

ABMS/ACGME/IOM CORE COMPETENCIES

- 1. **Interpersonal and Communication Skills**: Demonstrate skills that result in effective information exchange and teaming with patients, their families and professional associates (e.g. fostering a therapeutic relationship that is ethically sound, uses effective listening skills with non-verbal and verbal communication; working as both a team member and at times as a leader).
- 2. **Medical Knowledge**: Demonstrate knowledge about established and evolving biomedical, clinical, and cognate sciences and their application in patient care.
- 3. Patient Care and Procedural Skills: Provide care that is compassionate, appropriate, and effective treatment for health problems and to promote health.
- 4. **Practice-Based Learning and Improvement**: Show an ability to investigate and evaluate patient care practices, appraise and assimilate scientific evidence, and improve the practice of medicine.
- 5. **Professionalism**: Demonstrate a commitment to carrying out professional responsibilities, adherence to ethical principles and sensitivity to diverse patient populations.
- 6. **Systems-Based Practice**: Demonstrate awareness of and responsibility to the larger context and systems of health care. Be able to call on system resources to provide optimal care (e.g. coordinating care across sites or serving as the primary case manager when care involves multiple specialties, professions or sites).
- 7. Apply Quality Improvement: Identify errors and hazards in care; understand and implement basic safety design principles, such as standardization and simplification; continually understand and measure quality of care in terms of structure, process, and outcomes in relation to patient and community needs; and design and test interventions to change processes and systems of care, with the objective of improving quality.
- 8. Employ Evidence-Based Practice: Integrate best research with clinical expertise and patient values for optimum care, and participate in learning and research activities to the extent feasible.
- 9. **Provide Patient-Centered Care**: Identify, respect, and care about patients' differences, values, preferences, and expressed needs; listen to, clearly inform, communicate with, and educate patients; share decision making and management; and continuously advocate disease prevention, wellness, and promotion of healthy lifestyles, including a focus on population health.
- 10. **Utilize Informatics**: Communicate, manage knowledge, mitigate error, and support decision making using information technology.
- 11. **Work in Interdisciplinary Teams:** Cooperate, collaborate, communicate, and integrate care in teams to ensure that care is continuous and reliable.