ABMS International to Participate in Association for Medical Education in Europe Exhibition and Conference

Representatives from the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) and ABMS International (ABMS-I) will present pre-conference workshops on assessment topics at the Association for Medical Education in Europe (AMEE) Exhibition and Conference in Barcelona Spain, August 27-31, 2016. ABMS also is exhibiting at the conference, Booth N27.

Kathy Holtzman, ABMS-I Director of Assessment and International Operations and David B. Swanson, PhD, ABMS Vice President, Academic Programs and Services will participate as facilitators for the Essential Skills in Medical Education Assessment course, which provides an introduction to the fundamental principles of assessments including test design, blueprinting, item writing, and standard writing.

Ms. Holtzman is joined by Krista Allbee, ABMS-I Vice President, International Programs for a workshop on Assessing Professionalism with MCQs. Participants will consider appropriate content for assessment from a global and cultural perspective. They also will share/generate ideas for development of realistic scenarios/dilemmas that can be used as stimulus in traditional MCQ format or with more innovative formats that include video/multimedia.

Dr. Swanson also will conduct a workshop on the Use of Generalizability Theory in Designing and Analyzing Performance-Based Tests where he will provide an explanation of g-theory and its advantages over classical test theory, including statistical procedures and software for conducting generalizability analyses.

At the ABMS Booth N27, attendees can learn ways to enhance their medical specialty assessment and certification programs for physicians by leveraging the expertise of the ABMS Member Boards and the standards of the ACGME and ABMS to evaluate the knowledge and skills necessary for physician in specialty practice.

About ABMS and ABMS-I

The American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) is the leading organization overseeing physician certification in the United States. ABMS establishes the standards used to evaluate, assess, and certify physician specialists. ABMS International (ABMS-I) leverages this expertise globally to assist others in enhancing their physician certification and assessment programs.