



## Explanation of Subspecialty Program Performance Reports

In January of each year, the ABPath will provide each program with a performance report, which includes examination data from the previous seven years. To access the report, sign into PATHway using your program's login information and view the Reports tab.

Overall board pass rates are available in the Winter Edition of the ABPath Newsletter, <https://abpath.org/newsletters/>.

The report contains four tables. The full table descriptions are below.

- 1. Table 1 - Program Data**
- 2. Table 2 - Program Performance**
- 3. Table 3 - Fellows**
- 4. Table 4 - ACGME Table;** it is the only table shared with the ACGME Review Committee for Pathology.

### Key Points:

- The data reported in the tables is designed to reflect how fellows and your program performed on the certification examination as a whole compared to other programs.
- This information is obtained from the individual candidate applications.
- It is important that all training information reported on the fellow's application is correct.
  - Fellowship Program Directors do not have access to review the application.
  - The Fellow's training will be reflected on the evaluation form.
- When the Program Performance Report is posted, please review the report carefully.
- If the data is incorrect on the Program Performance Report, it is possible the data the candidate provided on the application is incorrect.
- Please email discrepancies to [mary@abpath.org](mailto:mary@abpath.org), include your name and the program name.
- **Please note discrepancies must be reported no later than February 28.**

**Table 1** - The Program Data table includes results for first-time exam takers and repeat graduates from your program and provides cumulative data on fellow performance on the certification examinations in the previous seven years.

**Table 2** - The Program Performance table indicates your program's performance on the examination in relationship to that of all fellows from all programs. The assessment is divided into the upper, middle, and lower tri-tiles of performance of all fellows taking the examination and implies your program's strengths and weaknesses in the major content areas of the examination.

**Table 3** - The Fellows Table includes examination performance histories for each fellow during the same seven-year period that completed your program.

**Table 4** – ACGME Table- Aggregate data are calculated from data of graduates from your program during the indicated seven-year window.

- # Initial: reports the numbers of fellows who completed your program that were exam first-time takers, respectively.
- # Repeaters: reports the number of fellows who failed on previous attempts.
- # Certified: reports the number of fellows who completed your program and were certified.
- # Initial Certified: reports the number of fellows who completed your program and were certified after taking an examination for the first time.