

The Senior Option

For those applicants who have 15 years of relevant postdoctoral experience in the ABOBCP specialty area or in related competencies, certain procedural options are available if the applicant wishes to use them. *Senior* applicants often bring more specific, in depth, focused practice to the examination. As a result, more flexibility is needed for a review of practice samples of seniors, often including publications and special projects. For applicants qualifying for the senior option:

1. The applicant need only provide evidence in 2 Practice Areas rather than 3. *That is, the applicant must provide evidence such as academic coursework or equivalent continuing education, or retraining, and post-doctoral supervised experience, in 2 selected areas of practice.*
2. The practice sample need only cover 2 rather than 3 practice areas.
3. A wider range of practice samples will be acceptable. These may include a portfolio of publications, research grants, award presentations, advanced training activity, and others. The sample or samples must clearly demonstrate advanced competence as a practitioner and be approved by the ABOBCP Practice Sample Coordinator.