

Medical Physics Certification in the US and Canada

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Boards Certifying Physicists in the US

- The American Board of Radiology:
 - Therapeutic Medical Physics
 - Diagnostic Medical Physics
 - Nuclear Medical Physics
- American Board of Medical Physics (ABR issues letters of equivalence for earlier diplomates):
 - Medical Health Physics
 - MRI Physics
- American Board of Science in Nuclear Medicine (not the same as American Board of Nuclear Medicine):
 - Nuclear Medicine Physics and Instrumentation
- American Board of Health Physics:
 - Health Physics

American Board of Medical Specialties

ABR is a member

American Board of Allergy and Immunology
 American Board of Anesthesiology
 American Board of Colon and Rectal Surgery
 American Board of Dermatology
 American Board of Emergency Medicine
 American Board of Family Medicine
 American Board of Internal Medicine
 American Board of Medical Genetics and Genomics
 American Board of Neurological Surgery
 American Board of Nuclear Medicine
 American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology
 American Board of Ophthalmology

American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery
 American Board of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery
 American Board of Pathology
 American Board of Pediatrics
 American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
 American Board of Plastic Surgery
 American Board of Preventive Medicine
 American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology
 American Board of Radiology
 American Board of Surgery
 American Board of Thoracic Surgery
 American Board of Urology

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 Canadian Organization of Medical Physicists Organisation canadienne des physiciens médicaux

CANADIAN COLLEGE OF PHYSICISTS IN MEDICINE  **LE COLLÈGE CANADIEN DES PHYSIENS EN MÉDECINE**

Two-level certification:

- Members
- Fellows

Bridging Program for Foreign Physicists

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Subspecialties:

- Radiation Oncology Physics
- Diagnostic Radiological Physics
- Nuclear Medicine Physics
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging

The American Board of Radiology (ABR)

- The most popular Medical Physics certification Board in the US
- Certifies Physicists and Physicians (Diagnostic Radiology, Radiation Therapy and Nuclear Medicine)
- Rules listed on the website www.theabr.org.
- Performs initial certification and MOC (maintenance off certification)

ABR Certification Eligibility

- Advanced degree in Medical Physics (MS, PhD) or CAMPEP (Commission of Accreditation of Medical Physics Educational Programs) Alternate Pathway
- CAMPEP-accredited program:
 - graduate program,
 - doctorate in medical physics (DMP) program,
 - certificate program, or
 - medical physics residency
- 3 Board Exams (two written and one oral)
- Maintenance of Certification

Further Information

- www.theabr.org
- www.campep.org
- abmpexam.com
- www.abnm.org
- www.absnm.org
- www.ccpm.ca
- www.comp-ocpm.ca
