



# **American Board of Vascular Medicine (ABVM) Certification Examinations**

## **INFORMATION HANDBOOK**

Application: April 30 – August 1, 2009

Scheduling: May 1 – September 26, 2009

Test Administration: September 11 – September 26, 2009

General Exam  
Endovascular Exam

Testing at over 200 Pearson<sup>®</sup> Testing Centers nationwide

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# Introduction

## Certification

During the week of September 11 - 26, 2009, ABVM is offering computer-based certification tests in the following areas:

Vascular Medicine (General Examination)  
Endovascular Medicine (Endovascular Examination)

## Eligibility Determination

Using the application available on [www.vascularboard.org](http://www.vascularboard.org), apply for the examination(s) of interest and provide all requested documentation. Once you have received an email confirming your eligibility, please allow three (3) business days before trying to reserving your seat at a Pearson VUE Testing Center. Applications may take up to 6 weeks to review.

## Scheduling

To schedule your seat, use the Pearson VUE reservation website (accessed from [www.vascularboard.org](http://www.vascularboard.org)) or Pearson's toll-free telephone reservations system (1-800-470-8761). If you are scheduling both the Vascular Medicine (General Examination) and Endovascular Medicine (Endovascular Examination), you must use the toll free number to schedule your exams.

## Test Centers

These tests can only be taken at a secure, proctored, computer-based testing center. This ensures the security and reliability of the ABVM tests. You cannot take these tests over the internet at home or in your office.

## Recertification Process

Recertification will be required every ten years.

## Privacy Policy

ABVM will not release test scores over the telephone. We also will not report your individual test scores to anyone else unless we receive a written request from you. ABVM reserves the right to confirm whether you do or do not hold ABVM certification and in which area(s).

# ABVM Examinations

## Examination Questions and Time Allowed

Examination	Number of questions	Time allowed
Vascular Medicine	175	4 hours
Endovascular Medicine	100	2 hours

## 2009 Important Dates

The ABVM examinations are available from September 11 – 26, 2009.

Scheduling online or by telephone begins May 1, 2009 and remains open until 48 hours before the close of testing.

ABVM Examination Important Dates	
Applications	April 30 – August 1, 2009
Scheduling	May 1 – September 25, 2009
Testing	September 11 – September 26, 2009

## Exam Eligibility and Scheduling

### Eligibility Determination

You must first apply for eligibility determination for the test(s) you desire through the online application process at [www.vascularboard.org](http://www.vascularboard.org). When you have been deemed eligible, you will receive an email providing scheduling instructions. You may not schedule a test until ABVM has informed Pearson that you are eligible to do so. The Review Committee may take up to 6 weeks to review your application.

### Test Fees

ABVM charges a per-person application fee, plus a test fee for each examination requested. The fees are:

Application Fee	\$250
Examination Fee (General)	\$850
Examination Fee (Endovascular)	\$1250
Both exams	\$2000

**A \$50 reprocessing fee will be assessed on incomplete applications.**

### Refunds

**Please note that the application fee of \$250 is non-refundable.**

Examination fees are refundable only if the cancellation request is received in writing at least 30 days before the examination date. No refund can be made in the event of a later cancellation.

### Scheduling

The Vascular Medicine (General Examination) and Endovascular Medicine (Endovascular Examination) are administered only through Pearson VUE test sites. Scheduling an exam can

be done by phone or online. Please allow 3 business days from receipt of your eligibility confirmation email before trying to reserving your seat at a Pearson VUE test center.

To schedule your appointment for one of the two exams, you can use either the Pearson VUE reservation website (accessed from [www.vascularboard.org](http://www.vascularboard.org)) or phone (1-800-470-8761). **You must use the toll free number to schedule your appointment if you wish to take both exams on the same day. A scheduling supervisor will return your call.**

Select a testing site and schedule a test date online, through the "Schedule" link on [www.vascularboard.org](http://www.vascularboard.org).

