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The International Board of Heart Rhythm Examiners (IBHRE) is the global leader in heart rhythm certification. Established in 1985, IBHRE® was the first testing organization founded to raise the level of professionalism and academic credibility in cardiac pacing and electrophysiology. Nearly 30 years and over 9,000 certified professionals later, IBHRE remains the certification of choice for physicians and allied professional who successfully validate their mastery of skills, knowledge and abilities through predetermined standards of excellence.

EMPLOYERS SEEK CERTIFIED PROFESSIONALS

"IF I HAD NOT TAKEN THE RECERTIFICATION EXAM, I FEEL THE HOSPITAL WOULD HAVE TAKEN A STEP BACKWARD. I THINK PATIENTS APPRECIATE KNOWING I AM CERTIFIED."

-2012 CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL

Professional certifications are becoming a top priority for licensed physicians and health care professionals in practices across the globe.

Increasingly, employers are seeking to hire personnel who not only have the appropriate experience, but also individuals who demonstrate a strong foundation and thorough understanding of the knowledge required in their professions.

Becoming IBHRE certified undeniably enhances the clinical knowledge and technical proficiency of the heart rhythm professional. The examinations provided by IBHRE measure and test a professional's vital competencies related to cardiac pacing and electrophysiology, and assess how well they are able to apply this knowledge in daily practice.

IBHRE certified professionals enhance the credibility of their medical practices and gain a significant competitive advantage in their field of work. More than 50 percent of IBHRE certified professionals have stated that receiving the certification has also helped them improve as a practitioner.

IBHRE certified professionals make invaluable contributions toward properly diagnosing heart rhythm disorders and providing employers and patients with the reassurance that comes with proven experience and qualifications.

"I FEEL A SENSE OF PERSONAL CONFIDENCE IN WHAT I DO EVERY DAY. IT WAS PERSONAL SATISFACTION THAT DROVE ME TO ACHIEVE IBHRE CERTIFICATION AND NOW THAT I HAVE IT, I FEEL MORE CONFIDENT AND WILLING TO HAVE COMPLEX DISCUSSIONS WITH PHYSICIANS." -2012 CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL

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IBHRE CERTIFICATION SUCCESS: ST. BARTHOLOMEW HOSPITAL, LONDON

The cardiac physiologists at St. Bartholomew Hospital in London are thrilled after Alex Cambridge achieved the highest passing mark worldwide for his 2012 IBHRE allied professional device exam. However, Alex is just one in a long line of successful health care professionals who represent the St. Bart's cardiac physiology team!

Alex's colleague Martin Rowe also earned his CCDS credential the same year. His achievement contributed to the 100 percent IBHRE exam pass rate that St. Bartholomew's Hospital cardiac physiologists have

maintained for the past 10 years. Additionally, the majority of these passing scores have been in the top 10 percentile of their respective exam administration.

Principal Cardiac Physiologist Dr. Spencer Ramsay noted, "I would like to congratulate these young stars of the future and thank them for the hard work and dedication they have shown. We are immensely proud of their achievements."

The Cardiology Department at St. Bartholomew's Hospital has, for many

years, taken pride in the level of expertise and teamwork its staff displays and the outstanding training opportunities it offers. IBHRE congratulates St. Bart's on their immense achievements.

HAVE A STORY TO CONTRIBUTE? SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES WITH US AND BE FEATURED IN IBHRE'S NEWSLETTER!

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MEET YOUR NEW IBHRE LEADERS!

It is with great pleasure that we announce the following new members unanimously chosen to represent the organization.

In an effort to support progressive leadership and succession planning for the organization, IBHRE ran a recruitment campaign to encourage qualified physicians and allied professionals to apply for Board of Directors and committee positions. The campaign also brought in applicants for two newly established governance groups. The IBHRE Content Experts Committee would be responsible for developing educational tools to align with exam content outlines. The IBHRE Ambassadors will serve as worldwide advocates for the certification programs.

To implement this initiative, IBHRE's Governance & Nominations Task Force, headed by Dr. Bruce Wilkoff, worked alongside the Board of Directors to nominate those individuals whose skills and qualifications would best suit the present needs of each group. As a result, long-standing members of the Test Writing Committees were chosen to fill vacancies on the IBHRE Board. New members whose expertise, exam performance, and involvement in heart rhythm management have been exemplary were selected to serve on each committee.

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Did you know...?

- All Pediatric EPs who have taken IBHRE's Physician EP exam have thus far retained a 100% passing rate.
- There are currently twelve IBHRE certified allied professionals in South Africa.
- The United Kingdom has 77 CCDS certified physicians, making them the highest number of certified physicians outside the United States. Coming in second and third are the Netherlands with 35 certified physicians and Canada with 26.



