The Clinical Informatics examination is a one-day, multiple-choice examination administered at Pearson VUE Professional Centers throughout the United States and several International sites. The online application will be available each year from approximately March 1 through June 1 on the ABPM website at www.theabpm.org. The following are the admission requirements for certification in the subspecialty of Clinical Informatics:

ABMS Member Board Certification: Current certification by at least one of the Member Boards of ABMS is required. A complete list of ABMS member boards is available on the ABMS website at http://www.certificationmatters.org/abms-member-boards.aspx. Those physicians board-certified by the American Board of Pathology (ABPath) must apply through ABPath (www.abpath.org). All other physicians who meet the eligibility requirements must apply through the ABPM.

AND

Medical School: Graduation is required from a medical school in the United States which at the time of the applicant’s graduation was accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education; a school of osteopathic medicine approved by the American Osteopathic Association; an accredited medical school in Canada; or a medical school located outside the United States and Canada that is deemed satisfactory to the Board.

AND

Current License(s): Unrestricted and currently valid license(s) to practice medicine in a State, the District of Columbia, a Territory, Commonwealth, or possession of the United States, or in a Province of Canada is required. No license may be restricted, revoked, or suspended or currently under such notice.

AND

Completion of one of the pathways described below will be acceptable through 2022. Beginning in 2023, all applicants for certification in Clinical Informatics will have to complete successfully a minimum of 24 months in an ACGME-accredited Clinical Informatics fellowship program.

PRACTICE PATHWAY:

- Three years of practice in Clinical Informatics is required. Practice time must be at least 25% of a Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) to be considered. Practice time need not be continuous, however, all practice time must have occurred in the five-year interval immediately preceding application for certification.
- Practice must consist of broad-based professional activity with significant Clinical Informatics responsibility that may include research and teaching activities.
- Verification is required that the equivalent of at least three years of an individual’s professional time has been devoted to the practice of clinical informatics during the five years prior to application for the examination. A person or persons who are knowledgeable about the applicant’s practice, such as the chief of staff, the applicable department chair, the director of a related Clinical Informatics training program, or the director of the clinical informatics program in the related institution must complete the verification. Completion of the verification by a partner or practice associate is not acceptable. The verification form will be available at the time of application.

For those who completed non-accredited fellowship training of less than 24 months, the fellowship training curriculum as well as a description of the actual training must also be submitted. The applicant must submit evidence of additional practice to satisfy any additional Practice Pathway requirements.

OR

FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PATHWAY:

Fellowship programs must be accredited by the ACGME, be a minimum of 24 months in duration, and be acceptable to the ABPM.