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I always tell my residents that AOA Board Certification is the way to go.  
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Tyree Winters, DO  
AOA Board Certified

# AOA Board Certification is the preferred choice for DOs

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For more than **80 years**, the **American Osteopathic Association (AOA)** has advanced the distinctive philosophy and practice of osteopathic medicine through Board Certification. Developed by DOs for DOs, it exemplifies clinical excellence coupled with whole person, patient-centered care. AOA Board Certification puts physicians on the track to lifelong learning and success.



### Nationally recognized

Board Certification from AOA is accepted by employers and insurers across the country



### Competitive career advantage

Indicator of clinical excellence



### Affordable process

Cost competitive with other board exams



### Convenient exam options

Remote proctoring for oral and written exams



### Flexible scheduling

Includes early entry for some specialties



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## More than **80 Years** of Excellence



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## Need to Know

Apply to sit for your AOBA certification exam. Applications open 6 months prior to the exam administration date.

### 2023 exam dates:

#### Initial Written Exam

August 2: \$500

#### Oral Exam

October 14: \$1,000

#### Spring Clinical Exam

April – September: \$2,000

#### Winter Clinical Exam

October 2023 – March 2024: \$2,000

**All exams are offered remotely with no travel required!**

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# Become AOA Board Certified in Anesthesiology

We've enhanced access to AOA Board Certification in Anesthesiology and tailored the process to your needs. Here's what you need to know to obtain AOA Board Certification in Anesthesiology.

## Initial Certification Exams

Initial certification in Anesthesiology is made up of three parts, a written exam followed by an oral exam, and concluding with the clinical exam.

### Written Exam

- Eligibility begins after completion of the second year of an ACGME-accredited residency program.
- Exam offered annually every August.

### Oral Exam

- Eligibility begins after completion of the third year of an ACGME-accredited residency program and passing the written exam.
- Exam offered once annually.

### Clinical Exam

- Recent residency graduates and fourth-year residents are eligible after successfully passing the written and oral exams.
- Exam offered twice annually.

## Becoming AOA Board Certified

After becoming AOA Board Certified you will:

- Receive your printed official board certificate in the mail.
- Gain access to an official, portable and easily verifiable electronic version of your certification.

## Maintain Your Certification through Osteopathic Continuous Certification (OCC)

OCC provides opportunities for continuous professional development centered on patient care, practice enhancement and lifelong learning.

The four components of OCC are:

- Component 1: Maintain active licensure.
- Component 2: Meet continuing medical education requirements.
- Component 3: Participate in the annual longitudinal assessment.
- Component 4: Complete a practice performance attestation.

## Subspecialty Certification

Once you have obtained your primary Anesthesiology certification, have completed a fellowship, and been in practice for at least one year, you may be eligible for subspecialty certification in:

Critical Care Medicine | Pain Management | Pediatric Anesthesiology

**Obtaining an AOBA subspecialty certification is a one-step examination process – written exam only!**



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