NEW IBHRE WEBSITE AND CAREER CENTER COMING FALL 2013

IBHRE ANNOUNCES THE LAUNCH OF A NEW WEBSITE THIS FALL.

IBHRE's goal is to create a more robust and streamlined experience for web visitors which will be accomplished by cross-referencing with the Heart Rhythm Society's current website platform. The new site will include extensive cosmetic updates, increased functionality, and special features so you'll never miss another exam registration deadline!

The new IBHRE Career Center is one of many new resources that will be added, providing IBHRE certified professionals with the opportunity to locate and compare job opportunities while also allowing employers to directly market job openings towards IBHRE certified.

Certified professionals can also submit their testimonials in our Featured Story section so others can learn about their experience in becoming IBHRE certified.

Other additional components will include a Promotional Center, which will offer resources about the value of IBHRE certification, what to do after gaining your certification, as well as how to educate patients about the IBHRE credential. IBHRE presentation files will be available to download as well. These resources are especially useful for informing employers and colleagues about the significance and value of IBHRE certification.

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Register for Allied EP Exam

Register for the Allied EP Exam scheduled for April 9, 2014.

Click here to get more information on registration and deadlines.

Patient Guide

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Join the Heart Rhythm Society today and save on your IBHRE exam fees. [Learn More](#)

Why IBHRE Certification?

Calendar Spotlight

JAN 21 2013 [Early registration deadline date - Certification examination for competence in cardiac rhythm device therapy for the physician](#)

FEB 21 2013 [Final registration deadline date - Certification examination for competence in cardiac rhythm device therapy for the physician](#)

IBHRE OUTREACH AT THE HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY'S SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

IBHRE held several events at the Heart Rhythm Society's 34th Annual Scientific Sessions in Denver, CO. The events were designed to promote further awareness of IBHRE programs to an international audience.

On Thursday, May 9, IBHRE Board and Test Writing Committee members engaged in a meet-and-greet session with attendees interested in networking with leaders of the organization and learning more about IBHRE certification. Additionally, IBHRE held several meetings with international physician leaders from Japan, India, Europe, and China to discuss partnership opportunities and determine new ways to promote certification awareness.

Throughout the Scientific Sessions, IBHRE promoted its free annual raffle to win a complimentary exam registration. Every year, IBHRE presents two winning health care professionals with a complimentary registration. With this raffle, IBHRE can make way for qualified health care professionals to obtain the certification. For 2013, the winners were from Edward Heart Hospital in Naperville, IL and the HUCH Hospital for Children and Adolescents in Helsinki, Finland.

IBHRE staff was pleased to have the opportunity to meet several certified professionals and many prospective examinees in person at the IBHRE booth in Heart Rhythm Place within the Exhibit Hall.





EMPLOYERS

The benefits of specialty certification reach throughout the healthcare system—from physicians and allied, to the profession, and employers, patients, and families. Certification validates your knowledge and skills, improves quality and safety, and gives patients a benchmark to measure the level of care they can expect to receive at your healthcare facility. As heart rhythm disorders become increasingly complex, physicians and allied alike are called upon to perform ever more sophisticated care. Certification helps ensure that their expertise and clinical judgment keep pace.

“The EP physician I work with has greater confidence in me because I chose to recertify.”

-2012 IBHRE Certified Professional



DON'T FORGET TO RECERTIFY!

Recertification of your IBHRE designation, by way of re-examination, is essential to maintaining and demonstrating continued competency. Recertification is required every ten (10) years after your initial certification. After the first five (5) years following your designation, you must also attest to have been actively involved in activities that are directly applicable to at least three (3) of the competencies listed in your exam content outline.

3 STEPS TO RECERTIFICATION



■ To be eligible for recertification, candidates must:

- Have 45 contact hours of IBHRE maintenance of certification activities
- Remain in good standing within the medical community
- Attest to remaining involved in the field of cardiac rhythm management

*Those who fail to meet these requirements will be ineligible to recertify



■ Five (5) years after initial certification: attest to 45 contact hours of IBHRE certification-related Maintenance of Certification (MoC) activities

– IBHRE certificants must file a professional development activities form and pay a processing fee by December 31 of the fifth year of their certification (found on IBHRE website)

– Activities may include [but are not limited to]:

- Continuing Medical Education (CME) or Continuing Education (CE)
- IBHRE Committee Service
- Lecture/Presentation
- Publications
- College or University Credit
- Industry Training
- Industry Sponsored Education Presentation

– Minimum hours must be completed in order to recertify



■ Ten (10) years post initial certification: retake examination to maintain certification

- Certificants must indicate on the exam application that they are taking the exam to recertify
- All application and exam fees must be paid and the required documents provided
- Failure to pass the recertification exam will result in the candidate's lapse of certification



GET TO KNOW IBHRE'S PRESIDENT: CHARLES LOVE, MD, FHRS, CCDS

WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO ENTER THE FIELD OF PACING/ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY?

