We are checking in with two important updates concerning upcoming ABD exam administrations.

1. **Online Practice Exam (previously known as the CORE Practice Exam)**

To better distinguish our traditional certification path (for current 2nd and 3rd year Dermatology residents) from our new Exam of the Future certification path (for current 1st year Dermatology residents), we decided to re-name the CORE Practice Exam to the Online Practice Exam. As previously communicated, this exam is:

- Offered to help senior residents prepare for the traditional Certification Exam in 2018 and 2019, in place of the In-Training Exam.
- Administered via Remote Proctoring, allowing residents to take the exam from a private home or office location.
- Similar in length and content to the ITE.
- Functionally the same as the ITE, for purposes of evaluating resident progress.

In **2018**, the Online Practice Exam will be administered (for 2nd and 3rd year Dermatology residents) on **Thursday, March 8**.

In **2019**, the Online Practice Exam will be administered (for 3rd year Dermatology residents) on **Thursday, March 14**.

We will share additional information about this exam, including when and how to register, by the end of this year.

2. **2019 BASIC and CORE Exam Dates**

For your planning purposes, we would like to provide you with the dates for our 2019 exam administrations for residents on the Exam of the Future certification path.

In **2019** we will offer:

The **BASIC** Exam (for first year Derm residents) on **Thursday, April 11, 2019**.

The **CORE** Exam:

- March (**Thursday, March 28, 2019**): second year Derm residents
- July (**Thursday, July 25, 2019**): third year Derm residents
- November (**Thursday, November 14, 2019**): third year Derm residents

As previously announced, the **2018 BASIC** Exam will be administered on **Thursday, April 12**.

This information is all posted on our 2018-2019 Exam Administration page on ABDerm.org.

Do not hesitate to contact us with any questions by phone (617.910.6400) or email.

Sincerely,

American Board of Dermatology Staff