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ABOUT IBHRE

PRIDE, VALIDATION, EXCELLENCE

Heart rhythm management professionals from around the world achieve their professional best through IBHRE certification. The IBHRE certification is the official recognition of achievement, expertise, and clinical judgment in the specialty practice of cardiac rhythm device therapy and cardiac electrophysiology (EP). IBHRE certified specialists include more than 8,000 distinguished physicians and allied professionals who have been tested on the scientific foundation, clinical skills, and technical knowledge required to provide and facilitate safe quality patient care in the management of arrhythmias.

The IBHRE marks of excellence — Certified Cardiac Device Specialist and Certified Electrophysiology Specialist — are held by health care professionals who have mastered the critical competencies required of their profession to:

• Embrace advancements in technology and adapt to health care changes in order to deliver quality care to a growing patient population
• Accurately assess patients and provide critical documentation
• Implement evidence-based plans of care
• Monitor and guide the selection and use of pharmaceutical formulas
• Provide comprehensive education to medical, specialized, and auxiliary staff
• Develop strategies to prevent complications
• Train, coach, and provide guidance to patients and families

Mission
• To improve the quality of knowledge of heart rhythm professionals.

Core Values
• Excellence: Reach beyond the norm to conserve the organization's gold standard of excellence in heart rhythm certification and maintain fairness and integrity in the development, administration, and promotion of the certification programs.
• Visionary Leadership: Secure strategically robust leaders to guide and protect the organization's interests.
• Professionalism: Uphold the highest standards of professionalism; demonstrate transparency and respond effectively to meet the needs of certified professionals, leaders, partners and the public.
• Continuing Competency: Encourage continuing competency of the profession through examinations, education, and professional development.
• Collaboration: Maintain a position of credibility through partner recognition, strategic alliances, and endorsement of the certification programs.
• Diversity: Foster development of a diverse community of highly skilled heart rhythm professionals and work to advance heart rhythm management as a global multidisciplinary standard.
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT
Charles J. Love, MD, FACC, FHRS, FAHA, CCDS

Dear Heart Rhythm Professional,

Obtaining certification is not a onetime feat, but rather a continuing process that represents an investment in your education and long-term career. A certification credential provides value to you, and is a benchmark of success for employers and their organization by serving as an indicator of the high quality of their staff.

The International Board of Heart Rhythm Examiners (IBHRE) is uniquely positioned to measure competency of heart rhythm management professionals who are the core providers of care and management for patients with heart rhythm disorders. The landscape of heart rhythm management is a dynamic, fast-paced environment that is continuously evolving. This creates many changes not only in the knowledge required to competently provide patient care, but also in the roles filled by physicians and allied professionals. These changes have led to a growing demand for credentialing and enhanced leadership in health care facilities. To keep up with the changing environment, having a standard of competency for health care professionals is more critical than ever before.

Certification raises professional standards and improves the practice of physicians and allied professionals in their profession. It is a pathway to demonstrate core competency, as well as to gain and improve upon the critical knowledge that is required of our specialty. The upcoming push to certify electrophysiology labs will require that the staff of the labs be certified. By obtaining IBHRE certification, you are already prepared for this coming challenge.

To align with the continued changes to the profession, IBHRE as an organization has made a concerted effort to continue to improve its practices and procedures. In 2013, we successfully implemented an extensive leadership recruitment campaign which resulted in several outstanding new additions to the IBHRE Board, Test Writing Committees, the new Content Experts Committee, and the IBHRE Ambassadors group. IBHRE launched several new initiatives to enhance the brand image of the organization. These resources include a new website, career-center, and bi-annual newsletter.

IBHRE’s continued success is a result of the support of leadership, employers and, most importantly, you, our IBHRE certified specialists who through your unyielding pursuit of excellence, continue to advance both the practice and the profession of heart rhythm management.

Charles J. Love, MD

2013 IBHRE YEAR END REPORT
Why we do what we do – For the Public, For Employers, For Heart Rhythm Professionals

Physicians, allied professionals, and their employers have a shared obligation to honor the public’s trust in assuring safe and effective care. IBHRE certification is an important indicator that a health care provider is qualified and competent in his or her specialty and has successfully met rigorous requirements to achieve the CCDS and CEPS credentials.

For the Public, IBHRE Certification is…
- An indication of quality, experience, and reassurance of their health care provider’s competence.
- Assurance to patients that their health care provider has met defined standards of practice.
- A means to communicate to health care providers the importance of consumers knowing the credentials of their caregivers.

