

American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology

2026 Examination Schedule (updated 11/1/2025)

Specialty Certification Examinations				
Examination	Choice of Dates	Apps Avail Online	App Deadline +++	Late Deadline
Psychiatry	September 8-9, 2026	January 5, 2026	April 6, 2026	May 4, 2026
Neurology	September 14-18, 2026	January 5, 2026	April 6, 2026	May 4, 2026
Child Neurology	September 14-18, 2026	January 5, 2026	April 6, 2026	May 4, 2026
Subspecialty Certification Examinations				
Examination	Choice of Dates	Apps Avail Online	App Deadline +++	Late Deadline
Child and Adol Psychiatry	September 8-9, 2026	January 5, 2026	April 6, 2026	May 4, 2026
Pain Medicine	September 26, 2026	December 1, 2025	June 29, 2026	July 6, 2026
Addiction Psychiatry	October 5-9, 2026	December 18, 2025	April 9, 2026	April 16, 2026
Geriatric Psychiatry	October 5-9, 2026	December 18, 2025	April 9, 2026	April 16, 2026
Neurocritical Care	October 5-9, 2026	December 18, 2025	April 9, 2026	April 16, 2026
Epilepsy	October 19-23, 2026	December 18, 2025	April 21, 2026	April 28, 2026
Neuromuscular Medicine	October 19-23, 2026	December 18, 2025	April 21, 2026	April 28, 2026
Vascular Neurology	October 19-23, 2026	December 18, 2025	April 21, 2026	April 28, 2026
Brain Injury Medicine	October 29, 2026	December 1, 2025	March 13, 2026	March 20, 2026
Sleep Medicine	November 10, 2026	December 1, 2025	May 15, 2026	May 29, 2026
Continuing Certification (CC) Examinations				
Examination	Choice of Dates	Apps Avail Online	App Deadline +++	Late Deadline
Neurology	February 2-6, 2026	August 1, 2025	October 23, 2025	October 30, 2025
Child Neurology	February 2-6, 2026	August 1, 2025	October 23, 2025	October 30, 2025
Psychiatry	February 9-13, 2026	August 1, 2025	November 10, 2025	November 17, 2025
Child and Adol Psychiatry	February 9-13, 2026	August 1, 2025	November 10, 2025	November 17, 2025
Addiction Psychiatry	February 16-20, 2026	August 5, 2025	November 11, 2025	November 18, 2025
Geriatric Psychiatry	February 16-20, 2026	August 5, 2025	November 11, 2025	November 18, 2025
Forensic Psychiatry	March 9-13, 2026	August 20, 2025	November 25, 2025	December 2, 2025
Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry (formerly PSM)	March 9-13, 2026	August 20, 2025	November 25, 2025	December 2, 2025
Combined (Psychiatry)*+	March 23-27, 2026	August 1, 2025	December 15, 2025	December 22, 2025
Clinical Neurophysiology	April 13-17, 2026	September 17, 2025	December 29, 2025	January 5, 2026
Epilepsy	April 13-17, 2026	September 17, 2025	December 29, 2025	January 5, 2026
Neurodevelopmental Dis	April 27 – May 1, 2026	September 17, 2025	January 12, 2026	January 19, 2026
Neuromuscular Medicine	April 27 – May 1, 2026	September 17, 2025	January 12, 2026	January 19, 2026
Vascular Neurology	April 27 – May 1, 2026	September 17, 2025	January 12, 2026	January 19, 2026
Combined (Neurology)*++	May 4-8, 2026	August 1, 2025	January 26, 2026	February 2, 2026
Psychiatry	August 3-24, 2026	August 1, 2025	May 1, 2026	May 8, 2026
Child and Adol Psychiatry	August 3-24, 2026	August 1, 2025	May 1, 2026	May 8, 2026
Neurology	August 3-24, 2026	August 1, 2025	May 1, 2026	May 8, 2026
Child Neurology	August 3-24, 2026	August 1, 2025	May 1, 2026	May 8, 2026
Sleep Medicine	November 10, 2026	December 1, 2025	August 3, 2026	August 3, 2026
Examination Schedule Notes				
* 2026 will be the final year ABPN offers combined CC exams for physicians seeking continuing certification in multiple specialties or subspecialties. Single CC examination administrations will continue to be offered for all certifications.				
+ Psychiatry Combined CC exams consist of 2 or 3 of these specialties/subspecialties: Psychiatry, CAP, AP, FP, GP, and CLP.				
++ Neurology Combined CC exams consist of 2 or 3 of these specialties/subspecialties: Neurology, Child Neurology, CNP, EP, NDD, NMM, and VN. Any Combined CC exam that includes Neurology or one of the Neurology subspecialties listed above must be taken during the April Combination CC testing window.				
+++ \$500 late fee (\$100 for CC) required after application deadline but before late deadline. Application deadlines are 11:59 p.m. CST.				
Beginning in 2024, diplomates in Brain Injury Medicine and Pain Medicine will continue certification using the longitudinal assessment.				
All dates are subject to change. Visit www.abpn.org for more information.				