OR

Call 1-800-470-8761 to schedule a test date and location. Call Monday through Friday between 8am and 11pm ET, on Saturday from 8am to 5pm ET, and on Sunday from 10am to 4pm ET.

### **Test Center Availability**

Testing times and dates are subject to the schedule and space available at each particular test center. Some test centers are not open every day. Call early in the registration period to have the best choice of dates, times and locations.

### **Appointment Length**

The testing time allotted for each test varies. (See the table on page 3 for specific details.)

**Plan to arrive at the testing center 30 minutes before your scheduled testing time** to allow time for check-in. If you do not appear at the test site, appointments will be cancelled thirty minutes after the scheduled time and all fees forfeited.

### **E-mail Confirmation**

Immediately after you schedule, you will receive an e-mail confirming your choice of test, the date and time of your testing appointment, and the location of the test center. **You should print a copy of the e-mail for your records. You are responsible for knowing the correct date, time, and location of your test.**

### **Rescheduling**

If you cannot keep your test appointment and wish to reschedule, you should call the Pearson registration office at 1-800-470-8761. The hours are 8am to 11pm ET Monday through Friday, Saturday from 8am to 5pm ET, and Sunday from 10am to 4pm ET. To increase your probability of finding another open test slot at your preferred location, please reschedule as soon as possible. Even if it is too late to reschedule, as a courtesy, please notify Pearson if you will be unable to test.

### **Severe Weather**

For test center closings due to inclement weather, please call 1-800-274-2615 for daily updates.

### **Test Center Interruptions**

If a power failure, technical problem, or any other sort of interruption occurs during your test, you will be asked to wait for the problem to be corrected. You will be able to resume your test where you stopped, with no reduction in the testing time.

## Preparing to Test

### How Should I Prepare?

A formal review course given by the Society for Vascular Medicine is planned for May 14 – 17, 2009, which will provide the comprehensive background for the General and Endovascular Examinations.

### Examination Content

The **General Examination** content is listed below with the approximate proportion of questions to be given in each area.

<b>General Examination Content Outline</b>	
Peripheral arterial disease	14%
Aortic disease	12%
Venous disease	12%
Vasculitis & connective tissue diseases	10%
Vascular laboratory	9%
Cerebrovascular disease	7%
Risk factors and prevention	7%
Visceral artery disease	6%
Vasospastic & thermal disease	4%
Leg ulcers	4%
Management of vascular surgery	4%
Vascular biology	4%
Thrombosis	2%
Lymphatic diseases	2%
Congenital vascular anomalies	2%
Neurovascular compression syndromes	2%

The **Endovascular Examination** content is listed below with the approximate proportion of questions to be given in each area.

<b>Endovascular Examination Content Outline</b>	
Treatment and Intervention	30%
Case studies	30%
Diagnostic Studies	12%
Patient Care	8%
Protocols	7%
Anatomy and Physiology	7%
Pathology	4%
Other	2%

# Computer-Based Test Centers

## Pearson VUE Test Centers

All ABVM computer-based tests are administered at authorized Pearson testing sites.

The following sites will offer ABVM computer-based testing (as of March 2009, please check online for the most current list). Not all test centers are open every day.

### Alabama

Birmingham Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Birmingham
Decatur Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Decatur
Mobile Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Mobile
Montgomery Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Montgomery
Dothan Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Dothan

### Alaska

Anchorage Pearson Vue Test Center	Anchorage
North Star Computing, Inc.	Fairbanks
Juneau - DataBank Computer Services	Juneau

### Arizona

Mesa Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Mesa
Tucson Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Tucson
Phoenix Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Phoenix

### Arkansas

Fort Smith Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Fort Smith
Little Rock Pearson Vue Test Center	Little Rock
Springdale Pearson Vue Test Center	Springdale
Texarkana College	Texarkana

### California

Anaheim Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Anaheim
Gardena Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Gardena
Pasadena Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Pasadena
Sacramento Pearson Vue Test Ctr.	Sacramento
Ontario Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Ontario
San Diego Pearson Vue Test Center	San Diego
Oakland Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Oakland

