



ABAP Certification Educational Requirements

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The American Board of Adolescent Psychiatry is interested in standardizing the educational requirements for sitting for its certification examination to bring the requirements in line with similar specialty boards. The Board is also interested in making it possible for more otherwise qualified candidates to become certified through liberalizing the current CME requirement from the current one year to three years while also creating incentives for candidates to take a relevant review course.

Should there be interested candidates who have completed a Fellowship in Adolescent & Young Adult/TAY Psychiatry, their applications will be considered on a case by case basis by the Board to determine which, if any, aspects of the fellowship (unless ACGME accredited) might substitute for the CME requirements listed below.

Phase in Schedule:

a. Exam years 2020 and 2021:

Option A: 25 hours of Category I CME over 2 years prior to examination

Option B: 18 hours of Category I CME, of which at least 12 hours must be an approved Review Course in Adolescent/Young Adult Psychiatry if accessible during the 2 years prior to examination

b. Exam year 2022:

Option A: 30 hours of Category I CME over 3 years prior to examination

Option B: At least 12-hours approved review course in Adolescent/Young Adult Psychiatry if accessible + 12 additional relevant Category I CME credits within 2 years prior to examination

c. Exam year 2023+

Option A: 36 hours of Category I CME over 3 years prior to examination

Option B: At least 12 hours must be approved review course in Adolescent/Young Adult Psychiatry if accessible plus 18 hours of additional Category I CME credits within 3 years prior to examination