

APPENDIX III

Stage II Checklist

The following items are from the Stage I application and do not need to be reviewed if approved previously:

- Definition of the Specialty Area: (From approved Stage I of the application)
 - Documentation that the area is unique and does not critically overlap the scope of practice of another specialty area from the perspective of the consumer.
 - Documentation that the area of specialization is readily distinguishable for other areas of specialization by consumers and practitioners.
- Definition of the population of consumers: (From approved Stage I of the Application).
 - Documentation that the area represents a definable population of consumers whose needs require a distinct body of knowledge, skills, and experience.
 - Documentation of demographics of consumers.
 - Documentation of support of consumers/groups.
- Description of how consumers will benefit from specialty recognition. (From approved Stage I of the Application).
- Documentation that the Petitioning Group is composed of practitioners who provide services in the area:
 - Identification and definition of the Petitioning Group

Stage II review should include the following:

- The area of specialization represents a distinct and definable body of knowledge and skills, grounded in basic and applied research, as well as in principles derived from professional practice.
- The area of specialization is one in which individual practitioners currently practice and/or are required for delivery of services to consumers.
- The area of specialization has mechanisms for acquisition and evaluation of the required post-CCC knowledge, skills, and experience.