicists to complete residency programs.
- c. Explain how the ABR verifies that all its candidates have 2 years of full-time practical training and/or **supervised experience in medical physics** (in accordance with 10 CFR 35.51(a)(2)) – under the supervision of a medical physicist who is certified in medical physics by an NRC or Agreement State recognized specialty board OR by a physician that meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.57, 35.490, or 35.690. You just stated that the residency programs met CAMPEP accreditation requirements.

Note that all sample certificates (referenced in this email and my email sent on May 9, 2022) should include the correct degree designations, the issue and valid through dates, and the watermark "NOT VALID."

Thank you,

*Maryann*

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**REFERENCED August 3, 2021 Letter**

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**Subject:** RE: RE: Regarding ABR acceptance of Professional Science Master's - Medical Physics degree.

Good Afternoon David,

Thank you for responding to my previous e-mail.

1. We still need the ABR to provide NRC with a **sample ABR certificate for the Professional Science Master's Medical Physics degree** and include the watermark "NOT VALID". Note that this sample certificate needs to be added to the NRC Recognized Specialty Board webpage for the NRC and the Agreement States to recognize other ABR board certified individuals with this degree.
2. We still need the ABR to explain how it verifies that all of its medical physics candidates meet the NRC requirements in 10 CFR 35.51(a) for the NRC to continue to recognize this ABR board certification process.
  - a. You did not explain how the ABR verifies that all its candidates have advanced degrees in the appropriate fields from an **accredited college or university** (in accordance with 10 CFR 35.51(a)(1). In your response to the items we requested via e-mail on June 28, 2021 (see yellow highlight in e-mail correspondence below), you addressed what the ABR does to verify accreditation of residency programs. Note that the NRC requirements in 10 CFR 35.51(a) do not require medical physicists to complete residency programs.
  - b. You did not explain how the ABR verifies that all its candidates have 2 years of full-time practical training and/or **supervised experience in medical physics** (in accordance with 10 CFR 35.51(a)(2)) – under the supervision of a medical physicist who is certified in medical physics by an NRC or Agreement State recognized specialty board OR by a physician that meets the requirements in 10 CFR 35.57, 35.490, or 35.690. You just stated that the residency programs met CAMPEP accreditation requirements.
3. Provide corrected sample certificates that include the correct degree designations and issue and valid through dates. Please review all of the ABR sample certificates listed on the NRC specialty board webpage (<https://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/med-use-toolkit/spec-board-cert.html>). Some of the ABR sample certificates for 10 CFR 35.50 and 35.51 do not reflect the necessary degree designations. Some certificates do not have a degree listed at all, and some have an "M.D." listed instead of a master's or doctorate degree. Furthermore, some of the issue date ranges and valid through dates may not be correct. Make sure that each replacement sample certificate that you will submit includes the watermark "NOT VALID".

Let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,  
Maryann

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Thank you for your patience, Maryann. Below are responses to your questions from last week.

1. Your letter dated April 21, 2022, does not include two of the four NRC-recognized ABR specialty area certifications for the Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) and Associate Radiation Safety Officer (ARSO) training – Diagnostic Radiological Physics and Medical Nuclear Physics. It also does not include one of the two NRC-recognized ABR specialty area certifications for the Authorized Medical Physicist (AMP) training – Therapeutic

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Radiologic Physics. A review of your website also does list or include these specialty areas.

Are these certificates no longer valid? If they are not valid, please indicate the date(s) that these certificates stopped being issued.

*In 2011, the ABR changed the name of Radiologic Physics to Medical Physics:*

- *Therapeutic Medical Physics replaced Therapeutic Radiologic Physics.*
- *Diagnostic Medical Physics replaced Diagnostic Radiologic Physics.*
- *Nuclear Medical Physics replaced Medical Nuclear Physics.*

*The last time-limited certificates issued under the name of Radiologic Physics were valid through 12/31/2020 as long as the diplomate was meeting Maintenance of Certification requirements.*

2. Your website (<https://www.theabr.org/medical-physics/initial-certification/certification-requirements/nrc-compliance#discontinue>) also lists only two NRC-recognized specialty areas for the AMP and RSO – Therapeutic Medical Physics and Diagnostic Medical Physics. It does not include the Nuclear Medical Physics, which you have listed in item 2 of your April 21<sup>st</sup> letter.

*Nuclear Medical Physics is listed on the referenced webpage in addition to Therapeutic Medical Physics and Diagnostic Medical Physics (see screen shot below).*

The screenshot shows the ABR website's navigation structure. At the top, there are tabs for Home, Public, Diagnostic Radiology, Interventional Radiology, Medical Physics, and Radiation Oncology. Below these are secondary tabs for OVERVIEW, INITIAL CERTIFICATION, MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION, CALENDAR, and VOLUNTEER. A search bar is located on the right. On the left, a sidebar menu lists various resources: Residency Leave Policy, NRC Compliance, Certification in Additional Disciplines, Part 1 Exam, Part 2 Exam, Part 3 (Oral) Exam, International Medical Graduates, Conditions and Reapplications, New Question Types: Parts 1 and 2, Professionalism and Ethics Content Guide, Calculators, Constants and Physical Values, and Certificate FAQs.