### Colorado

Colorado Springs Pearson Vue Test Center	Colorado Springs
Grand Junction Pearson Vue Test Center	Grand Junction
Denver Pearson Vue Test Center	Greenwood Village
Pueblo Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Pueblo
Bayfield Testing Center	Bayfield
Wheat Ridge Pearson Vue Test Ctr.	Wheat Ridge
Greeley Pearson Vue Test Center	Greeley

### Connecticut

Wallingford Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Wallingford
Wethersfield Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Wethersfield

### Delaware

Dover Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Dover
Newark Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Newark

### Florida

Orlando Pearson Vue Test Center	Orlando
Boynton Beach Pearson Vue Test Center	Boynton Beach
Overland Park Pearson Vue Test Center	Oakland Park
Ft. Myers Pearson Vue Test Center	Fort Myers
Gainesville Pearson Vue Test Center	Gainesville
Jacksonville Pearson Vue Test Center	Jacksonville
Miami Pearson Vue Test Center	Miami
Pensacola Pearson Vue Test Center	Pensacola
Tallahassee Pearson Vue Test Center	Tallahassee
Tampa Pearson Vue Test Center	Tampa
Hollywood Pearson Vue Test Center	Hollywood
St Petersburg Pearson Vue Test Center	St Petersburg
Coral Gables Pearson Vue Test Center	Coral Gables
Ormond Beach Pearson Vue Test Center	Ormond Beach
Lake Mary Pearson Vue Test Center	Lake Mary
Doral Pearson Vue Test Center	Doral
Melbourne Pearson Vue Test Center	Melbourne
Sarasota Pearson Vue Test Center	Sarasota
Ft Lauderdale II Pearson Vue Test Center	Ft Lauderdale
Lakeland Pearson Vue Test Center	Lakeland
Ft Myers II Pearson Vue Test Center	Ft Myers II

### Georgia

Atlanta S Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Atlanta S
Macon Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Macon
Savannah Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Savannah
Augusta Pearson Vue Test Center	Augusta
Albany Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Albany
Marietta North Pearson Vue Test Center	Marietta North

### Hawaii

Parker School	Kamuela
Honolulu Pearson Vue Test Center	Honolulu
Computer Hospital	Lihue (Kauai)
Maui Family Footcare	Kahului (Maui)

### Idaho

Boise Pearson Vue Test Center	Boise
Nexus Worldwide Computer Training	Coeur d'Alene

**Idaho, continued**

Pocatello Pearson Vue Test Center	Pocatello
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**Illinois**

Springfield Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Springfield
Schaumburg Pearson Vue Test Ctr	Schaumburg
Chicago Pearson Vue Test Center	Chicago
Oak Brook Pearson Vue Test Center	Oak Brook
Black Hawk College	East Moline
John A. Logan College	Carterville

**Indiana**

Fort Wayne Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Fort Wayne
Terre Haute Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Terre Haute
Merrillville Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Merrillville
Evansville Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Evansville
Indianapolis Pearson Vue Test Center	Indianapolis

**Iowa**

Davenport Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Davenport
Sioux City Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Sioux City
	West Des Moines
West Des Moines Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Moines

**Kansas**

Overland Park Pearson Vue Test Center	Overland Park
Wichita Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Wichita
Topeka Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Topeka
Hays Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Hays

**Kentucky**

Lexington Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Lexington
Louisville Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Louisville

**Louisiana**

Metairie Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Metairie
Baton Rouge Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Baton Rouge
Shreveport Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Shreveport

**Maine**

Bangor Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Bangor
Westbrook Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Westbrook

**Maryland**

Baltimore Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Baltimore
Salisbury Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Salisbury
Allegany College of MD	Cumberland

**Massachusetts**

Worcester Pearson Vue Test Center	Worcester
Boston Pearson Vue Test Center	Boston
Woburn Pearson Vue Test Center	Woburn
Springfield Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Springfield
Dartmouth Pearson Vue Test Center	No Dartmouth

