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Emirati Board Certification Eligibility

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Emirati Board Certification

Emirati Board Certification demonstrates that physicians have met rigorous standards through structured training, assessment, and evaluation. Certification encompasses the core competencies adopted by the National Institute of Health Sciences (NIHS) and sets the stage for lifelong learning and continual professional development.

The following are steps to to achieve **Emirati Board Specialty Certification**:

1. The applicant has obtained a medical qualification acceptable to NIHS.
2. The applicant has satisfactorily completed specialty or subspecialty program accredited by the NIHS and attested by program director for independent practice.
3. The applicant has successfully completed all assessment(s) required by NIHS.

The Emirati Board considers all physicians who have met specialty-specific training requirements in an NIHS-accredited training program and demonstrated proficiencies in the core competencies to be "Board Eligible" in the relevant specialty for a period of four years. The four-year period of Board Eligibility begins upon the candidate's successful completion of the training requirements in their field. During the period of Board Eligibility, the candidate may apply for the certifying examination in the relevant specialty, provided they are active in clinical practice. If the candidate does not become board certified during the four-year period of Board Eligibility, the candidate will no longer be deemed "Board Eligible."

A candidate who is no longer Board Eligible may apply for a certification examination, but only if the candidate has:

1. Completed a year of retraining in the relevant specialty after the expiry of the candidate's period of Board eligibility in an NIHS-accredited program. Retraining must be supervised similar to that of other trainees in the program; unsupervised employee duties, practice monitoring/observer-ships, or CME courses will not meet the requirements for retraining. NIHS will require an attestation from the program director that the candidate has demonstrated proficiency in the requisite competencies for unsupervised practice at current training standards, just as is required for final year trainees in the training program.
2. Met all other requirements for Board Certification in effect at the time of application for the certification examination.

The Maximum number of attempts for the final written examination and the clinical examination is governed by the NIHS' executive assessment rules and assessment regulations.

Exam Eligibility - Eligibility to take the Specialty Certification Examination(s)

Application should only be submitted by those who can document that they meet one of the following requirements:

1. Residents/fellows currently enrolled in a specialty or subspecialty program accredited by NIHS.
2. Residents/fellows who completed their specialty or subspecialty program in an NIHS-accredited program.

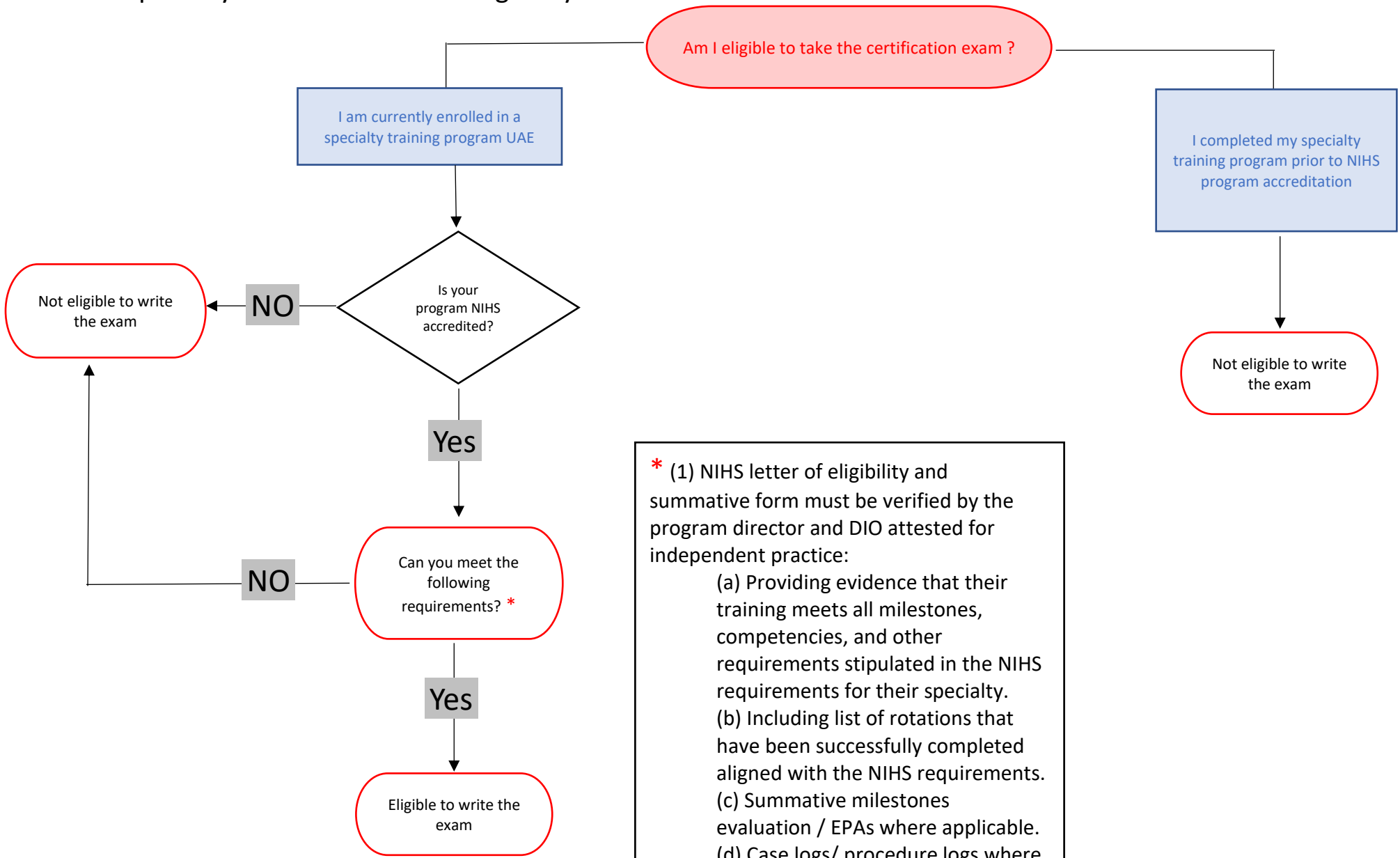
Documentation

Applicants are responsible for providing documentation of all credentials by appropriate authorities and for all periods of training. NIHS retains the right to request additional documentation from an applicant.

Confirmation of Completion of Training

- 1) Satisfactorily completion of specialty or subspecialty residency/fellowship program accredited by NIHS.
 - (1) NIHS letter of eligibility and summative form must be verified by a program director & DIO attested for independent practice:
 - (a) Providing evidence that their training meets all milestones, competencies, and other requirements stipulated in the NIHS requirements for their specialty.
 - (b) Including list of rotations that have been successfully completed aligned with the NIHS requirements.
 - (c) Summative milestones evaluation / EPAs where applicable.
 - (d) Case logs/ procedure logs where applicable.
- 2) Applicants who **completed** their postgraduate medical education prior to NIHS- program accreditation are not eligible to take the exam except as exempted in accordance with NIHS rules.

Specialty Certification Exam Eligibility



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