## AMP- and RSO-Eligible Designations Discontinued

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Please review the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) for additional information on this transition.

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## NRC Compliance

### NRC Recognized Status for Radiation Safety Officer and Authorized Medical Physicist

In June 2006, the United State Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) granted recognized status for specific certifications in medical physics. These include:

1. Diagnostic medical physics (DMP) and **nuclear medical physics (NMP)** under 10 CFR § - training for radiation safety officer (RSO), and
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Recognized status, with an effective date of June 2007 forward for the ABR Medical Physics certificates, signifies that the diplomate has met the NRC requirements for training and experience in those areas at the time of certification.

To maintain NRC-recognized status, which is in the best interest of diplomates in medical physics, it is the

It also does not include 4 of the specialty areas that we currently have listed as NRC-recognized on our website (<https://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/med-use-toolkit/spec-board-cert.html>). The NRC specialty board webpage, lists a total of four NRC-recognized ABR specialties for the RSO/ARSO (Diagnostic Radiologic Physics, Diagnostic Medical Physics,

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Please review and confirm the certificates that are still valid for the RSO/ARSO and AMP training. For any certificates that are no longer valid, provide the date that they stopped being issued.

*Diagnostic Medical Physics, Nuclear Medical Physics and Therapeutic Medical Physics are all listed (see screenshot below). We do not list Diagnostic Radiologic Physics, Medical Nuclear Physics and Therapeutic Radiologic Physics because time-limited certificates with these names were last issued in 2010 (expired 12/31/2020).*

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3. Item 5 of your letter states that your Diagnostic Medical Physics, Nuclear Medical Physics, and Therapeutic Medical Physics certificates are not current. When can we expect to get the updated certificates?

*We are working with our certificate vendor to get the needed sample certificates and will get those to you as soon as we possibly can.*

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**Subject:** RE: Re: AMERICAN BOARD OF RADIOLOGY, REVIEW OF SPECIALTY BOARD CONTINUED RECOGNITION BY THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Good Afternoon David,

Just following up with you on the status of the ABR's response to my request in my email sent last Monday. Your response this week would be highly appreciated.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need clarification.

Regards,

*Maryann*

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Good Morning Dr. Wagner,

1. Your letter dated April 21, 2022, does not include two of the four NRC-recognized ABR specialty area certifications for the Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) and Associate Radiation Safety Officer (ARSO) training – Diagnostic Radiological Physics and Medical Nuclear Physics. It also does not include one of the two NRC-recognized ABR specialty area certifications for the Authorized Medical Physicist (AMP) training – Therapeutic Radiologic Physics. A review of your website also does list or include these specialty areas.

Are these certificates no longer valid? If they are not valid, please indicate the date(s) that these certificates stopped being issued.

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Regards,

*Maryann*

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**Cc:** Ayoade, Maryann <[maryann.ayoade@nrc.gov](mailto:maryann.ayoade@nrc.gov)>; David Laszakovits <[davidl@theabr.org](mailto:davidl@theabr.org)>  
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Sent on behalf of Brent Wagner, MD, MBA –

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**Subject:** RE: RE: RESPONSE REQUESTED - ABR - Letter from U.S. NRC

Good Afternoon Dr. Wagner,

Sounds good. Thank you!

*Maryann*

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Maryann –

I apologize for the delay. Our response is nearly complete; we will have it finalized before the end of the week.

Best regards,

-Brent

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**Subject:** RESPONSE REQUESTED - ABR - Letter from U.S. NRC

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Good Afternoon David,

On March 15, 2022, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) shared a letter with your organization. The NRC was writing to request confirmation that the American Board of Radiology (ABR) continues to satisfy the NRC recognition criteria for specialty board

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certification processes. The NRC is reaching out to all its recognized specialty boards per the NMSS Procedure 70-3, "Procedures for Recognizing, Monitoring, and Terminating the Certification Process of Specialty Boards," Section 3.1, "Monitoring Continued Satisfaction of Recognition Requirements."

Your ABR letter dated April 6, 2022, notifying NRC of the ABR's plan to no longer maintain NRC recognition of its board certification processes, confirmed that the March 15<sup>th</sup> NRC letter was received and that a response to that letter was being drafted. Can you confirm when your organization plans on responding? Please note that the 30-day response window has passed.

Thank you for your attention on this.