For the Employer, IBHRE Certification is…
- A means to recruit and retain qualified heart rhythm professionals.
- Knowledge that their physicians and allied professionals have met rigorous national and international requirements.
- Confirmation that physicians and allied professionals are role models of professional accountability.
- A commitment to safety and quality in patient care through robust support of certification, continuing education, and recertification.
- A means to honor the public’s trust in assuring safe and effective care.

For the Heart Rhythm Professional, IBHRE Certification is…
- Validation of one’s qualification or practice in cardiac pacing and electrophysiology.
- Recognition of one’s achievement of an international standard beyond the scope of licensure.
- A successful measure of one’s knowledge based on predetermined standards in heart rhythm management.
- A demonstration of one’s commitment to his or her profession and to lifelong learning.

Through IBHRE certification, employers demonstrate to medical regulators and patients that they retain the most skilled and experienced professionals. Physicians and allied professionals position themselves for appropriate recognition, validation, and a keen sense of personal accomplishment.
EXAM ADMINISTRATION REPORT

Through computer-based testing, IBHRE successfully administered five exams in 2013:

> Japan Cardiac Rhythm Device Therapy Exam for the Allied Professional – January 19
> Cardiac Electrophysiology for the Allied Professional – April 10
> Cardiac Rhythm Device Therapy for the Physician – August 27
> Cardiac Rhythm Device Therapy for the Allied Professional – August 29
> Cardiac Electrophysiology for the Physician – December 4

The 2013 IBHRE certification exam administrations yielded 776 new certified professionals across five exam administrations. A total of 1,174 individuals registered for IBHRE exams in the fiscal year 2013. The total number of international examinees (including those who took the allied professional exam administered in Japan) was 609, or about 52 percent. The overall pass rate across exam administrations was 71.4 percent.

2013 IBHRE Certification Exam Registration and Performance Statistics

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<th>Date</th>
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<td>CCDS–AP</td>
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<td>69%</td>
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<td>CEPS–MD</td>
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<td>44</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>5%</td>
<td>64%</td>
<td>93%</td>
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As of the end of fiscal year 2013, nearly 8,000 heart rhythm professionals are IBHRE certified in 53 countries worldwide.

Exam Security, Quality, and Validity

IBHRE’s test writing committees are comprised of distinguished leaders and experts in cardiac rhythm management who work year-round to write and thoroughly review exam questions. Their diligent efforts ensure that IBHRE continues to provide heart rhythm professionals with the training and advancement they need to deliver optimal patient care.

In conjunction with the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME) and Prometric, IBHRE’s exams are administered in an environment that offers as much convenience and security as possible. Prometric testing sites provide computer-based testing services for academic assessment, professional licensure, and certification. This not only helps enhance security, but also provides the same standards for comfort and uniformity for all examinees, regardless of whether they are testing in New York or New Delhi. The testing centers provide the resources necessary for secure administration of the examination, including video and audio monitoring and recording, and the use of digital cameras to record the identity of the examinees.
IBHRE GOVERNANCE RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN

IBHRE held 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 and the IBHRE Ambassadors.

The IBHRE Content Experts Committee is responsible for creating educational tools to align with IBHRE’s exam content outlines. The IBHRE Ambassadors serve as worldwide advocates by encouraging heart rhythm professionals to achieve the certification, mentoring prospective examinees, and representing IBHRE’s interest with designated external organizations.

During this recruitment campaign, IBHRE’s Governance & Nominations Task Force, headed by Bruce Wilkoff, MD, FHR, CCDS, worked with the Board of Directors to select and nominate those individuals whose expertise, exam performance, and involvement in heart rhythm management would best fit the needs of each group. As a result, long-standing members of the Test Writing Committees were chosen to fill vacancies on the IBHRE Board and new members who held exemplary qualifications were selected to serve on each committee.

The following new members were unanimously chosen to represent the organization:

**IBHRE Board of Directors**
- George Van Hare, MD, FHR, CCDS, CEPS
- Jay Gross, MD, CCDS
- Janet McComb, MD, FHR

**Pacing Test Writing Committee**
- Amin Al-Ahmad, MD, FHR, CCDS
- Linda K. Ottoboni, CNS, FHR, CCDS
- Ji-Hae Yun, RN, CCDS

**Allied EP Test Writing Committee**
- Melissa Harding, MPAS, PA-C, CCDS, CEPS
- Antonio Navarrete, MD, FHR, CCDS

**Physician EP Test Writing Committee**
- Deepak Bhakta, MD, FHR, CCDS
- Adelqui Peralta, MD, FHR, CCDS, CEPS
- Maully Shah, MBBS, FHR, CCDS, CEPS

