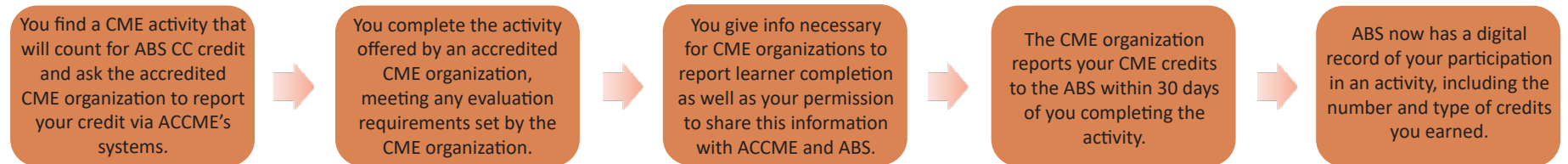




What's new?

- The Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education ([ACCME](#)®) and the American Board of Surgery ([ABS](#)) have collaborated to expand opportunities for you to earn credit towards your Continuous Certification (CC) requirements for the CME activities in which you are already participating.
- The societies, hospitals, and other organizations who provide CME for surgeons can report your credit through ACCME directly to the ABS.
- ABS directly receives details of your participation from the ACCME. *You should not self-report CME credit that is reported by the CME provider.*

What do I do?



How can I find CME activities that will count towards my ABS CC requirements?

- ABS diplomates can use the [CME Passport](#) to search for relevant activities that have already been registered by CME organizations and will count towards your ABS CC requirements.
- CME credit acceptable for ABS CC must be AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ obtained from CME providers accredited in the ACCME System or providers accredited by Joint Accreditation for Interprofessional Continuing Education™.
- Activities that count towards ABS CC requirements will include a statement to that effect.

What if the CME activity is not registered for ABS CC?

- If you engage in a CME activity that you would like counted towards your ABS CC requirements, ask the educational provider offering the CME activity to report your credit to ACCME.
- If the CME provider has questions about how to report your CME credit for ABS CC, please direct them to the ACCME (info@accme.org) and ACCME staff can walk them through the process.
- Physician interest and encouragement can be the best way to help drive CME organizations to expand CME activity offerings.

What Information do I need to give to CME providers?

- For CME organizations to report your activity completion information to the ABS, you need to provide three pieces of information: your **First Name**, **Last Name**, and **Date of Birth** (MM/DD only). *Note: If you know your ABS ID#, you may be asked to provide this as well.*
- You will need to give the CME organization your permission to submit your participation data on your behalf to the ABS.
- If you are unsure of the exact steps to claim CME credit for ABS CC, reach out to the accredited CME organization