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Certification Board of  
Nuclear Cardiology  
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SUBJECT: CERTIFICATION BOARD OF NUCLEAR CARDIOLOGY, COMPLETION OF  
THE REVIEW FOR CONTINUED RECOGNITION BY THE U.S. NUCLEAR  
REGULATORY COMMISSION

Dear Kathy Kelly:

Thank you for responding to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) letter dated March 15, 2022 (Agencywide Documents Access Management System (ADAMS)<sup>1</sup> Accession No. ML22068A015), which requested confirmation that the Certification Board of Nuclear Cardiology, Part of the Alliance for Physician Certification and Advancement™ Medical Specialty Boards and Certification Programs (CBNC) continues to satisfy the NRC recognition criteria for specialty board certification processes in Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 35<sup>2</sup>, "Medical Use of Byproduct Material." The NRC staff reviewed your response letter dated April 6, 2022 (ML22101A069).

The NRC staff performed a review of each NRC-recognized specialty board per the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) Office Procedure MSST-70-3, "Procedures for Recognizing, Monitoring, and Terminating the Certification Process of Specialty Boards," Section 3.11, "Monitoring Continued Satisfaction of Recognition Requirements (ML20351A389)." As part of the review, the NRC staff evaluated the CBNC's publicly available website at <https://www.apca.org/certifications-examinations/cbnc-and-cbcct/cbnc/>, as well as any provided documentation for changes that could affect the recognition of the board's certification process. Based on your response letter and the NRC's subsequent review, the NRC staff determined that the Nuclear Cardiology specialty area continues to satisfy the board recognition criteria in 10 CFR 35.290, "Training for imaging and localization studies."

In addition, thank you for providing the new Nuclear Cardiology certificate, effective on January 1, 2022. The NRC staff added the certificate to the NRC public website titled "Specialty Board(s) Certification Recognized by NRC Under 10 CFR Part 35," available at <https://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/med-use-toolkit/spec-board-cert.html>. The NRC public website is used by NRC license reviewers, as well as license reviewers in Agreement States, to verify that the certificates submitted by licensees are valid. Please ensure that CBNC shares

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<sup>1</sup> Records are available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or in the NRC's ADAMS, accessible from the NRC website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

<sup>2</sup> The 10 CFR Part 35 index is available for review at:  
<https://www.govinfo.gov/app/collection/cfr/2021/title10/chapterI/part35>.

any future changes to certificates with the NRC with the date that the revised certificates became or will become effective.

In 2019, the NRC revised its medical use regulations, including training and experience requirements. A history of the rulemaking, pertinent guidance document references, and a summary of major changes are available in a 2018 presentation titled "Final Rule – Medical Use Regulations in 10 CFR 30, 32, and 35 (ML19085A550)."<sup>3</sup> The NRC staff determined that CBNC is in compliance, but we encourage you to review these changes if you have not done so already.

This letter further confirms that as the Chief Assessment Officer of the CBNC, you are the designee for all official correspondence with the NRC. If this changes in the future, please contact the NRC with the individual responsible for this role.

Please notify the NRC, via letter, if the board changes the board's name, certification processes, or certification documents because these changes could affect the recognition of certification process under the NRC requirements. In addition, please notify the NRC 6 months in advance of any plans for CBNC to become inactive or disband the Nuclear Cardiology certification program.

For further information or for questions, please contact Maryann Ayoade at (301) 415-0862 or via email at [Maryann.Ayoade@nrc.gov](mailto:Maryann.Ayoade@nrc.gov) or Jennifer Fisher at (301) 415-1456 or via email at [Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Fisher@nrc.gov).



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<sup>3</sup> Additional information can be found in the July 16, 2018, section of the NRC website titled "Background Information for Medical Licensees," available at <https://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/med-use-toolkit/background-info-med-license.html#july162018>.

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