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## Message from MOC Committee Chair MOC Exam Enhancement

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In an ongoing effort to improve the value of MOC to our diplomates, the ABNM is planning to enhance the MOC exam in future years. We have identified a number of key articles which contain important concepts for the practice of Nuclear Medicine. These include recent topical reviews of established procedures as well as manuscripts describing recently-adopted clinical procedures. The Board will use these articles as the basis for questions on the certifying and MOC exams. The target will be to have approximately 30% of the MOC questions derived from these articles. The Board will make the reading list available on the website, and will attempt to emphasize references that are publically available, without cost for access.

The list of articles will provide a resource for both diplomates and residents. It will identify core content which the Board believes is important for practicing clinicians. It can be used as a study guide to supplement textbooks and other resources. Knowing that a significant component of MOC examination content will be taken from concepts described in these articles could reduce some of the anxiety we all feel about taking secure exams.

### E-mail Reminders about Gaps in MOC Requirements

The ABNM will commence sending e-mail reminders to our diplomates about gaps in MOC requirements. If you are more than one year behind or if your next scheduled exam is less than 2 years away, we will send reminders every two months. You may take the MOC exam up to 2 years early without affecting the date of the next scheduled exam. If you are caught up and your exam is in more than 2 years, you will only receive an annual reminder. If you do not wish to receive the reminders every two months, you can opt out of frequent reminders on the ABNM website. We will still provide you with an annual notification.