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Osteopathic Continuous Certification (OCC)

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What is OCC?

- A process that ensures osteopathic physicians are current in their specialty
- Includes a method or methods of evaluating physician knowledge or skills applied to practice



OCC Components

Component 1: Unrestricted licensure

-Already required

Component 2: Lifelong Learning

-Already required



OCC Components - continued

Component 3: Cognitive Assessment
-Already required



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OCC Components - continued

Component 4: Practice Performance

This is the **only** new requirement

Component 5: Continuous AOA
Membership

-Already required



Effective Lifelong Learning



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Reflective Self Assessment

- What improvements can I make?
- Physicians may participate in an ongoing process of reflective self-evaluation, self-assessment and practice assessment, with subsequent successful completion of tailored educational or improvement activities.



Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

- ❑ What do I need to know?
- ❑ Physicians must demonstrate the knowledge, skills and abilities necessary to improve safe, effective patient care within the framework of the seven general competencies as they apply to their individual practice.



Performance in Practice

- How am I doing?
- Physicians must demonstrate accountability for performance in their practice using a variety of methods that incorporate reference data to assess their performance in practice and guide improvement.



Practice Performance Assessment

Demonstrate performance improvement in knowledge and skills

Compare scores to national benchmarks and standards of care based on evidence

Examples:

- Testing modules on specialty clinical knowledge, skills, procedures
- Skills testing lab



Performance Improvement Models

Measurement of practice performance compared to national standards

- CAP program
- Chart Evaluation (pre evaluation/post evaluation)
- Not Quality Assurance Models – aggregate data not sufficient



THANK YOU



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