**Content Experts Committee**
- Chair, Robert Hamilton, MD, CCDS
- Chair, Ottorino Costantini, MD
- Richard Clark, BA, CCDS
- Kathleen DeVaughn, BSN, CCDS
- Lauren Gaeta, BSBME, CCDS, CEPS
- David Hürlimann, MD, CCDS
- Hoong Sern Lim, MD, CCDS
- Deborah Lockwood, BCh, BM, MA, FHR, CCDS
- Sachin Nayar, BS, MB, MBBS, MD, CCDS, CEPS
- Jay Charles Reid, BS, BSN, RN, CCDS
- John Sanders, ACNRC, CEPS
- Courtney Schuten, BS, BSN, RN, CCDS, CEPS

**Ambassadors**
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- Ricardo A.D. Bernardo, RCPT, CEPS
- Mike A. Black, CVT, NREMTP, CEPS
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- Jennifer Busch, BSN, CEPS
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- Harlie L. Ferguson, AS, CEPS
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- Soottkeng Ma, MD, CCDS, CEPS
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- Laurie J. Newmark, RN, CCDS
- Jay Charles Reid, BS, BSN, RN, CCDS
- Robert Lee Williams, BS, CCDS
OUTREACH

IBHRE is grateful to the diverse group of subject matter experts who commit countless hours to the development of the exams and the improvement of IBHRE programs. The unparalleled knowledge of our experts is crucial to the role IBHRE exams take in defining the profession. Committee chairs and members who participated in item writing and reviews, translation, standard setting activities, key validation, and exam scoring over the course of the year have done outstanding work in positioning IBHRE certification as the number one platform for heart rhythm competency.

IBHRE also wishes to extend thanks to those individuals who have actively advocated for IBHRE certification this past year.

Christine Chiu-Man, MSC, FHRS, CCDS, CEPS; Melanie Gura, MSN, CNS, FHRS, FAHA, CCDS; Marleen Irwin, RRT, RT, FHR, CCDS represented IBHRE during the event, “Why should I be IBHRE certified?” held in the Allied Professionals Lounge during the Heart Rhythm Society’s Scientific Sessions in Denver, Colorado.

George Van Hare, MD, FHRS, CCDS, advocated for IBHRE’s Physician EP examination during the Pediatric and Congenital Electrophysiology Society (PACES) in conjunction with the announcement of the second group of IBHRE certified Pediatric Electrophysiologists.

Stephen Huang, MD, FACC, FAHA, FHRS, CCDS, reported on IBHRE’s activities, objectives, and goals while serving as HRS’ representative to Cardiovascular Credentialing International (CCI) during the CCI Board meeting in February 2013.

Finally, IBHRE wishes to thank its newly formed group of IBHRE Ambassadors, who hail from six countries and represent several types of certified professionals including physicians, nurses, clinicians, and industry groups. Ambassadors serve an essential role in advancing the IBHRE mission by encouraging heart rhythm professionals to achieve the certification, mentoring prospective examinees, and representing IBHRE’s interest with designated external organizations.
In support of continuing competency in heart rhythm management, IBHRE acknowledges that there are quality programs and products that would benefit exam candidates and certified professionals and is committed to evaluating these items. IBHRE systematically evaluates these products and programs in order to disseminate such resources to the appropriate audience. Further, IBHRE’s support of educational programs and products is an important professional development strategy for the organization. Endorsements must meet IBHRE policy requirements and should be in the best interests of IBHRE and its stakeholders.

For examinees and certified professionals, endorsed partners provide access to live trainings, online educational programs, exam preparation materials, and fulfills Maintenance of Certification requirements. For providers, endorsement benefits may include mass marketing to IBHRE stakeholders, use of IBHRE promotional branding, and features on the IBHRE website.

The following programs or product types may seek IBHRE Endorsement:

- Educational resources including books, and other materials in digital or print
- Computer programs, apps, tools, or other electronic programs that inform or educate
- Live programs

To become endorsed by IBHRE, programs are required to complete and submit an IBHRE Endorsement Request Form. Prior to extending any product or program endorsement, IBHRE will conduct a three-step evaluation process, with the understanding that the product or program may be disqualified from further consideration at any step. The evaluation includes review by internal staff, by the appropriate IBHRE leadership, and finally by the IBHRE Board.

IBHRE currently endorses the following programs and products:

- Cardiac Device iTunes App for IBHRE Exam preparation
- PrepMD Review Courses for IBHRE Exam preparation
- Loma Linda Cardiac EP Certificate Program
- The Heart Rhythm Society’s Online IBHRE Self-Assessment Programs
QUALITY

IBHRE’s commitment to certification excellence is validated by continuous improvements to exam development, delivery, and administrative processes.

