Renewal of Certification Process (ROC-P)

The American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (ABPD) values a Diplomate’s desire to practice pediatric dentistry at the highest level and their commitment to constantly reevaluate their practices in light of the most recent scientific evidence. To achieve the lifelong learning goal, ABPD developed the Renewal of Certification Process, a continuous, rolling process documenting achievement in four critical areas of pediatric dentistry.

ROC-P is for Time-Limited, Unlimited-P, and Life-P Diplomates. Time-Limited Diplomates have these requirements, but Unlimited-P and Life-P Diplomates participate on a voluntary basis. Diplomates are able to log on to their Dashboard at any time to see their progress. ROC-P annual cycle is December 1 through November 30, and all requirements are due by November 30 annually.

ROC-P Consists of Four Requirements

Active Status
A Diplomate who completes each requirement of the ROC-P by the deadline and remains in good standing with the ABPD will be considered Active.

Inactive Status
A Diplomate who fails to complete any requirement of the Annual Diplomate Renewal by the stated deadline of November 30th will be placed on Inactive status. Inactive Diplomates will have their names removed from the roster on the ABPD website and shall not declare to the public that they are Diplomates of ABPD. Time-limited and Unlimited Diplomates whose certification is on Inactive Status can resume Active status by:

1. Successfully completing the online Revalidation Examination. A fee of $500 will be assessed for this exam.
2. Completing the Renewal of Certification (ROC) Examination if due during the period of inactivation.

Forfeiture
A Diplomate will forfeit certification and must reinstate their certification if they remain inactive for five (5) or more years.

Reinstatement
Time-limited and Unlimited Diplomates who have forfeited ABPD certification and wish to become certified again may be reinstated by successful completion of the Oral Clinical Examination. A fee of $2,000 will be assessed for the Oral Clinical Examination. Until the individual successfully completes the Oral Clinical Examination, the individual is considered a re-applicant. The individual is not considered a candidate and will not receive verifications regarding their board status. Successful completion of the Oral Clinical Examination will qualify the individual seeking reinstatement as a Time-limited or Unlimited Diplomate.