

Form **990**
 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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A For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2014 , and ending 12-31-2014

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES Doing business as Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 353 NORTH CLARK STREET NO 1400 City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code CHICAGO, IL 60654	D Employer identification number 41-0847713 E Telephone number (312) 436-2600 G Gross receipts \$ 18,595,910
F Name and address of principal officer LOIS MARGARET NORA MD J 353 NORTH CLARK STREET NO 1400 CHICAGO, IL 60654		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions) H(c) Group exemption number ▶
I Tax-exempt status <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c) (6) ◀ (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		
J Website: ▶ WWW ABMS ORG		
K Form of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		L Year of formation 1935 M State of legal domicile IL

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities THE MISSION OF THE AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES (ABMS) IS TO SERVE THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDICAL PROFESSION BY IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF HEALTH CARE THROUGH SETTING PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR LIFELONG CERTIFICATION IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MEMBER BOARDS <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>			
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets			
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	34	
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	33	
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2014 (Part V, line 2a)	5	91	
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	168	
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0	
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0	
Revenue		Prior Year	Current Year	
	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	0	0	
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	18,251,867	18,128,145	
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	355,528	430,771	
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	0	0	
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	18,607,395	18,558,916	
Expenses				
	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	1,887,000	1,338,000	
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0	
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	7,468,694	8,434,066	
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0	
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0			
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	7,441,177	8,723,487	
	18 Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	16,796,871	18,495,553	
	19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	1,810,524	63,363	
Net Assets or Fund Balances		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year	
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	22,128,632	22,460,249	
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	5,668,482	5,717,108	
	22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	16,460,150	16,743,141	

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here	***** Signature of officer LOIS MARGARET NORA MD JD MBA PRESIDENT & CEO Type or print name and title	
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name LU ANN TRAPP	Preparer's signature LU ANN TRAPP
	Firm's name ▶ PLANTE & MORAN PLLC	
	Firm's address ▶ 10 S RIVERSIDE PLAZA 9TH FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60606	

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

THE MISSION OF THE AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES (ABMS) IS TO SERVE THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDICAL PROFESSION BY IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF HEALTH CARE THROUGH SETTING PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR LIFE LONG CERTIFICATION IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MEMBER BOARDS

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
 ABMS IS A LEADER IN SETTING STANDARDS FOR BOARD CERTIFICATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION ACROSS 137 MEDICAL SPECIALTIES AND SUBSPECIALTIES ABMS ASSISTS ITS 24 MEMBER BOARDS IN THEIR EFFORTS TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR THE EVALUATION, ASSESSMENT AND CERTIFICATION OF PHYSICIAN SPECIALISTS IN THE US, ABMS MEMBER BOARDS CERTIFY MORE THAN 800,000 PHYSICIANS AND SCIENTISTS ABMS AND ITS SUBSIDIARY, ABMS SINGAPORE LLC (ABMS-S) JOINTLY DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN PHYSICIAN ASSESSMENT FOR MEDICAL SPECIALISTS PRACTICING IN SINGAPORE



















4b (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
 ABMS COMMUNICATES INFORMATION ABOUT BOARD CERTIFICATION, MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION, AND THEIR RELATED STANDARDS TO MEMBER BOARDS, PHYSICIAN DIPLOMATES, MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS AND ORGANIZATIONS THESE COMMUNICATIONS ADDRESS THE VALUE OF ABMS BOARD CERTIFICATION AS A STRUCTURED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK FOR PHYSICIANS AND AS A MARKER OF TRUST FOR THE PATIENTS AND THE PUBLIC

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
 AMBS DEVELOPS AND PROVIDES PRODUCTS AND SERVICES FOR VERIFYING THE BOARD CERTIFICATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION (MOC) OF PHYSICIANS IN THE UNITED STATES TO A VARIETY OF ORGANIZATIONS ADDITIONALLY, THE PUBLIC CAN SEARCH THE ABMS DATABASE FREE OF CHARGE AT THE ABMS WEBSITE








4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
 (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

		Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>		No
2	Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)?		No
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i> 		No
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i> 	Yes	
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i> 		No
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i> 		No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i> 		No
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i> 		No
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i> 		No
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i> 	Yes	
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i> 		No
c	Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i> 		No
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i> 	Yes	
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> 	Yes	
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> 	Yes	
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i> 		No
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i> 	Yes	
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		No
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i> 	Yes	
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i> 		No
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i> 		No
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i> (see instructions)		No
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		No
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		No
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(continued)*

21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i> . . . 	21	Yes	
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i> . . . 	22		No
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i> . . . 	23	Yes	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i> . . .	24a		No
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? . . .	24b		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds? . . .	24c		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? . . .	24d		
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> . . .	25a		
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> . . .	25b		
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i> . . .	26		No
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i> . . .	27		No
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)			
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> . . .	28a		No
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> . . .	28b		No
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> . . .	28c		No
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> . . .	29		No
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> . . .	30		No
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i> . . .	31		No
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i> . . .	32		No
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i> . . . 	33	Yes	
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i> . . . 	34	Yes	
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a	Yes	
b If 'Yes' to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> . . . 	35b	Yes	
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> . . .	36		
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i> 	37		No
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O . . .	38	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

Main form area containing questions 1a through 14b and corresponding Yes/No columns.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a (34), 1b (33), 2 (No), 3 (No), 4 (No), 5 (No), 6 (Yes), 7a (Yes), 7b (Yes), 8a (Yes), 8b (Yes), 9 (No).

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a (No), 10b, 11a (Yes), 12a (Yes), 12b (Yes), 12c (Yes), 13 (No), 14 (Yes), 15a (Yes), 15b (Yes), 16a (No), 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c) (3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. [] Own website [] Another's website [X] Upon request [] Other (explain in Schedule O)
19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records. LAURA SKARNULIS

353 NORTH CLARK STREET STE 1400 CHICAGO, IL 60654 (312) 436-2694

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid

- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any See instructions for definition of "key employee "

- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations

- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

List persons in the following order individual trustees or directors, institutional trustees, officers, key employees, highest compensated employees, and former such persons

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			

1b	Sub-Total			
c	Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A			
d	Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	3,520,930	0	393,628

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **31**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	Yes	
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	Yes	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP PO BOX 75647 CHICAGO, IL 60675	CONSULTING	687,255
ECG MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS 3624 MARKET ST PHILADELPHIA, PA 19101	CONSULTING	512,547
PUBLIC COMMUNICATION INC ONE E WACKER DR SUITE 2450 CHICAGO, IL 60601	CONSULTING	332,622
JOHNSON AND BELL 33 W MONROE SUITE 2700 CHICAGO, IL 60603	LEGAL	232,229
KOYA LEADERSHIP PARTNERS 44 MERRIMAC ST 2ND FLOOR NEWBURYPORT, MA 01950	CONSULTING	175,167

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **16**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)		
			Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514		
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a	Federated campaigns 1a						
	b	Membership dues 1b						
	c	Fundraising events 1c						
	d	Related organizations 1d						
	e	Government grants (contributions) 1e						
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above 1f						
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$						
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f						
Program Service Revenue	2a	DUES	900099	7,340,867	7,340,867			
	b	INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATION REVENUE	900099	5,034,433	5,034,433			
	c	SUBSCRIPTIONS	900099	3,469,401	3,469,401			
	d	LICENSE FEES	900099	2,283,444		2,283,444		
	e							
	f	All other program service revenue						
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		18,128,145				
	Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		425,190		425,190	
4		Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
5		Royalties						
6a		Gross rents	(i) Real					
			(ii) Personal					
			b	Less rental expenses				
			c	Rental income or (loss)				
d		Net rental income or (loss)						
7a		Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities					
			(ii) Other		42,575			
			b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses		36,994		
			c	Gain or (loss)		5,581		
d		Net gain or (loss)		5,581		5,581		
8a		Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a					
b		Less direct expenses b						
c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events							
9a	Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a						
b	Less direct expenses b							
c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a						
		b	Less cost of goods sold b					
		c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory					
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code						
11a								
b								
c								
d	All other revenue							
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d							
12	Total revenue. See Instructions		18,558,916	15,844,701	0	2,714,215		

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A)