IBHRE is recognized by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) under ANSI/ISO/IEC 17024 for accreditation of three of its certification examinations. The ANSI institute oversees the creation, promulgation, and use of thousands of guidelines that directly impact businesses in nearly every sector. ANSI empowers its members and constituents to strengthen the U.S. marketplace position in the global economy while helping assure the safety and health of consumers and the protection of the environment.

In June 2013, IBHRE received approval on its third annual surveillance report to the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), confirming that IBHRE has continued to operate in conformity with ANSI requirements since acquiring accreditation. Accredited certification examinations include:

- Competency in Cardiac Rhythm Device Therapy for the Physician
- Competency in Cardiac Rhythm Device Therapy for the Allied Professional
- Competency in Cardiac Electrophysiology for the Allied Professional

ANSI accreditation is an unmatched achievement that speaks to the quality and efficacy of the IBHRE certification programs. IBHRE’s ongoing commitment to the mission of this organization has been essential to achieving this high honor.

Policy Audit

In 2013, IBHRE conducted an extensive policy audit to clarify and streamline its existing policies. This is in accordance with IBHRE’s surveillance requirements to maintain its accreditation status with the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

The most notable changes involved updating the Maintenance of Certification (MOC) and Recertification Policy. Previously referred to as Professional Development Activities, IBHRE’s MOC requirements have been streamlined to clarify the MOC submission dates and applicable activities. An MOC online submission form is in development, and is scheduled to launch in early 2014.

All policies have been appropriately dated at the bottom of each respective policy, and can be viewed on the IBHRE website.

Internal Management Audit

IBHRE conducted its fourth annual internal management audit following the end of the 2013 Fiscal Year to ensure ongoing compliance with American National Standards Institute accreditation standards. The annual audit is expected to provide a report of factual findings concerning the adequacy and effectiveness of the IBHRE management system. The audit assures that organizational policies and procedures are adequate and functioning in a manner that ensures:

- Compliance with organizational policies, accreditation standards, and applicable laws and regulations
- Accurate, reliable, and timely maintenance of financial, managerial, and operating information
- Relationships between management, leadership, contractors, and stakeholders are functional and contribute to the vitality of the organization
- Organizational resources are acquired economically, used efficiently and adequately protected
- Commitment to ongoing improvement in quality control
- Swift identification and corrective action to non-conformities

The findings of the 2013 self-assessment were largely positive with no observations of non-conformities with IBHRE policies and procedures. The internal management audit exercise served as a strong indicator of corrective and preventative actions that have been taken to fortify policies, processes, and procedures in order to maintain best practice with certification standards.
YEAR-END SURVEYS

Pursuant to its Annual Survey Policy and in accordance with ANSI accreditation standards, IBHRE administered its 2013 annual year-end survey for IBHRE certified professionals and employers in January 2014. According to the policy, IBHRE is responsible for administering an annual survey of IBHRE certified professionals and employers for the purpose of evaluating the quality, effectiveness, and relevance of its programs and activities. Data collected from the annual survey is evaluated to measure compliance with IBHRE rules and requirements, in addition to identifying trends in the professional activities of certified professionals. The survey is distributed to two primary groups: current IBHRE certified professionals and identified employers of IBHRE certified professionals.

For the 2013 Survey, IBHRE received responses from 332 certified professionals. The results of the survey provided general insight into the perceived value of the IBHRE credential in the field, the overall awareness among certified professionals of IBHRE recertification requirements, and what educational pathways were taken by prospective examinees.

The results data strongly indicates that allied professionals appear to benefit the most from IBHRE certification compared to their physician counterparts. These benefits include personal and professional satisfaction, pay increases, and increased responsibility. The greatest benefits cited by physicians include recognition by colleagues, personal satisfaction, and utilizing IBHRE certification as a pathway towards FHR5 status. A majority of all certified professionals believe that IBHRE certification has helped them grow as practitioners and has validated their professional knowledge and proficiency. Constructive feedback included concerns about certification costs, recertification requirements, and the need for more exam preparation tools. Overall, the data collected in the Annual Survey validates the notion that IBHRE credentials are highly valued by those who hold them. The quality of the responses provided by survey participants implicitly suggests that IBHRE certified professionals are generally engaged in maintaining their certification and are typically proud of the accomplishment of passing the exam.

