

NEW RECERTIFICATION PROCESS

-Transition to new process happens after next recertification/registration

-Shifting to Calendar Year

- Maintenance of Certification

MOC = \$250/year

-Recertification every 4 years: 200 CE Credits or Take written exam.

-New Certificate will be legal letter size. (Check out the photo below for an example of Certificate Display)



Change locations or get a new email address? Contact us at nebo@neboboard.org to keep your information up to date!



CERTIFICATION EXAM

WINDOW: OCTOBER 1-31, 2021

Exam will be taken at a local Scantron testing site.

APPLICATIONS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE

WWW.NEBOBOARD.ORG

UNDER "NEW CERTIFICATION"

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE

AUGUST 1, 2021

The fabrication portion of the annual Board Certification exam must be completed PRIOR to the scheduled annual written exam. Upon verification and approval of a candidate's exam application, candidates will be contacted by the Fabrication Chair to schedule and begin their proctored fabrication exam. All fabrication exams must be completed by October 1, 2021

Please see website for more information.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW BCOs!

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family healthy and well. It is hard to believe that we have come full circle from when the COVID-19 pandemic started in the U.S. a year ago. This has been a difficult and heavy year for all of us. In this year, NEBO was able to make many internal changes that will promote efficiency and transparency for those seeking and maintaining the title of Board Certified Ocularist.

The NEBO certification test is now administered remotely due to the inability to travel freely for most individuals. Candidates no longer will have to take the test at the annual AAO conference city. This change will better accommodate those candidates that are eligible to take the certification exam.

Even though the exam was a challenge to administer to eligible candidates during the pandemic, NEBO felt it was important to make sure the test was offered to those individuals that have studied and worked so hard to get to this stage in their profession.

We continue to set policies that are fair and defensible for all members. In this last year some of the first Board Certified Ocularists have transitioned to our "Maintenance of Certification" platform. This new scheme will help clarify some of the ambiguity that existed in the past by following a calendar year format. Member's certificate will be valid from January to December in that calendar year. It will also serve as a stepping stone to moving closer to regaining accreditation. The process of obtaining accreditation is multifaceted and it has forced the board to analyze all rules and policies of the past as well as the future.

NEBO was also able to audit and award credits to the very first virtual conference offered in the field of ophthalmology. Awarding credits for this event allowed individuals the ability to safely continue their education and gain the necessary credits for recertification.

I am very proud of the hard work, dedication and time this board has put forth to strengthen the very core of our certification. The NEBO website (www.nebboard.org) is a great source of information and I encourage everyone to check out the new updates. I look forward to guiding the NEBO board in 2021 and hope you all can continue to stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Strauss".

Michael Strauss, BCO, BADO, CSS, NEBO Chairman