ACP Supportive of ABIM Plans to Develop Longitudinal Assessment Option for Continuing Certification

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Philadelphia, August 28, 2019 – The American College of Physicians (ACP) is pleased that the American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM) is taking initial steps to develop a continuing certification option that will support lifelong learning by emphasizing education, feedback and the convenience of being self-paced.

ABIM’s recently announced plans to develop a longitudinal assessment as an option in addition to their point-in-time examinations align with recommendations put forth by the American Board of Medical Specialties’ Continuing Board Certification: Vision for the Future Commission and with ACP’s comments submitted to the Commission.

ACP is committed to ongoing professional development and lifelong learning and to representing our members’ needs for continuing certification programs consistent with our professional accountability principles. We look forward to supporting ABIM in developing options that emphasize learning, offer flexibility and choice, and that meet the needs of internal medicine specialists and subspecialists as well as the patients they serve.

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