

Issue brief: Maintenance of Certification laws

AMA policy

H-275.924, AMA Principles on Maintenance of Certification (excerpt)

15. The MOC program should not be a mandated requirement for licensure, credentialing, recredentialing, privileging, reimbursement, network participation, employment, or insurance panel participation.

Maintenance of Certification and Osteopathic Continuous Certification D-275.954

34. Through legislative, regulatory, or collaborative efforts, will work with interested state medical societies and other interested parties by creating model state legislation¹ and model medical staff bylaws while advocating that Maintenance of Certification not be a requirement for: (a) medical staff membership, privileging, credentialing, or recredentialing; (b) insurance panel participation; or (c) state medical licensure.

Key: P = Proposed; X = Signed into law

State	Licensing boards	Insurers	Hospitals	Liability insurers	Notes
Alabama					
Alaska	P	P	P		
Arizona					
Arkansas	P	P	P		
California			P		
Colorado					
Connecticut					
Delaware					
Florida	P	P	P		
Georgia (2017)	X	X*	X*	X*	OCGA 43-34-46
Hawaii					
Idaho					
Illinois					
Indiana					
Iowa					
Kansas					
Kentucky (2016)	X				KRS 311.566
Louisiana					
Maine (2017)	X	P	P		32 MRSA 2851 and 3271
Maryland (2017)	X				ACM 14-322
Massachusetts	P	P	P		
Michigan					
Minnesota					

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State	Licensing boards	Insurers	Hospitals	Liability insurers	Notes
Mississippi					
Missouri (2016)	X				RSMo 334.285
Montana					
Nebraska					
Nevada					
New Hampshire					
New Jersey	P	P	P		
New Mexico					
New York					
North Carolina					
North Dakota					
Ohio	P	P	P		
Oklahoma (2016)	X	X*	X*		59 OS 2011 Section 492
Oregon	P				
Pennsylvania					
Rhode Island	P				
South Carolina	P	P	P		
South Dakota					
Tennessee (2017)	X	X	X		TCA 33-2-4; TCA 63-6-2; TCA 63-9; TCA 68-11-2; TCA 56-7-10
Texas (2017)	X	X	X		Law exempts certain health care facilities and defers in some instances to the judgment of the hospital medical staff. Insurance Code F(8) Chapter 1461; Occupations Code B 151.0515, 155.003, and 156.001
Utah					
Vermont					
Virginia					
Washington					
West Virginia					
Wyoming					
TOTAL	8	4	4	1	

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*Legislation incorporated in medical practice act; may not apply to insurers and hospitals.