ABPA TESTER AND SPECIALIST RECERTIFICATION OPTIONS DUE TO COVID 19 PANDEMIC

The following recertification OPTIONS are being offered by the ABPA Certification Programs due to the impacts of the on-going COVID-19 pandemic. The mitigation efforts put in place because of the pandemic have made it difficult for ABPA Testers and Specialists to consistently have adequate and reasonable opportunities to recertify. ABPA remains hopeful that we will soon be through these challenging times, however, we do believe we need to offer a bridge until the national vaccination effort is substantially complete.

ABPA will continue to hold Tester and Specialist exams where possible and encourage all individuals who need to recertify to sign up for available exams and follow the traditional recertification path. The available Tester and Specialist exams can be found at https://www.abpa.org/events/event_list.asp.

Option 1: Standard ABPA Re-Certification - Requires successful completion of a 100-question written exam and performance exam covering the field test procedure on all four (4) assemblies (i.e., RP, DC, PVB, SVB).

Successful completion of this exam process grants the standard three (3) year re-certification

For those Testers and Specialists who have COVID-19 related difficulties in either finding an exam or have other obstacles to attending a traditional exam at this time, ABPA is offering a temporary COVID ABPA Recertification option.

Option 2: Temporary COVID ABPA Re-certification – Requires that each individual view a scheduled ABPA webinar presenting the ABPA field test procedures of the four (4) assemblies (i.e., RP, DC, PVB, SVB). Group viewing will not be allowed. This webinar is monitored to assure continual attendance. During the webinar, the attendee will be required to answer all of the field test procedure and diagnostic questions to qualify for the Temporary COVID ABPA recertification.

This temporary COVID ABPA re-certification will extend your certification status for twelve (12) months from date of the original or extended expiration date.

If your expiration date is December 31, 2020 (including all the previously extended certifications from March 1 through December 30, 2020)

- Apply for the Temporary COVID ABPA Re-certification through the ABPA website by February 15, 2021.
  - Pay the $100.00 application fee
  - Register and pay** the $25.00 fee for a January or February broadcast of the webinar ABPA Field Test Procedures – Demo and Quiz
- Sign on and attend the entire webinar.
- Answer all the presented questions during the webinar. Note: Attendance will be monitored and responses recorded. The failure to answer all question(s) may be cause to deny the Temporary COVID ABPA Re-certification.

The Temporary COVID ABPA Re-certification will be extended to December 31, 2021.
If your expiration date is between **January 1 to February 28, 2021**
- Apply for the Temporary COVID ABPA Re-certification through the ABPA website by **February 28, 2021**.
  - Pay the $100.00 application fee
  - Register and pay** the $25.00 fee for a **January or February** broadcast of the webinar *ABPA Field Test Procedures – Demo and Quiz*
  - Sign on and attend the entire webinar.
  - Answer all the presented questions during the webinar. Note: Attendance will be monitored and responses recorded. The failure to answer all question(s) may be cause to deny the Temporary COVID ABPA Re-certification.

The Temporary COVID ABPA Re-certification will add one calendar year to your current expiration date. For example, if your current expiration date is January 28, 2021, the extended expiration date will be January 28, 2022.

If your expiration date is between **March 1 to December 31, 2021**
- Apply for the Temporary COVID ABPA Re-certification through the ABPA website by the end of your 2021 expiration month.
  - Pay the $100.00 application fee
  - Register and pay** the $25.00 on or before the end of your expiration month for the broadcast of the webinar *ABPA Field Test Procedures – Demo and Quiz*
  - Sign on and attend the entire webinar.
  - Answer all the presented questions during the webinar. Note: Attendance will be monitored and responses recorded. The failure to answer all question(s) may be cause to deny the Temporary COVID ABPA Re-certification.

The Temporary COVID ABPA Re-certification will add one calendar year to your current expiration date. For example, if your current expiration date is June 28, 2021, the extended expiration date will be June 28, 2022.

**Note:** For those individuals who have already attended the ABPA webinar ABPA Field Test Procedures in October or November 2020 – registration will be complimentary. You will need to email the ABPA office to facilitate the complimentary registration.