NBPTS Awareness Resources

Welcome to this series of podcasts, scripts, and handouts for you to jumpstart into the National Board Renewal process. The podcasts and materials were designed to support you to learn about Renewal through the NBPTS materials and begin to use the Profile of Professional Growth called the PPG, Evaluation Rubrics, and Standards to make decisions to prepare the PPG to submit for Renewal.

This first podcast outlines the NBPTS resources available to help you understand the logistics for the Renewal process. Subsequent podcasts will help you to go deeper into the structure and requirements of the PPG so you may begin to brainstorm and plan for what you will develop. You will need to allocate time to review these podcasts and to participate in activities to begin the process.

First begin to learn about the logistics of the NBPTS Renewal process. National Board offers resources to NBCTs to learn about Renewal. The NBPTS website at [www.nbpts.com](http://www.nbpts.com) includes the following sources:

- Video of NBCT Comments on Renewal
- Ideas about how to Reflect on Your Practice
- The Renewal Requirements
- Links to the Renewal Application
- Information about the Renewal Application Window
- Information about the Renewal Refunds and Withdrawal

After you review these NBPTS resources and begin to plan for your Renewal, you may have questions. You may find some immediate answers by reading the following NBPTS publications about Renewal found on the National Board website.

1. First you may begin with the 4-page *Q and A* document to help you find information about an overview of Renewal; why Renewal is important; if and when are you eligible to renew; what is required in the Renewal process including Components One, Two, and Three; and what are the fees and timetable for the Renewal process.

2. Another helpful document is *Renewal at a Glance*—a 5-page document to share information about choosing to renew your certificate, building your Profile of Professional Growth (PPG), understanding how your PPG is evaluated, essential guidelines, and continuing your journey with National Board Certification.

3. The Renewal *Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)* on the NBPTS website share information about general inquiries, the Profile of Professional Growth called the PPG, renewal eligibility, and renewal policies and fees.

4. The Certification Renewal Calendar is a chart that shows the date you initially certified the initial certificate expiration date, the renewal application window, the fee deadline, the submission deadline, and the decision date.

It is important to begin with the NBPTS website and review the materials to gain an understanding of the logistics and requirements for submitting the Profile of Professional Growth for Renewal. Once you have read the information in these documents and have decided to participate in the Renewal process, you may continue to find support in these podcasts, scripts and handouts found at the NBRC at Illinois State University website. Subsequent podcasts will offer you the opportunity to get to know the PPG, and to learn about and begin to plan Components 1, 2, and 3 and the Reflection.