I always was interested in electrical circuits, even etching and building my own circuit boards as a teenager. Combined with my love of doing direct patient care and interest in surgical and interventional procedures, EP seemed like a perfect fit. However, none of this would have been possible without the guidance, mentoring, and role models to which I was exposed to during my fellowship at Ohio State. Specifically, Dr. Stephen Schaal and Dr. Carl Leier cultivated my interest in EP, and Dr. Charles Meckstroth (a cardiac surgeon) taught me the right way to implant devices. I am a long way from my initial goal of being a family physician in Mayville, NY on Lake Chautauqua driving my boat to work every day.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT THE FIELD OF PACING/ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY?

The ability to have such an immediate impact on a patient's state of health and quality of life is core to many EP procedures. Restoring a normal heart rate and rhythm, the ability to do a procedure that allows a patient to come off of drug therapy, and the restoration of functional status with CRT therapy are just a few of the benefits patients sustain by what we do as EPs.

WHAT FACTORS INFLUENCED YOUR DECISION TO FOLLOW THE LEADERSHIP PATH?

I was fortunate to be in the right place at the right time, again, with the right mentors. After taking and passing the NASPExAM in 1991, I was asked to join the test writing committee. Led by Dr. Seymour Furman and working with many leaders in the field to create examination questions was enlightening, energizing, and inspiring. I always felt that NASPExAM had even more potential to become a certification exam, and this became my primary goal when I was asked to assume leadership of the organization. We have now become the International Board of Heart Rhythm Examiners, with a professional staff and worldwide recognition. This is the result of hard work and commitment of our director and all of the hard working members of our test writing committees and boards.

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO THE MOST DURING YOUR TENURE?

I would like to see the IBHRE exam become even more accepted worldwide. We are working with great people on our board and leaders from heart rhythm societies around the world with great success.

DO YOU HAVE ANY WORDS OF WISDOM, PHILOSOPHY, OR QUOTE THAT HAS IMPACTED YOUR DECISIONS OR ANOTHER ASPECT OF YOUR LIFE?

Dr. Charles Wooley, one of my mentors at Ohio State always said, "It is hard to make an asymptomatic patient feel better." I have found that over the years, this one bit of guidance has helped me practice compassionate, effective, and cost-effective medicine.

WHAT WAS THE LAST BOOK YOU READ?

Destiny of the Republic by Candice Millard. This is the story of President James Garfield who was shot by a would-be assassin. The interesting part is that it was not the shooter that killed him, it was his physician. Garfield was an amazing man, and if you read the book, you will wonder where leaders like he was are to be found these days. If you read it, drop me an email and let me know what you think!

WHEN AND WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO JOIN IBHRE AND THE HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY?

HRS was an easy decision. I was hooked after my first NASPE scientific sessions. Here was a group of people with the same interests as me, and a great place to share ideas, get education, and find out about the newest techniques, drugs, and devices. I also wanted to get the Society's journal! Joining IBHRE? When Dr. Furman asks you to join, you join. I could list the outstanding people that I have worked with on the writing committees over the years, and it would be a "Who's Who" of our profession, both physicians and allied professionals. It is has been and continues to be an honor to work with these incredible people.

WHAT IBHRE OR SOCIETY PROJECT (TASK FORCE OR COMMITTEE RELATED) HAVE YOU MOST ENJOYED WORKING ON? WHY?

There have been many, but being chair of the pacing exam writing committee for IBHRE is my greatest love. I always learn so much from my colleagues, and we share such great



camaraderie during our review sessions. If I had to choose only one thing to do, it would be to continue working on this committee with these great physicians, nurses, and technologists.

ARE THERE ANY HEART RHYTHM ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS MEMORIES YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?

I suppose there is really not a single memory that stands out. For me, to walk down a hallway at the sessions, and not be able to get more than a few steps without seeing and greeting a friend/colleague/mentor/trainee/former trainee is the best part. Sometimes it is difficult due to the lack of time for talking as I rush from one commitment to another, but it is still the best part of the meeting for me.

WHAT IS ONE OF YOUR FAVORITE CITIES AND WHY?

Pittsburgh. I grew up there and still have family there. The city has been through difficult times, but has reinvented itself as a medical and "high tech" center. Of course, there are the Steelers!

