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Attn: Mr. Kevin Williams, Director
Division of Materials Safety, Security, State, and Tribal Programs
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-001

Dear Mr. Williams,

The American Board of Nuclear Medicine (ABNM) received a letter from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) dated March 15, 2022 requesting confirmation that the ABNM continues to satisfy the NRC recognition criteria for specialty board certification processes. The ABNM responded by letter dated April 14, 2022 (*Attachment 1*).

The ABNM requires all physicians seeking initial certification to have the training and experience required by the NRC to be an Authorized User for 10 CFR 35.190, 10 CFR 35.290, and 10 CFR 35.390. All the commitments and assurances made in the ABNM letter dated October 20, 2005 necessary to receive NRC recognition as a specialty board have been ABNM policy without interruption since the letter was written (*Attachment 2*).

This letter is written to provide additional information pursuant to a phone call on April 21, 2022 with Maryann Ayoade, NRC Medical/Health Physicist, and email messages sent on April 20, 21, 25, 26, 28 and May 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 20, 23. All letters and email correspondence may be added to the NRC public ADAMS library.

The ABNM will make changes to its website to ensure that requirements for initial certification for all physicians seeking certification are clearly stated and consistent with NRC training and experience requirements to be an authorized user for 10 CFR 35.190, 10 CFR 35.290, and 10 CFR 35.390. The information will be presented in one section at the top of the web page, followed by sections describing additional ABNM requirements for certification (*Attachment 3*).

The ABNM has retired the two certificates currently shown on the NRC website at <https://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/med-use-toolkit/spec-board-cert.html>. These two certificates as well as two later certificates are attached (*Attachments 4-7*). The file name of each certificate indicates the issue dates. The ABNM did not realize that adding a logo to the certificate required notifying the NRC. The ABNM will notify the NRC of any future changes to the certificate other than signatures.

The changes to the ABNM website will be published as soon as the NRC is satisfied that the ABNM's certification program continues to meet the applicable criteria for recognition of board certification.

Sincerely,



George M. Segall, MD
Executive Director, ABNM

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Attachments:

1. ABNM response letter, April 14, 2022
2. ABNM letter for NRC recognition, October 20, 2005
3. ABNM requirements for certification
4. ABNM Certificate Oct 28, 2005 to Oct 11, 2007
5. ABNM Certificate Oct 12, 2007 to Oct 6, 2011
6. ABNM Certificate Oct 7, 2011 to Oct 4, 2012
7. ABNM Certificate Oct 5, 2012 to present