A survey conducted by IBHRE reports that organizations and hospitals recognize a higher level of performance from staff who are IBHRE certified. IBHRE certified professionals report a higher sense of personal satisfaction, proficiency, increased salary, and an increased level of confidence in their interactions with colleagues.
NEW WEBSITE

In 2013, IBHRE formally launched its new website at www.ibhre.org. IBHRE’s intent was to create a more robust and streamlined experience for web users which was accomplished by cross-referencing with the Heart Rhythm Society’s current website platform, eZ Publish. The new website contains extensive cosmetic updates and allows users to easily access information on exams, preparation, international partnerships, and our certifications.

New features include the IBHRE Marketplace, where people can share their story, shop for IBHRE branded gear, and access promotional resources. These resources show the value of IBHRE certification, what to do after acquiring certification, as well as how to educate patients about the IBHRE credential. A useful tool is the Justification Toolkit which is used by professionals seeking IBHRE certification to inform their organization on why IBHRE certification is valuable to the profession and for gaining sponsorship support from their employer.

Also in the Marketplace is information about IBHRE Ambassadors. Visitors on the website can see if there is an IBHRE Ambassador located near them and IBHRE Ambassadors can download various resources and presentations from the website to use during professional engagements.

The website features an informative section about IBHRE Certification which provides facts on the value of certification, maintenance of certification, recertification, and list of current IBHRE recipients. The Exam Information section provides instructions and information for professionals interested in obtaining certification. There are sections for the Physician and Allied Professional Exams, how exams are scheduled and scored, a comprehensive look at IBHRE statistics, and easy to access Frequently Asked Questions section.

IBHRE’s innovative Calendar Spotlight allows users to easily view important exam registration dates and upcoming IBHRE events and endorsed programs. The new IBHRE Endorsed Programs and Products section aims to fulfill IBHRE’s mission of improving knowledge creation and dissemination to examinees. Interested providers have access to the policy and application to submit their program or product.

IBHRE’s online Career Center allows employers to post jobs geared towards IBHRE certified professionals. This platform permits IBHRE certified professionals to post their resume and search for jobs. IBHRE is now connected through social network via Facebook and LinkedIn so that heart rhythm professionals can interact with IBHRE staff, other examinees, and certified professionals.
HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY COLLABORATIONS

Working together to standardize the profession, IBHRE and the Heart Rhythm Society provide the most current testing and professional development tools with advances in heart rhythm management to enhance knowledge and delivery of health care to patients.

The Heart Rhythm Society (HRS) is the universally recognized leader for heart rhythm disorders and is leading a coalition of clinicians, scientists, industry, and government. Patients with heart rhythm disorders, as well as the health care professionals who treat them, recognize and use the Society as the primary source for current information and connection with others. Participation in the exam is consistent with the Heart Rhythm Society’s overall purpose to improve the care of patients by promoting research, education, and optimal health care policies and standards.

Several events designed to promote further awareness of IBHRE programs were held in conjunction with the Heart Rhythm Society’s 34th Annual Scientific Sessions in Denver, Colorado.

On Thursday, May 9, IBHRE Test Writing Committee members engaged in a meet-and-greet session with attendees interested in networking with the leaders of IBHRE 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.

Throughout the Scientific Sessions, IBHRE promoted its free annual raffle to win a complimentary registration for the IBHRE certification exam. Every year, IBHRE presents two winning heart rhythm professionals with a complimentary registration. With this event, IBHRE can make way for qualified health care professionals to obtain the certification. For 2013, the winners were from Edward Hospital and Health Services in Naperville, Illinois, and from Helsinki University Central Hospital in Finland.

An IBHRE booth was present at Heart Rhythm Place in the Exhibit Hall. The booth received a high volume of traffic from both current and prospective certified professionals. IBHRE featured the exam brochure, candidate bulletin, recertification guidelines, free giveaways, and assorted certification recipient paraphernalia.
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The independent financial auditor’s review of the IBHRE Fiscal Year 2013 financial statements was conducted by Rogers & Company, the accounting firm contracted through the Heart Rhythm Society (HRS). IBHRE’s audit was satisfactorily completed confirming that financial reports and accounting systems are an accurate representation of IBHRE’s financial position on September 30, 2013 (fiscal year-end date).

As the management company of the IBHRE, the Heart Rhythm Society continues to manage all of the organization’s finances. Internal functions necessary to carry-out IBHRE’s strategic agenda are contracted through HRS and performed by employees of HRS. These company management costs amounted to $101,224 in fiscal year 2013. $1,134,299 was earned from exam registration fees with an additional $33,000 from interest and dividends. Program and operational expenses totaled $958,586. By 2013 fiscal year end, IBHRE investments consisting of money market funds and equity securities totaled $1,366,530.
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