Warm Regards,

*Maryann*

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**Cc:** David Laszakovits <davidl@theabr.org>; Valentin-Rodriguez, Celimar <Celimar.Valentin-Rodriguez@nrc.gov>; Einberg, Christian <Christian.Einberg@nrc.gov>; Fisher, Jennifer <Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Updated ABR Termination Letter

Good morning Dr. Wagner,

We have received your revised American Board of Radiology (ABR) letter dated April 6, 2022, informing the NRC of the ABR's intent to eliminate its processes for offering Authorized User – Eligibility, Authorized Medical Physicist – Eligible, and Radiation Safety Officer – Eligible designations on ABR certificates awarded after December 31, 2023; and delegating you with the responsibility and authority to act as the ABR designee for all official correspondence with the NRC, including this notification letter. Note that your request for termination of specialty board recognition with the NRC is now under review and we will be responding to you in a formal termination letter.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,

*Maryann*

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**Subject:** [External\_Sender] Updated Letter

Attached.

Thank you!

-Brent

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**Subject:** [External\_Sender] RE: RE: RE: Other Authorized User Eligible statuses

Maryann –

Thanks for the follow up – much appreciated.

-Brent

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Great. Thank you David!

I also wanted to let you and Dr. Wagner know that today was our NRC Advisory Committee for the Medical Uses of Isotopes (ACMUI) Annual Meeting, and the ABR's intent to terminate NRC recognition of all certification processes came up in a question to NRC, and it was a hot topic of discussion. We also received a lot of comments on this and the potential impacts on the

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medical community. This item was not a topic on the meeting agenda, but the meeting information (agenda, presentation slides, and meeting transcripts) can be found here: <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acmui/meetings/2022.html>. The transcripts are not yet available on the website. We will share the transcripts from the meeting with ABR once we receive it from our court reporter.

Regards,

*Maryann*

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Great! I'll have Dr. Wagner send that updated version as our official request.

Thanks again,  
David

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Hi David,

This answers and clarifies my question.

Thank you,

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**Subject:** RE: Other Authorized User Eligible statuses

Hi David,

No worries at all. Didn't see this email. I just sent an e-mail to follow up on my voicemail.

Thank you!

*Maryann*

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**To:** Ayoade, Maryann <maryann.ayoade@nrc.gov>  
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Hi, Maryann. Would you please review the attached letter to make sure it covers what you need? If so, I'll ask Dr. Wagner to send this to you as our official request.

Thank you,  
David

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**Subject:** Clarification of ABR's Intent to Terminate NRC Recognition of ABR certification processes -- RE: NRC Receipt of the ABR Termination Letter dated March 29, 2022 --- RE: ABR

Good Afternoon David,

I called earlier and left a voicemail.

In performing the review of your March 29<sup>th</sup> letter, I noticed that there is only a reference to the ABR's intent to terminate recognition of the ABR certificates for Authorized Users. My understanding of the ABR's intent for termination during our videoconference on March 17, 2022, was that the ABR plans to terminate recognition of all certification processes that we currently have listed on our website (<https://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/med-use-toolkit/spec-board-cert.html>), include those for the Authorized Medical Physicist (AMP) and the Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) / Associate Radiation Safety Officer (ARSO). The following are the ABR specialty areas certification processes that the NRC recognizes:

1. Diagnostic Radiologic Physics (10 CFR 35.50, "Training for Radiation Safety Officer and Associate Radiation Safety Officer")
2. Diagnostic Medical Physics (10 CFR 35.50, "Training for Radiation Safety Officer and Associate Radiation Safety Officer")
3. Medical Nuclear Physics (10 CFR 35.50, "Training for Radiation Safety Officer and Associate Radiation Safety Officer")
4. Nuclear Medical Physics (10 CFR 35.50, "Training for Radiation Safety Officer and Associate Radiation Safety Officer")
5. Therapeutic Radiologic Physics (10 CFR 35.51, "Training for an Authorized Medical Physicist")
6. Therapeutic Medical Physics (10 CFR 35.51, "Training for an Authorized Medical Physicist")
7. Diagnostic Radiology (10 CFR 35.290, "Training for Imaging and Localization Studies"; 10 CFR 35.392, "Training for Oral Administration of Sodium Iodide (I-131) Requiring a Written Directive in Quantities  $\leq$  33 millicuries"; and 10 CFR 35.394, "Training for Oral Administration of Sodium Iodide (I-131) Requiring a Written Directive in Quantities  $>$  33 millicuries")
8. Interventional Radiology / Diagnostic Radiology (10 CFR 35.290, "Training for Imaging and Localization Studies" and 10 CFR 35.394, "Training for Oral Administration of Sodium Iodide (I-131) Requiring a Written Directive in Quantities  $>$  33 millicuries")
9. Radiation Oncology (10 CFR 35.390, "Training for Use of Unsealed Byproduct Material for which a Written Directive is Required"; 10 CFR 35.490, "Training for Use of Manual

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Brachytherapy Sources”; and 10 CFR 35.690, “Training for Use of Remote Afterloader Units, Teletherapy Units, and Gamma Stereotactic Radiosurgery Units”)

Can you please clarify the ABR’s intent for termination and re-submit your formal letter of intent. Thank you.

Warm Regards,

*Maryann*

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Thank you,

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