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	1,338,000			
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	2,034,554			
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7	Other salaries and wages	4,993,516			
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	271,793			
9	Other employee benefits	669,683			
10	Payroll taxes	464,520			
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management				
b	Legal	291,764			
c	Accounting	55,644			
d	Lobbying	61,100			
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees	56,168			
g	Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	3,111,785			
12	Advertising and promotion	416,815			
13	Office expenses	395,677			
14	Information technology	487,545			
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy	833,108			
17	Travel	608,080			
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	1,415,195			
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	275,813			
23	Insurance	177,061			
24	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O)				
a	TAXES	580,947			
b	RECRUITMENT	144,085			
c	OVERHEAD ALLOCATIONS	-207,949			
d					
e	All other expenses	20,649			
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	18,495,553			
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash-non-interest-bearing		1	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	5,226,520	2	4,130,933
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	3,088,796	4	2,848,147
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L			5
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L			6
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	369,624	9	471,977
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	2,754,823		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	1,824,948	324,135	10c
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	10,014,656	11	11,643,339
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11	3,104,901	15	2,435,978
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	22,128,632	16	22,460,249	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,584,410	17	2,329,264
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	2,243,490	19	2,147,757
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D	840,582	25	1,240,087
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	5,668,482	26	5,717,108
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	16,460,150	27	16,743,141
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	16,460,150	33	16,743,141	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	22,128,632	34	22,460,249	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	18,558,916
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	18,495,553
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	63,363
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	16,460,150
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	219,628
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	16,743,141

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
2c	If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
3b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 41-0847713
Name: AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) VALERIE M PARISI MD MPH MBA CHAIR	4 00 0 50	X		X				25,000	0	0
(1) THOMAS E NORRIS MD IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIR	4 00 0 50	X		X				6,250	0	0
(2) JOHN G CLARKSON MD SECRETARY-TREASURER	4 00 0 50	X		X				0	0	0
(3) LOIS MARGARET NORA MD JD MBA PRESIDENT & CEO	46 00 4 00	X		X				717,426	0	45,579
(4) JOHN MOORHEAD MD CHAIR ELECT	4 00 0 50	X		X				18,750	0	0
(5) PAMELA J BOYERS MA PHD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(6) SUSAN DENTZER MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(7) THOMAS W HESS JD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(8) EVE KURTIN PHARM D MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(9) JAMES G LIFTON MBA MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(10) MARGARET E O'KANE MHS MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(11) GARY J BECKER MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(12) MIRIAM BLITZER PHD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(13) JO BUYSKE MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(14) MICHAEL L CARIUS MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(15) DANIEL J COLE MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(16) KIRK FREY MD PHD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(17) LARRY C GILSTRAP MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(18) LARRY A GREEN MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(19) ANNE-MARIE IRANI MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(20) REBECCA L JOHNSON MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(21) GERALD H JORDAN MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(22) DENECE O KESLER MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(23) LYNN O LANGDON MS MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(24) JOHN E MAYER JR MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0

Form 990, Part VII - Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(26) GAIL MCGUINNESS MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(1) STANLEY J MILLER MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(2) ROBERT H MILLER MD MBA MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(3) R BARRETT NOONE MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(4) TAE SUNG PARK MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(5) TERRANCE D PEABODY MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(6) BARBARA S SCHNEIDMAN MD MPH MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(7) DAVID J SCHOETZ JR MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(8) BARRY S SMITH MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(9) DAVID J WILSON MD MEMBER	1 00 0 10	X						0	0	0
(10) LAURA SKARNULIS COO	46 00 4 00			X				312,291	0	51,927
(11) LISA WASSERMAN CFO (1/1 - 7/31)	46 00 4 00			X				212,144	0	19,315
(12) YOLANDA DANIEL CFO (10/1 - 12/31)	46 00 4 00			X				57,864	0	5,822
(13) JOHN MANDELBAUM CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER	46 00 4 00				X			246,908	0	47,252
(14) KATHLEEN RUFF CHIEF OF STAFF	46 00 4 00				X			238,849	0	32,586
(15) JENNIFER MICHAEL CIO	46 00 4 00				X			211,000	0	17,050
(16) MIRA IRONS SVP ACADEMIC AFFAIRS	46 00 4 00					X		321,492	0	41,953
(17) THOMAS GRANATIR SVP POLICY & EXT RELATION	46 00 4 00					X		234,450	0	45,840
(18) RICHARD WATERS VP MARKETING & COMMUNICAITONS	46 00 4 00					X		192,500	0	14,356
(19) KRISTA ALLBEE VP INTERNATIONAL PROG	46 00 4 00					X		190,846	0	31,884
(20) CAROL CLOTHIER VP PUBLIC AFFAIRS	46 00 4 00					X		183,358	0	26,049
(21) STEPHEN H MILLER FORMER CEO	0 00 0 00						X	185,909	0	0
(22) MELICIA POWWELS FORMER VP ACADEMIC PROGRAMS	0 00 0 00						X	165,893	0	14,015

