



National Certification:

- The National Certification Application and Recertification Application are not available after 12/31/2012.
- If you currently hold a National Certification credential, NCTM or NCTMB, it will remain valid until your expiration date.

You have the following choices based on your expiration date:

- **I expire in 2013/2014:**

1. Transition into the new Board Certification by completing the "Transition into Board Certification" Application by your expiration date.
2. Pay the Transition to Board Certification fee of \$85.00.
3. You would be Board Certified for an additional 2 years from your current expiration date. This begins your 2 year Board Recertification period.

- **I expire in 2015/2016:**

You have two options: *(You do not have to do anything now)*

1. **Wait** until your expiration date and "transition" into the new Board Certification. You must meet the Board Certification Requirements at that time. Pay the transition to Board Certification fee of \$85.00.
2. **Upgrade** into the new Board Certification at any time once you meet the requirements. To do this you will need to:
 - Complete the "Upgrade into Board Certification" Application
 - The Upgrade to Board Certification fee is \$25.00
 - You will keep your current 2015/2016 expiration dates.
 - This begins your 2 year Board Recertification period.

The Board Certification requirements are:

- **Pass a National Background Check** (Cost included in Fee)
- **750 hours of total education**
 - This can be a combination of schooling from an NCBTMB Assigned School, NCBTMB Approved Provider or an Accredited College/University. This includes your core massage therapy program and any subsequently completed continuing education hours.
- **250 hours of work experience**
 - Only 25 of the 250 can be volunteer work
 - Complete 250 hours of professional hands-on experience over no less than six months from graduation.
- **Maintain a CPR certification**