Practice Quality Improvement (PQI) is the final component of Maintenance of Certification (MOC) as required by the American Board of Radiology (ABR) and the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS). The first three components of MOC: professional standing, lifelong learning and self-assessment, and the cognitive exam are less ambiguous than the fourth component, PQI, which is meant to provide a pathway for diplomates to critically self-assess and improve clinical aspects of practice. The PQI process consists of six general steps: select a project and develop metrics, collect baseline data, review and analyze baseline data, implement an improvement plan, re-measure baseline data, and report participation to the ABR. There are two types of projects that meet the ABR/ABMS requirements: Type I, which are individually-based projects, developed and attested to by the diplomate; and Type II, which are an ABR endorsed, society-provided template. AAPM Task Group 127 (MOC) has developed a Type II template that has been submitted to the ABR for endorsement.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the steps required to successfully meet the PQI requirements of MOC.
2. Understand the differences between the two types of PQI projects and their essential components.
3. Review and understand the ABR submitted Type II template developed by TG-127.