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The Certification Board of Nuclear Cardiology™ (CBNC™) has been Re-recognized by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) as a Preferred Pathway for Authorized User Status

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(Rockville, MD, July 28, 2017) The Alliance for Physician Certification & Advancement (APCA) announced today that the Certification Board of Nuclear Cardiology™ (CBNC™) has been granted re-recognition by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) as a medical specialty board whose Diplomates can obtain Authorized User status as defined by the NRC under Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 35.200 under the preferred certification pathway. With NRC's recognition of CBNC's examination program, CBNC is also recognized by the 38 Agreement States. The re-application to the NRC was necessitated when the CBNC certification program united with APCA in 2016. Fundamental to the NRC approval was confirmation that the CBNC certification program continues to be directed, managed and administered by CBNC Diplomates.

"The re-recognition of the CBNC program by the NRC reaffirms the vital role the CBNC certification plays in the practice of nuclear cardiology and the Authorized User status process," said Thomas Holly, MD, Chair of the CBNC. "Furthermore, the CBNC certification documents the personal achievement and demonstrates a commitment to quality by the physicians who hold the certification and those who plan to seek it."

The CBNC certification was the first program to earn recognition by the NRC following publication of the proposed final rule for 10 CFR 35 in 2002. This document defined the pathways to satisfy requirements to become an Authorized User and the prerequisites for medical specialty boards to apply for recognition of their certification processes. The CBNC certification process was re recognized in 2005 when the rule became final. Over the past 15 years, over 8,600 physicians in the United States have earned the CBNC certification and have been eligible to seek the NRC Authorized User status through the certification pathway.

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The Alliance for Physician Certification & Advancement™ (APCA™) administers examinations and awards certifications in the areas of physician vascular interpretation (RPVI and RPVI-China), musculoskeletal sonography (RMSK), and cardiovascular imaging (CBNC and CBCCT). The RPVI and RMSK certifications are accredited by ANSI-ISO 17024. APCA also awards certificates in point-of-care ultrasound and through the Latin American Ultrasound Certification Program with specialties in abdominal and obstetrics and gynecological sonography. APCA has nearly 20,000 certified physicians throughout the world and is part of the non-profit Inteleos™ family of certification organizations.