SCHEDULE C (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

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For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

Complete if the organization is described below. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

Table with 2 columns: Name of the organization (AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES) and Employer identification number (41-0847713)

Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV
2 Political expenditures \$
3 Volunteer hours

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 \$
2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 \$
3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
4a Was a correction made? Yes No
b If "Yes," describe in Part IV

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities \$
2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities \$
3 Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b \$
4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? Yes No
5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name, (b) Address, (c) EIN, (d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds, (e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A** Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)
- B** Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures														
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns														
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If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:														
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000														
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Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-														
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-														
j	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No													

4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
<i>For each "Yes" response to lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.</i>			
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities?			
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	No
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	No
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3 Yes	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	7,274,000
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	61,100
b Carryover from last year	2b	5,696
c Total	2c	66,796
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	61,102
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	5,694
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, Part II-A (affiliated group list), Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions), and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No 1545-0047

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. Attach to Form 990.

Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES

Employer identification number 41-0847713

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 1 Total number at end of year, 2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year), 3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year), 4 Aggregate value at end of year, 5 Did the organization inform all donors...?, 6 Did the organization inform all grantees...?

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Table with 2 columns: Description, Held at the End of the Year. Rows include: 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements, 2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution..., 3 Number of conservation easements modified..., 4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located..., 5 Does the organization have a written policy..., 6 Staff and volunteer hours..., 7 Amount of expenses incurred..., 8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements..., 9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements...

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. Rows include: 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report..., 1b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report..., 2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain...

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

- a Public exhibition, b Scholarly research, c Preservation for future generations, d Loan or exchange programs, e Other

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table

Table with 2 columns: Description (1c-1f) and Amount

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

Table with 6 columns: (a) Current year, (b) Prior year, (c) Two years back, (d) Three years back, (e) Four years back. Rows 1a-1g.

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment, b Permanent endowment, c Temporarily restricted endowment. The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

Table with 3 columns: Description (3a(i), 3a(ii), 3b) and Yes/No

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Table with 5 columns: Description of property, (a) Cost or other basis (investment), (b) Cost or other basis (other), (c) Accumulated depreciation, (d) Book value. Rows 1a-1e and Total.

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a		
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b		
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)		5	

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a		
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)		5	

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b Also complete this part to provide any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART X, LINE 2	GAAP REQUIRES MANAGEMENT TO EVALUATE TAX POSITIONS TAKEN BY ABMS AND RECOGNIZE A TAX LIABILITY IF ABMS HAS TAKEN AN UNCERTAIN POSITION THAT MORE LIKELY THAN NOT WOULD NOT BE SUSTAINED UPON EXAMINATION BY THE IRS OR OTHER APPLICABLE TAXING AUTHORITIES MANAGEMENT HAS ANALYZED THE TAX POSITIONS TAKEN BY ABMS AND HAS CONCLUDED THAT AS OF DECEMBER 31,2014 AND 2013, THERE ARE NO UNCERTAIN POSITIONS TAKEN OR EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN THAT WOULD REQUIRE RECOGNITION OF A LIABILITY OR DISCLOSURE IN THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ABMS IS SUBJECT TO ROUTINE AUDITS BY TAXING JURISDICTIONS, HOWEVER, THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO AUDITS FOR ANY TAX PERIODS IN PROGRESS MANAGEMENT BELIEVES IT IS NO LONGER SUBJECT TO INCOME TAX EXAMINATIONS FOR YEARS PRIOR TO DECEMBER 31, 2011

**SCHEDULE F
(Form 990)**

Statement of Activities Outside the United States

OMB No 1545-0047

2014

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▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990,
Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule F (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES

Employer identification number
41-0847713

Part I General Information on Activities Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.

