

# Message From the Associate Executive Director

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It is now just over a year since I re-joined ABNM as AED. I continue to be impressed with the vibrant activities of the Board members, particularly regarding the ABNM primary mission of providing trainees and practitioners with examination opportunities to demonstrate cognitive mastery of NMMI, and to assist with maintaining and updating knowledge related to progress in our field. We are particularly enthusiastic about the CertLink resources, supporting both our practicing diplomates as well as the CertLink IT resource available to trainees preparing for initial certification by ABNM. Beginning with the 2023 CertLink delivery, the program will now re-display the question, images and response choices on the review page after diplomate response. This improvement is in response to a frequent comment offered by diplomates and will serve to enhance diplomate overall assessment of the key point targeted by the question.

As previously, ABNM continues regular review of all diplomate comments offered in CertLink assessments. Comments are appreciated as they are valuable guides to further enhancement and improvement in the exam experience. Additionally, diplomate comments serve to alert ABNM to possibilities of question items that may not perform as intended and may require revision in scoring prior to final assessment of diplomate performance. As before, CertLink continues as a work-in-progress, but is already an important and useful reference and guide to the current practice of NMMI.



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