**Michigan**

Southfield Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Southfield
Lansing Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Lansing
Grand Rapids Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Grand Rapids
Marquette Computer Lab	Marquette

**Minnesota**

Rochester PPC	Rochester
Maplewood Pearson Vue Test Ctr.	Maplewood

**Minnesota, continued**

Willmar Pearson Vue Test Ctr.	Willmar
	Hermantown/ Duluth
Hermantown/Duluth PPC	Duluth
Edina Pearson Vue Test Center	Edina

**Mississippi**

Ridgeland Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Ridgeland
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**Missouri**

Springfield Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Springfield
Columbia Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Columbia
St. Ann Pearson Vue Test Center	St. Ann

**Montana**

Helena Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Helena
Billings Pearson Vue Test Center	Billings
University of Montana	Missoula

**Nebraska**

Omaha Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Omaha
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**Nevada**

Las Vegas Pearson Vue Test Center	Las Vegas
Reno Pearson Vue Test Center	Reno

**New Hampshire**

Concord Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Concord
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**New Jersey**

Springfield Pearson Vue Test Center	Springfield
Edison Pearson Vue Test Center	Edison
Mt Laurel Pearson Vue Test Center	Mount Laurel
Cedar Knolls Pearson Vue Test Center	Cedar Knolls
Northfield Pearson Vue Test Center	Northfield
Toms River Pearson Vue Test Center	Toms River
Hamilton Twnship Pearson Vue Test Center	Hamilton Township
Fairfield Pearson Vue Test Center	Fairfield

**New Mexico**

Albuquerque Pearson Vue Test Ctr.	Albuquerque
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**New York**

Albany Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Albany
Rochester Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Rochester
New York Pearson Prof. Ctr.	New York
Islandia Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Islandia
Watertown Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Watertown
	Williamsville/ Buffalo
Williamsville Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Buffalo
East Syracuse Pearson Prof. Ctr.	East Syracuse

**North Carolina**

Wilmington Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Wilmington
Raleigh Pearson Vue Test Center	Raleigh
Statesville Pearson Vue Test Center	Statesville
Huntersville Pearson Vue Test Center	Huntersville
Asheville Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Asheville
Greenville Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Greenville

**North Dakota**

West Fargo/Moorhead PPC	West Fargo
Bismarck Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Bismarck

**Ohio**

Bath Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Bath/Akron
Westlake Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Westlake
Dayton Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Dayton

Maumee/Toledo Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Maumee/ Toledo
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Gahanna Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Gahanna/ Columbus
Cincinnati Pearson Vue Test Center	Cincinnati

**Oklahoma**

Oklahoma City Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Oklahoma City
Tulsa Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Tulsa

**Oregon**

Salem Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Salem
Medford Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Medford
Beaverton Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Beaverton

**Pennsylvania**

Pittsburgh West Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Pittsburgh
Harrisburg Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Harrisburg
Scranton Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Scranton
Bala Cynwyd Pearson Vue Test Ctr.	Bala Cynwyd

**Puerto Rico**

San Juan Pearson Prof. Ctr.	San Juan
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**Rhode Island**

Providence Pearson Vue Test Center	East Providence
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**South Carolina**

N. Charleston Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Charleston
Columbia Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Columbia
Greenville Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Greenville

**South Dakota**

Sioux Falls Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Sioux Falls
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**Tennessee**

Nashville Pearson Vue Test Center	Nashville
Knoxville Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Knoxville
Memphis Pearson Vue Test Center	Memphis
Johnson City Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Johnson City
Jackson Pearson Vue Test Center	Jackson
Chattanooga Pearson Vue Test Center	Chattanooga

**Texas**

El Paso Pearson Prof. Ctr.	El Paso
Hurst Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Hurst
Amarillo Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Amarillo
Tyler Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Tyler
Austin Pearson Vue Test Center	Austin
Houston Pearson Vue Test Center	Houston
San Antonio Pearson Prof. Ctr.	San Antonio
Abilene Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Abilene
Corpus Christi Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Corpus Christi
Waco Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Waco
Dallas Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Dallas
Midland Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Midland