1 For grantmakers. Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of its grants and other assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? **Yes** **No**

2 For grantmakers. Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of its grants and other assistance outside the United States.

3 Activities per Region (The following Part I, line 3 table can be duplicated if additional space is needed)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees, agents, and independent contractors in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (e.g., fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in region
(1) EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC	0	0	PROGRAM SERVICES	DEVELOPMENT OF SPECIALTY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR PHYSICIANS	3,544,698
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
3a Sub-total	0	0			3,544,698
b Total from continuation sheets to Part I	0	0			0
c Totals (add lines 3a and 3b)	0	0			3,544,698

Part II **Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of non-cash assistance	(h) Description of non-cash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)									
(2)									
(3)									
(4)									

- 2** Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter ▶ _____
- 3** Enter total number of other organizations or entities ▶ _____

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 16.
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Region	(c) Number of recipients	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Manner of cash disbursement	(f) Amount of non-cash assistance	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)							
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							
(13)							
(14)							
(15)							
(16)							
(17)							
(18)							

Part IV Foreign Forms

- 1 Was the organization a U S transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926, Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation (see Instructions for Form 926)* Yes No
- 2 Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 3520, Annual Return to Report Transactions with Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts, and/or Form 3520-A, Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a U.S. Owner (see Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A; do not file with Form 990)* Yes No
- 3 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U.S. Persons with Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations. (see Instructions for Form 5471)* Yes No
- 4 Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund. (see Instructions for Form 8621)* Yes No
- 5 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U.S. Persons with Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships. (see Instructions for Form 8865)* Yes No
- 6 Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see Instructions for Form 5713; do not file with Form 990)* Yes No

Part V Supplemental Information

Provide the information required by Part I, line 2 (monitoring of funds); Part I, line 3, column (f) (accounting method; amounts of investments vs. expenditures per region); Part II, line 1 (accounting method); Part III (accounting method); and Part III, column (c) (estimated number of recipients), as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information (see instructions).

990 Schedule F, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 3	THE ORGANIZATION USES THE ACCRUAL METHOD TO ACCOUNT FOR EXPENDITURES

**Schedule I
(Form 990)**

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments and Individuals in the United States**

OMB No 1545-0047

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

▶ **Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES

Employer identification number

41-0847713

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? **Yes** **No**
- 2** Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES RESEARCH AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION 353 NORTH CLARK ST SUITE 1400 CHICAGO, IL 60654	23-7304902	501(C)(3)	1,338,000				RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table **1**

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table **1**

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22.

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 2	THE ORGANIZATION MAKES CONTRIBUTIONS TO OTHER 501(C)(3) ORGANIZATIONS WITH SIMILAR MISSIONS FOR THE GENERAL SUPPORT OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS SINCE THE FUNDS ARE TO BE USED FOR THE GENERAL SUPPORT OF THEIR MISSION, WE DO NOT REQUIRE THESE ORGANIZATIONS TO SUBSTANTIATE THEIR EXPENDITURES RELATED TO THESE CONTRIBUTIONS

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES

Employer identification number

41-0847713

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

- 1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.
- | | |
|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

b If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

4 During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III

Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.

5 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III

6 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III

7 For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

8 Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

9 If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
1b	Yes	
2	Yes	
4a	Yes	
4b	Yes	
4c		No
5a		
5b		
6a		
6b		
7		
8		
9		

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column(B) reported as deferred in prior Form 990
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
See Additional Data Table							

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II

Also complete this part for any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 1A	PER THE TERMS OF HER EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT, DR NORA IS ENTITLED TO FLY FIRST CLASS FOR ORGANIZATION-RELATED BUSINESS ON FLIGHTS THAT ARE THREE HOURS IN DURATION OR LONGER THIS IS NOT TAXABLE TO HER
PART I, LINES 4A-B	A DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN EXISTED FOR A FORMER PRESIDENT, STEPHEN H MILLER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT, ABMS DISTRIBUTED \$185,909 IN 2014 TO THE FORMER PRESIDENT LISA WASSERMAN, PRIOR CFO, RECEIVED \$59,844 IN COMPENSATION PER THE TERMS OF HER SEPARATION AGREEMENT