DO YOU HAVE ANY HOBBIES?

I love to make pizza from scratch and make teaching videos when I have the time. I have been fortunate to have the opportunity to travel internationally, and love exploring new places, meeting new people, and learning about different cultures.

THERE'S A RUMOR THAT KISS'S SONG "CALLING DR. LOVE" IS THE RINGTONE ON YOUR CELL PHONE. IS THIS TRUE?

Call me and find out.



LINKING IBHRE CERTIFICATION WITH PERFORMANCE AND PATIENT OUTCOMES

As IBHRE's certification audience and stakeholders have expanded worldwide, it has become increasingly evident that there is a growing need to provide concrete research that links certification with successful outcomes. IBHRE has tracked concerns from some health care professionals who are unable to show concrete evidence to their employers that the IBHRE certification is a valuable means of validating their skills and knowledge. In 2012, the IBHRE Board of Directors moved to conduct an outcomes-based research study to discover if IBHRE certification has a positive impact on quality patient outcomes.

Headed by Paul Levine, MD, FHRS, FACC, CCDS, a Market Research Task Force was assembled this year to design a hypothesis and research strategy for the proposed study. Although IBHRE plans for this study to eventually encompass all demographics (physicians and allied professionals, both international and domestic), the preliminary study will focus on allied professional EPs within the United States.

The study will present both quantitative and qualitative data regarding IBHRE certified professionals. Measurable outcomes being considered include utilizing patient satisfaction tools; hospital and industry surveys; and performance measures from the Heart Rhythm Society, the National Cardiovascular Data Registry, and similar databases. This study will take approximately two years to complete. The evolving document will be revisited every two to three years as new data is collected. IBHRE anticipates that this study will serve as a good measure for quality, as well as a solid reference tool for regulatory and health policy agendas.

HEAR WHAT YOUR PEERS ARE SAYING ABOUT IBHRE CERTIFICATION:

WHY SHOULD YOUR COLLEAGUES OR STAFF CONSIDER OBTAINING IBHRE CERTIFICATION?

- Although I took the exam to show my knowledge of devices, in preparing for the exam I gained a deeper understanding of many aspects of device management. I feel that the learning experience would be invaluable to my colleagues. Laurie Sinn, BS,BSN, RN, CCDS - Missouri
- Recognition by employer as well as colleagues and physicians with whom you work on a daily basis was a benefit, but mainly the increased knowledge that you gain while preparing for the exam as well as the personal satisfaction was tremendous. Colleen Pamula, BSN, CCDS - Minnesota
- It represents the highest and most updated knowledge and experience in the field with clear understanding of all developments over the past decades. Adil Ahmed, MBBS, CCDS – Saudi Arabia



- Preparation for the exam better prepares us for our profession, increases our knowledge of competitor devices, and prepares us to better serve our patients. Matthew Bredehoft, BS, CCDS - Illinois

IF A PATIENT ASKS YOU WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE CCDS OR CEPS CERTIFICATION, HOW WOULD YOU EXPLAIN IT?

- IBHRE certification is sought by and obtained by the best and brightest. It means these individuals care about EP/ devices and keep up with the latest changes. I would love to see IBHRE certification marketed to patients: having a patient ask if staff is IBHRE certified increases the value of the certification for employers, thus making an employee who is

IBHRE certified more valuable. Laurel Racenet, FNP, MSN, FHRS, CCDS, CEPS – Alaska

HOW HAS IBHRE CERTIFICATION AFFECTED YOUR INTERACTIONS WITH OTHERS?

- I have attended several conferences and when I had my name badge on, people would come introduce themselves to me. I have also had recruiters send me job openings as well. Amy Brown, RTR, CEPS - Maryland
- Studying for the exam greatly improved my knowledge. Success in the exam has improved my professional reputation, which in turn is allowing me to apply and share my knowledge. I am far more secure in my ideas and opinions, and can approach others with confidence, and I am now receiving requests to speak at national conferences. Miriam Norman, MS, CCDS - Australia

"I BECAME IBHRE CERTIFIED BECAUSE..."

...it means I can push my career and the service at my hospital to new levels and it has given me the confidence to know how to do my job to the best of my ability. Tegan Moxon, BAPPSC, CCDS - Australia

...I was given the responsibility of caring for hundreds of device patients and I wanted to understand programming, arrhythmias, and device function so I could confidently work with patients to help them feel comfortable and confident in their follow-up care. Linda Dabringer, BS, BSN, CCDS - Wisconsin

...I wanted to provide a world class service to my patients and my employer. I work in a hospital on an island, with limited physician support. I have no accredited superior to account to. I became IBHRE certified because there was no other way of knowing whether or not my level of professional knowledge was acceptable. Miriam Norman, MS, CCDS - Australia





FEBRUARY 11, 2014 IS IBHRE DAY!