TX State Tech College - Harlingen	Harlingen
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**Texas, continued**

Lubbock Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Lubbock
Lamar Institute of Tech	Beaumont

**Utah**

Ogden Pearson Vue Test Center	Ogden
Orem/Provo Pearson Vue Test Ctr.	Provo
Midvale Pearson Vue Test Center	Midvale

**Vermont**

South Burlington Pearson Prof. Ctr.	S Burlington
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**Virginia**

Cross Data, Inc	Norfolk
Roanoke Pearson Professional Centers	Roanoke
Richmond Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Richmond
Lynchburg Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Lynchburg

**Washington**

Wenatchee Valley College	Wenatchee
Lacey Pearson Vue Test Center	Lacey
Kennewick Pearson Vue Test Center	Kennewick
Tukwila Pearson Vue Test Center	Tukwila/Seattle
Spokane Pearson Vue Test Center	Spokane
Vancouver Pearson Vue Test Center	Vancouver
Yakima Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Yakima
Everett Pearson Vue Test Center	Everett

**West Virginia**

Charleston Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Charleston
Morgantown Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Morgantown
Zaferatos Real Estate School	Beckley

**Wisconsin**

Elm Grove Pearson Vue Test Center	Elm Grove
Madison Pearson Vue Test Center	Madison
Green Bay Pearson Vue Test Center	Green Bay
Eau Claire Pearson Vue Test Center	Eau Claire
Wausau Pearson Vue Test Center	Wausau

**Wyoming**

Casper Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Casper
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**Canada**

Vancouver Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Vancouver, BC
Montreal Polar Bear	Montreal, QC
Ottawa Polar Bear Center	Ottawa, ON
Winnipeg Polar Bear - Nexient Learning Inc	Winnipeg, MB
Toronto Pearson Prof. Ctr.	Toronto

**Mexico**

Tec De Monterrey / Carretera Lago de	Mexico City
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**This list is subject to modification. Please check the Pearson test-center locator to confirm current availability.**

# At the Test Center

## Check-in Time

Your confirmation e-mail from Pearson includes the location of the test center, including the building name and room number. Please leave for the test center early enough to allow for traffic delays and parking. Park only in the designated areas. It is very important that you report to the test center promptly, (it is even better if you are early), as your computer is only reserved for you for a specific period of time.

When you check in, you will be asked to read and sign a consent form, stating that you agree to follow the standard Pearson testing regulations. You will not be allowed to test if you do not sign the consent form.

## Late Arrivals

If you are more than 30 minutes late for your appointment, you will not be allowed to test. **If you are unable to test because you miss, or are late to your appointment, you will forfeit all fees.**

## Photo ID Requirement

**A current, valid (unexpired) government-issued ID with photo and another, signed form of identification is required for admission to the test.** If you have had a recent name change (due to marriage, divorce, etc.) you must also provide an official legal document (marriage license or court order) to verify the change. Please note: **you must use the name on the government-issued ID on your application to ABVM.** If the names do not match exactly, you will be unable to take the exam and will forfeit your fees.

## What You Should NOT Bring

You should not bring anything to the test center other than your identification and printed confirmation email.

- **NO cellular phones, hand-held computers/personal digital assistants (PDAs) or other electronic devices, pagers, watches, wallets, purses, firearms or other weapons, hats, bags, coats, books, and/or notes, pens or pencils are allowed in the testing room.** Lockers are provided to store these items.
- Guests, visitors, and family members are not allowed in the testing room or reception area.
- Food and drinks are not allowed in the testing room.
- You may not bring any aids, manuals, books, or notes into the testing room.
- No valuables, backpacks, briefcase, large purses, or other miscellaneous items should be brought to the test center. **ABVM and the Pearson Test Centers are not responsible for items left in the reception area.**

## **Taking the Test**

Before you begin testing, you are asked to agree to maintain the confidentiality of the ABVM test questions, and to affirm your identity and the test you are taking. If you do not agree to these terms, the test will automatically be terminated, you will receive a score of zero on the test, and you will forfeit all fees for that test.

