



Annual Survey Policy

The International Board of Heart Rhythm Examiners will administer an annual survey of IBHRE certificants for purposes of evaluating the quality, efficacy and relevance of its programs and activities. Data collected from the annual survey will also be assessed and evaluated to measure certificant compliance with IBHRE rules and requirements and to identify trends in the professional activities of certificants. The annual survey will be administered in the following two ways:

Employer Sampling:

IBHRE will administer a questionnaire to individuals identified as holding management/supervisor positions for organizations known to employ IBHRE certificants. The annual survey will seek to capture the following information:

- *Number of IBHRE certificants employed by the organization
- *Percentage of IBHRE certificants employed in proportion to non-certificants employed
- *Perceived value of certification in relation to the employees' work
- *Disciplinary proceedings with respect to certificants (nature of proceedings; outcomes)
- *Other feedback regarding the over all performance/ reputation of IBHRE certificants

Certificant Sampling:

IBHRE will administer a questionnaire to all individuals who hold an IBHRE credential. The annual survey will seek to capture the following information:

- *How many patient cases participated/assisted with in the past year?
- *Participated/assisted with performing Cardiac Electrophysiology Studies? If so, how many?
- *Participated/assisted with implanting permanent pacemakers? If so, how many?
- *Followed up with patients with permanent pacemakers? If so, how many?
- *Participated/assisted with implantation of ICDs? If so, how many?
- *Followed up with patients with ICDs? If so, how many?
- *Percentage of responsibilities devoted to electrophysiology, cardiac pacing and ICDs?
- *Perceived value of certification in relation to the certificants' work
- *Disciplinary proceedings with respect to certificants (nature of proceedings; outcomes)
- *Other feedback regarding the over all experience of certification

Participation in the survey will be voluntary. Certificants who participate will be given the opportunity to update their contact information as needed. Employer and certificant responses will be kept confidential.

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