



GENERAL ACUPUNCTURE

## Important Notice From NCCAOM to Former Diplomates

The National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM®) feels the need to impart this important information as it may affect former Diplomates' ability to return to full certification with the NCCAOM.

A major policy change for individuals in lapsed status will be implemented on January 1, 2013. Individuals that have been in lapsed status for more than 3 years will automatically terminate effective as of January 1, 2013. After this date all individuals in terminated status must reapply and take a reassessment exam.

In conjunction with the change in the timeline for individuals in lapsed status, Recertification Route 1 will also be eliminated on January 1, 2013. Diplomates in lapsed status should take advantage of this economical route to return to active status, which provides a viable solution to individuals lapsed for multiple years. Full details can be found in the NCCAOM® Recertification Handbook, available on the [NCCAOM website](#) by clicking on the "Forms" tab.

Visit the [NCCAOM website](#) frequently to keep abreast of changing policies and procedures which may occur. If you have any questions please contact NCCAOM customer service at [info@thenccaom.org](mailto:info@thenccaom.org) or call (904) 598-1005.

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