Supporting Documentation Requirements

Application submission must be accompanied by the full application fee and supporting documentation that provides evidence of your eligibility. This documentation may include:

- A letter of recommendation from:
  - An immediate supervisor;
  - Human resources representative; or
  - A colleague from your place of employment.

- Certificate of completion or other documentation verifying successful completion of a formal training program or certification.

- Documentation from an alternative program.

About IBHRE

The International Board of Heart Rhythm Examiners® has set the standard for global certification in heart rhythm management since 1986. IBHRE offers competency certification to physicians and allied professionals to provide quality patient care in cardiac pacing and electrophysiology.

Certifications offered are the Certified Cardiac Device Specialist (CCDS), the Certified Cardiac Device Specialist - Japan Device Representative (CCDS-JOR), the Certified Electrophysiology Specialist (CEPS), the Certified Electrophysiology Specialist – Adult (CEPS-A), and the Certified Electrophysiology Specialist – Pediatric (CEPS-P).

Learn more about IBHRE’s certifications at IBHRE.org. Nurses and other allied professionals can visit IBHRENow.org to learn how IBHRE certification can help advance their career.

Candidate Resources

- IBHRE Certification Handbook | IBHRE.org/Exam-Preparation/Candidate-Handbook
- IBHRE Examination Dates | IBHRE.org/calendar
- Prometric Testing Sites | Prometric.com/hr
- Resources for Nurses and Other Allied Professionals | IBHRENow.org

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The IBHRE Certification Process

Your Pathway to Recognized Excellence in Heart Rhythm Management
For over 30 years, IBHRE has been internationally recognized as a certifying board that offers competency certification to physicians, nurses, and other allied professionals. The Board has certified over 10,000 distinguished heart rhythm professionals in more than 50 countries around the globe. Our certification is the official recognition of achievement, expertise, and clinical judgment in the specialty practice of cardiac rhythm device therapy and electrophysiology.

Accredited by the American National Standards Institute, IBHRE certification programs develop and measure competence in cardiac pacing and electrophysiology. We are also recognized by the American Nurses Credentialing Center on Certification as a Tier 3 certification for Magnet status.

Our Certification Process

Candidates pursuing IBHRE certification undergo a comprehensive review and examination process that measure their skills and knowledge in the field of heart rhythm management. Candidates must complete the following process and successfully pass an exam to earn IBHRE certification:

**STEP 1: CHOOSE YOUR CERTIFICATION**

The first step in the IBHRE certification process is identifying the certification that you are eligible to pursue. IBHRE offers five certifications based on area of expertise and career tracks:

✓ Certified Electrophysiology Specialist — Adult (CEPS-A)
✓ Certified Electrophysiology Specialist — Pediatric (CEPS-P)
✓ Certified Electrophysiology Specialist — (CEPS)
✓ Certified Cardiac Device Specialist — (CCDS)
✓ Certified Cardiac Device Specialist — Japan Device Representative (CCDS-JDR)

**STEP 2: DETERMINE YOUR ELIGIBILITY**

Eligibility requirements for IBHRE certification vary and are contingent upon the credential that you pursue. Go to IBHRE.org to view current eligibility requirements.

**STEP 3: COMPLETE THE ONLINE APPLICATION**

Begin the certification process by completing IBHRE’s application, which is available online at IBHRE.org.

**STEP 4: SCHEDULE YOUR EXAM APPOINTMENT**

Approximately six weeks after submitting the application, you will receive an email notification with instructions on how to schedule your exam appointment at the nearest Prometric testing site. This email will also include instructions for retrieving your scheduling permit based on the certification being pursued.

**STEP 5: SIT FOR THE IBHRE EXAM**

✓ Plan to arrive 30 minutes before your exam appointment.
Candidates who arrive late will not be permitted to sit for the exam.
✓ Bring the following with you:
  ✓ A valid government-issued ID, such as:
    - Passport
    - State - Issued ID
    - Driver’s License
    - Military ID
    - Citizenship Card
  ✓ An electronic or hard copy of your scheduling permit. (Not applicable for CEPS candidates).

**STEP 6: WAIT FOR YOUR EXAM RESULTS**

You will receive exam results via mail and/or email within 12 weeks after the exam date.

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1 Incomplete applications or applications submitted without payment of the full application fee are not considered.