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 41-0847713
Name: AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES

Form 990, Schedule J, Part II - Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred in prior Form 990	
	(i) Base Compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation					
1 LOIS MARGARET NORA MD JD MBA, PRESIDENT & CEO	(i)	668,945	48,481	0	34,500	11,079	763,005	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1 LAURA SKARNULIS, COO	(i)	283,316	28,975	0	35,240	16,687	364,218	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 LISA WASSERMAN, CFO (1/1 - 7/31)	(i)	189,044	0	23,100	3,990	15,325	231,459	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 JOHN MANDELBAUM, CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER	(i)	223,808	23,100	0	34,500	12,752	294,160	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 KATHLEEN RUFF, CHIEF OF STAFF	(i)	217,124	21,725	0	32,406	180	271,435	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 JENNIFER MICHAEL, CIO	(i)	200,000	11,000	0	16,270	780	228,050	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 MIRA IRONS, SVP ACADEMIC AFFAIRS	(i)	289,967	31,525	0	34,500	7,453	363,445	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 THOMAS GRANATIR, SVP POLICY & EXT RELATION	(i)	212,325	22,125	0	33,009	12,831	280,290	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 RICHARD WATERS, VP MARKETING & COMMUNICAITONS	(i)	185,500	7,000	0	14,356	0	206,856	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 KRISTA ALLBEE, VP INTERNATIONAL PROG	(i)	180,846	10,000	0	14,678	17,206	222,730	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 CAROL CLOTHIER, VP PUBLIC AFFAIRS	(i)	177,858	5,500	0	13,966	12,083	209,407	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 STEPHEN H MILLER, FORMER CEO	(i)	0	0	185,909	0	0	185,909	185,509
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12 MELICIA POWWELS, FORMER VP ACADEMIC PROGRAMS	(i)	165,893	0	0	5,061	8,954	179,908	0
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Name of the organization
AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES

Employer identification number

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Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6	<p>THERE WILL BE 3 CLASSES OF MEMBERS, REGULAR MEMBERS, ASSOCIATE MEMBERS AND PUBLIC MEMBERS. REGULAR MEMBERS SHALL BE ALL THE PRIMARY AND CONJOINT MEDICAL SPECIALTY MEMBER BOARDS (CURRENTLY 24) WHICH HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THIS CORPORATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CRITERIA STIPULATED IN THE ESSENTIALS FOR APPROVAL OF EXAMINING BOARDS IN MEDICAL SPECIALTIES' AS ESTABLISHED BY THIS CORPORATION FROM TIME TO TIME. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES FOR REGULAR MEMBERS SHALL BE ONE HUNDRED. EACH PRIMARY AND CONJOINT MEMBER SHALL HAVE A BASE VOTE OF TWO. THE REMAINING VOTES SHALL BE PRORATED ACCORDING TO THE PERCENTAGE OF NEW DIPLOMATES CERTIFIED BY EACH MEMBER BOARD DURING THE PREVIOUS FIVE CALENDAR YEARS. VOTES FOR EACH MEMBER BOARD SHALL BE RECALCULATED ANNUALLY ON A BASIS OF THE NUMBER OF DIPLOMATES CERTIFIED BY EACH BOARD DURING THE PREVIOUS FIVE CALENDAR YEARS. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS SHALL BE LIMITED TO SUCH ORGANIZATIONS INTERESTED IN GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION OR THE STANDARDS OF MEDICAL PRACTICE AS, IN THE SOLE OPINION OF THIS CORPORATION, CAN ASSIST IT SIGNIFICANTLY IN THE ATTAINMENT OF ITS PURPOSE. PUBLIC MEMBERS SHALL BE PERSONS ELECTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO BRING VIEWPOINTS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO THE DELIBERATIONS OF THE CORPORATION. THEY SHALL NOT EXCEED 6 IN NUMBER, AND SHALL BE ELECTED FOR AN INITIAL TERM OF 3 YEARS. EACH PUBLIC MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO ONE VOTE.</p>

