

American Board of Urology Privacy Statement

Introduction

In the course of examination processes for certification, recertification, and maintenance of certification, the American Board of Urology (ABU) must collect personal information from its Diplomates and candidates. The ABU recognizes and respects the importance of maintaining the privacy of its Diplomates and candidates and has developed this Privacy Policy as a result.

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Upon certification, the ABU provides a Diplomate's name, certification status, mailing address, telephone number, and last four digits of the social security number to the ABMS, which publishes *The Official ABMS Directory of Board Certified Medical Specialists*. ABU Diplomates are requested to communicate directly with the ABMS regarding the personal information they wish to include in the directory.

Protection of Personal Information

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