



**AMERICAN BOARD**  
of OBESITY MEDICINE

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## **American Board of Obesity Medicine (ABOM) Item Writing Committee**

The American Board of Obesity Medicine (ABOM) serves the public and the field of obesity medicine by maintaining standards for assessment and credentialing physicians. Certification as an ABOM Diplomate signifies specialized knowledge in the practice of obesity medicine and distinguishes a physician as having achieved competency in obesity care.

### **Duties:**

Item Writing Committee members will write new items for the ABOM item bank of examination questions. Item Writing Committee members will be required to sign the ABOM Written Examination Confidentiality Policy. The policy states: To maintain absolute confidentiality and separation between the examination writers and all preparatory or review courses for this examination, ABOM committee members are not allowed to teach, lecture, provide seminars, assist, make comment or in any way participate in such courses while serving on the Item Writing Committee.

### **Meetings:**

Item Writing Committee members will be provided with annual item writing training either virtually in a web-based format or at in-person meetings. In addition, Item Writing Committee members will be invited to attend item review meetings. All travel expenses are reimbursed by the ABOM and a per-meeting stipend is provided whether the meeting is held in-person or virtually. The typical yearly schedule for Item Writing Committee meetings is:

- A multi-day Item Writing Summit (Fall)
- A multi-day item editing workshop (Winter)
- A multi-day form review meeting (Spring)

### **Benefits:**

- Item Writing Committee Members will be listed on the ABOM website.
- Will be trained in item writing.
- Will have the opportunity to work in close collaboration with the ABOM Board of Directors in examination development.
- Will receive complimentary enrollment in the ABOM Journal Article Review Recertification Program during their tenure on the Item Writing Committee.

### **Application:**

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_



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State, province or jurisdiction of active medical license \_\_\_\_\_

Medical specialty \_\_\_\_\_

Location of residency program \_\_\_\_\_

ABMS member board or osteopathic equivalent \_\_\_\_\_

Please briefly describe your current practice type/setting, population served, and how long you have practiced obesity medicine:

Please briefly describe why you would like to serve on the American Board of Obesity Medicine (ABOM) Item Writing Committee:

Please briefly describe how you have and will maintain the following qualifications for service:  
High-quality professional competence in clinical care and/or research, including, but not limited to, treating patients with a high-level standard of care by implementing legitimate medical practices, practicing evidence-based medicine based upon sound scientific principles, and exhibiting a high level of excellence and professionalism:

**How to Apply:**

Please submit your application to Dana Brittan, ABOM Executive Director, at [brittan@abom.org](mailto:brittan@abom.org).