Each test session begins with a short tutorial that explains how to move forward and backward through the test, answer test questions, and flag questions for later review. You may skip questions, flag them, and return to them at any time. During the test, you can change your answer to any question at any time. The testing clock does not start until you begin the actual test.

A clock indicating the time remaining is shown in the corner of the screen, but it can be hidden from view if you find it distracting. Before you exit the test, you will be reminded to review the questions, including any that you have marked for review or left unanswered. Once you exit the test you may not return to it.

Your test score is based solely on the total number of correct answers you give, and there is no penalty for wrong answers. Therefore, it is to your advantage to answer every question.

## **Breaks**

The ABVM examinations do not include scheduled breaks. If you need to take a short break from the exam, you may do so, but the exam clock will continue to run. You will be asked to sign in/out from the testing room and **you may not leave the test center**.

## **Score Reports**

You will receive your score report and/or certificate from ABVM by mail by December 31, 2009.

## **Providing Feedback**

At the end of your test appointment, you will be asked to complete a short computerized survey to tell ABVM about your experience with various aspects of the test.

## **Americans with Disabilities Act**

Individuals who have been professionally diagnosed with a physical or mental impairment as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act may request assistance when taking the tests. ABVM and the Pearson VUE Testing Centers will make a reasonable effort to accommodate your request.

To request special arrangements contact:

Micheline Watt, Administrative Director  
American Board of Vascular Medicine  
446 North Street  
Chagrin Falls, OH 44022  
Phone: 440-247-4015  
Fax: 440-247-6376  
Email: [wattm1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wattm1@sbcglobal.net)

**All requests for testing assistance must be approved by ABVM in advance of scheduling. No requests for assistance made at the testing center on the day of the test will be accepted.**

## Frequently Asked Questions

### ***How does the process work?***

You must first apply for the test(s) you desire. When you have been determined eligible, you will receive an email providing scheduling instructions. You may not schedule a test until ABVM has informed Pearson that you are eligible to do so. Please allow three days from your receipt of the email before attempting to schedule your appointment.

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Scheduling period	May 1 – September 26, 2009
Testing period:	September 11 – September 26, 2009
To schedule, call toll-free:	1-800-470-8761

After being deemed eligible, you will be able to schedule your testing date and time, subject to availability. You must schedule at least two business days in advance. You will receive an appointment confirmation via e-mail.

Go to the test center at your appointed time and present your government-issued photo ID and another signed proof of identity. You will be seated, given a brief tutorial to acquaint you with the computer-delivered test, and then be able to take the certification test(s). After you complete your test(s), you will be asked to respond to a short survey about the examination experience.

### ***When will I receive my test results?***

ABVM will inform you of your score report and/or certificate by mail by December 31, 2009.

### ***Can I take the ABVM tests online, over the Internet, from my home computer?***

No. The centralized test centers have been selected to present a cost-effective, reliable, secure, and proctored environment best suited to maintain the integrity of the ABVM credential. Testing over the Internet presents numerous test security and operational issues that cannot be addressed, such as verifying the identity of the individual taking the test or maintaining the communications connection throughout the session.

### ***Can I take both tests?***

Yes. You may register to sit for both exams, but you must schedule two separate appointments. **You also must use the toll free number (800-470-8761) to schedule if you wish to take both exams on the same day.** A scheduling supervisor will return your call.

### ***Where are the test centers?***

There are over 200 test centers throughout the U.S. See pages 6-8 of this handbook for a list of test centers. Once you schedule, you will receive a confirmation e-mail, which will include the exact location of the test center, including the building name, room number, and driving directions.

### ***How much does the ABVM examination cost?***

Application Fee	\$250
Examination Fee (General)	\$850
Examination Fee (Endovascular)	\$1250
To sit for both exams	\$2000