

ASAP Council on Certification in Adolescent Psychiatry

Policy and Procedures regarding Emeritus Diplomates

Introduction: At the time ABAP was founded (1992), the focus was on establishing the relevance of Board Certification in Adolescent Psychiatry, establishing standards for determining certification competency, developing and administering the necessary examinations, establishing criteria for maintenance of certification, and monitoring the recertification process. Little consideration had occurred at the time as to what would happen regarding Diplomates who retired from active employment or clinical practice, however. At the present time there are many retiring Diplomates and therefore a policy and set of procedures is needed.

Policy: Any actively certified ABAP Diplomate who has retired from clinical practice and/or employment in a clinical/supervisory/administrative role may be considered for Emeritus Status. If a Diplomate's certification has expired yet they are still within the 6-month grace period for recertifying, they are still considered actively certified.

Procedures:

1. At the time of recertification notification, actively certified Diplomates will be informed of the Emeritus Status option in lieu of recertification.
2. The Diplomate will complete and submit an attestation that they are no longer employed or earning income from clinical/supervisory services either as employee, clinician, or contractor
3. There will be an annual fee of \$50 assessed for maintenance of and annual attestation of emeritus status. The fee may be changed, eliminated, or reinstated for this class of Diplomates by action of the Board.
4. The annual fee will be waived for those who are active members of ASAP at the time the fee would normally be assessed

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