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To Whom It May Concern:

Diagnostic radiology residents who have successfully passed the ABR Qualifying (Core) Exam, given after 36 months of training, must wait at least 12 months after satisfactory completion of their residency program to take the ABR Certifying Exam. The Qualifying (Core) Exam covers all areas of diagnostic radiology.

Candidates are considered board eligible for six full calendar years after successful completion of their ACGME-accredited residency program. A board eligible radiologist has satisfactorily completed an ACGME-accredited diagnostic residency program, with verification by the program stating that they have demonstrated sufficient competence to enter practice without direct supervision. Such radiologists have been deemed capable of practicing radiology independently prior to the ABR Certifying Exam. For more information about the ABR's policy on board eligibility, please see <https://www.theabr.org/exam-details/exam-policies/board-eligibility-policy>.

If you have further questions, please contact [information@theabr.org](mailto:information@theabr.org) or 520-790-2900.

Sincerely,

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