IBHRE HAS DESIGNATED FEBRUARY 11, 2014 AS IBHRE DAY to coincide with Heart Month (February) and Cardiovascular Professionals Week (February 10 -16)!

Research shows that valuing employees is one of the top three drivers of employee engagement, so employers should make an effort to recognize their certified employees for their dedication and discipline. The purpose of IBHRE day is to spread awareness of IBHRE certification and recognition among the heart rhythm community. IBHRE Day recognizes our certified professionals and provides an opportunity for employers to extend their appreciation as well. Employees have the opportunity to show off all their

hard work by wearing their IBHRE pins, polos, and other gear. IBHRE certified professionals report a higher sense of personal satisfaction, proficiency, salary, as well as an increased level of confidence in their interactions with colleagues. Patients are also encouraged to recognize their certified health care providers as they are in the care of someone who has achieved the highest standards of cardiac rhythm management and mastered this distinctive subspecialty.

Join your fellow colleagues from around the world by sharing this time-honored tradition of recognizing excellence in heart rhythm management.

If you're a certified professional who hasn't already purchased our products, visit our online store to start shopping!



QUICK TIPS

LOOKING FOR A TESTING CENTER?

- IBHRE Exams are administered by computer-based testing at Prometric Test Centers worldwide. To locate a test center near you, visit www.prometric.com/IBHRE

BECOME A FELLOW OF THE HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY (FHRS)

- IBHRE certification can bring you one step closer to FHRS status! Find more information on FHRS credentials and criteria, and [learn how to become a member.](#)

NOT SURE WHEN YOUR CERTIFICATION ENDS?

- IBHRE certifications are valid until December 31 of the 10th year of your credential. Can't remember in what year you took your exam? Contact IBHRE staff at info@ibhre.org or visit the IBHRE recipient list at www.ibhre.org

WHAT MAKES IBHRE'S PHYSICIAN EP EXAM SO UNIQUE?

IMAGINE BEING A PHYSICIAN TRAINED IN CANADA OR THE U.K. OR ANY OTHER COUNTRY. You trained in Internal Medicine and Cardiology, and then came to the U.S. for EP training at an approved program. Then you weren't allowed to prove your competency by sitting for The American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM) EP Board. This is the experience of many physicians who have had all or part of their training at non-U.S. training programs.

The same is true of Pediatric EPs that have had no path to EP Board certification because they went through a pediatric cardiology program rather than a general (adult) cardiology program. By administering this exam, IBHRE not only promotes a global standard of knowledge, but also provides these physicians with the means to validate their skills and competency in the subspecialty of EP.

Do you fall under either of these categories? If so, take this opportunity to validate your skills and knowledge to your patients and colleagues by registering for the IBHRE® Certification Examination for Competency in Cardiac Electrophysiology for the Physician (Physician EP Exam), which will be held on Wednesday, **DECEMBER 4, 2013** via computer-based testing.

Considering becoming a Fellow of the Heart Rhythm Society (FHRS)? IBHRE certification may

help you fulfill FHRS eligibility requirements. FHRS status recognizes members of the Heart Rhythm Society for their advanced training, certification and commitment to the research and treatment of heart rhythm disorders.
REGISTRATION ENDS SEPTEMBER 5, 2013.

This will be the only IBHRE EP Certification Examination for Physicians offered in 2013! Don't delay — register online today!

Available Resources for Exam Applicants:

- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Physician EP Exam Eligibility Policy](#) (PDF)
- [Physician EP Exam Content Outline](#)
- [Exam Fees](#)
- [Recommended Reading List](#)
- [IBHRE Certification Candidate Bulletin for the Physician and Allied Professional](#) (PDF)

INTERESTED IN LIVE STUDY MATERIALS TO PREPARE FOR THE PHYSICIAN EP EXAM?

Sign up today for the Heart Rhythm Society's Board Review Course in Cardiac Electrophysiology, which takes place September 19-22 in Chicago, IL. Although meant as study tool for the ABIM examination, physicians who are preparing for the IBHRE exam will find this beneficial as well.



IBHRE congratulates the 206 men and women who recently received their IBHRE certifications. We commend those employers who maintain the high standards in heart rhythm competency by employing IBHRE certified professionals to enhance the profession and improve the quality of care of patients seen in medical practices around the world.

CELEBRATING OUR NEWLY CERTIFIED CEPS RECIPIENTS:

2012 PHYSICIAN EP CERTIFIED PROFESSIONALS (CEPS)

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