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Organization:	American Board of Medical Physics
Position Title:	AAPM representative to ABMP
Activity:	ABMP member started 1/1/2017, ends 12/31/2019.
Meeting Dates:	Jan-Dec 2017
Meeting Location:	Teleconference calls
Payment \$:	TBD
Reasons for Attending or not Attending	To fulfill Board member responsibility of participating in the Board meetings
Issues from Previous Meetings or Year:	<p>The American Board of Medical Physics (ABMP) meets twice a year by teleconference calls, one of those is also face-to-face during the annual AAPM meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3/17: There is a proposal to create an Emeritus status for ABMP diplomates. • 3/17: The ABMP web site will be updated. • 3/17: The number of current ABMP diplomates- 420, renewal from last calendar year- 80, number of new diplomates- 11. There currently is a 20% increase in certification renewal each year. We lost 10 diplomates in 2016 yet gained 11 diplomates. • 6/17: The ABMP must have its fourth quarter BoD meeting before November 1 each year. • 7/17: A discussion regarding the change in ABR requirements to become a QMP creating a possible need for limited certifications that would not challenge ABR requirements. Example: Graduating Medical Physics students that cannot enter a residency become a MPA and work under the guidance of a QMP, could benefit from additional subspecialty training. A coherent view is being developing by the Adhoc and will be brought back to theBOD. The Adhoc committee membership will also include Amir Huda, Dimitris Mihailidis, and Xiaohong Joe Zhou.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7/17: Establishing an RSO eligible designation on the ABMP Certificate must align with the NRC / Agreement State requirements and regulatory language. • 10/17: Most of items above discussed again in oct 2018 conf call. • 11/17: Final call of the year, discussed pending issues as shown in this paragraph and under the Issues for AAPM paragraph.
General Description of Activities of the Organization and/or Meeting:	Provide oversight and management of board certification process, and to conduct certification examinations in Medical Health Physics, MRI and Nuclear Medicine physics.
Issues for AAPM:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3/17: The AAPM, ABMP, ABR, and CAMPEP met to discuss the limited residency programs available for medical physics graduates due to QMP shortage, alternatives to ABR path. The ABR was not in agreement that change was needed nor with the creation of a new certification process for CT imaging or other medical physicist subspecialties. AAPM backing of an ABMP initiative in subspecialty certification will be needed. The BOD will table the discussions regarding alternatives to ABR residency requirements for the time being. • 7/17: Invitation by CRCPD to be further involved with the CRCPD including program strategy, guideline review etc. Jerry Bushberg is coordinating the development of the ABMP – CRCPD relationship. The topic was tabled until the next BOD meeting. • 7/17/: To create an Adhoc committee to evaluate the feasibility of the ABMP writing exams for NY State medical physicists. • 11/17: A discussion regarding the change in ABR requirements to become a QMP creating a possible need for limited certifications that would not challenge ABR requirements. A coherent view is being developing by the Adhoc and will be brought back to the BOD. • 11/17: Membership to the BoD was discussed, as members are to rotate off, beginning 2018.
Budget Request (\$):	\$2,000 for 2018-2019