Return Reference**Explanation**

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A

SEE DESCRIPTION FOR PART VI, 7B BELOW

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7B	THE RESERVED POWERS BOARD, ACTING FOR THE MEMBERS, SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIED POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES DETERMINING BY A TWO-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE VOTE THE RECOGNITION AND APPROVAL BY THE CORPORATION OF ALL PRIMARY AND CONJOINT MEDICAL SPECIALTY BOARDS (THEREBY ALSO ESTABLISHING A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE CORPORATION) AND OF ALL APPROVED MEDICAL SUBSPECIALTIES AND THE APPROPRIATE MEDICAL SPECIALTY (IES) ELECTING BY SIMPLE MAJORITY AT THE ANNUAL MEETING EACH YEAR, THOSE OFFICERS, COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER ORGANIZATIONS REQUIRING ELECTION FROM AMONG PERSONS NOMINATED BY THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE OR FROM THE FLOOR APPROVING BY A TWO-THIRDS AFFIRMATIVE VOTE ALL PROPOSED INCREASES (BUT NOT DECREASES) ON MEMBERSHIP DUES OF ANY PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS OF THE MEMBER BOARDS APPROVING BY A TWO-THIRDS AFFIRMATIVE VOTE ALL PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CORPORATION'S ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR TO THE ARTICLE III OF THESE BYLAWS RESOLVING BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY AFFIRMATIVE VOTE (UNLESS A GREATER MAJORITY IS REQUIRED BY LAW OF BY THESE BYLAWS) ANY DISPUTED SUBSTANTIVE AND NONPROCEDURAL MATTER BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WHICH IS CERTIFIED IN WRITING BY AT LEAST FIVE OR MORE DIRECTORS FOR REFERRAL TO THE RESERVED POWERS BOARD, WHICH REFERRAL SHALL INCLUDE THE WRITTEN RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON THE MATTER APPROVING BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY AFFIRMATIVE VOTE THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE ABMS

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11	THE BOARD RETAINS THE SERVICES OF AN INDEPENDENT CPA FIRM TO PREPARE THE ORGANIZATION'S FORM 990. THE INDEPENDENT CPA FIRM PRESENTS THE 990 TO MANAGEMENT AND THE FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE AND THE FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE REVIEWS AND APPROVES THE 990. THE FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE THEN PROVIDES A FULL COPY TO ALL VOTING MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY. THE FORM 990 IS ALSO REVIEWED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS BEFORE IT IS FILED.

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	AT THE BEGINNING OF ALL BOARD AND BOARD COMMITTEE MEETINGS MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO DISCLOSE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND DUALITIES THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD AND OF ALL BOARD COMMITTEES SHALL CONTAIN THE NAMES OF THE PERSONS DISCLOSED OR OTHERWISE WERE FOUND TO HAVE A FINANCIAL INTEREST IN CONNECTION WITH AN ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL CONFLICT OR DUALITY OF INTEREST, THE NATURE OF THE FINANCIAL INTEREST, ANY ACTION TAKEN TO DETERMINE WHETHER A CONFLICT OR DUALITY OF INTEREST WAS PRESENT, AND THE BOARD'S OR COMMITTEE'S DETERMINATION AS TO WHETHER A CONFLICT OR DUALITY OF INTEREST IN FACT EXISTED

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	FOR THE ABMS PRESIDENT'S COMPENSATION 1 MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, WHO ARE INDEPENDENT, SET THE COMPENSATION FOR THE PRESIDENT 2 AN OUTSIDE COMPENSATION CONSULTING FIRM ALSO PARTICIPATES IN THE COMPENSATION PROCESS 3 COMPARABILITY DATA FROM SIMILAR NOT FOR PROFIT HEALTHCARE ORGANIZATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS IS REVIEWED FOR KEY EMPLOYEES THE ABMS PRESIDENT SETS COMPENSATION IN CONSULTATION WITH AN OUTSIDE CONSULTING FIRM AND CONSIDERING COMPARABILITY DATA

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	CERTAIN GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH APPLICABLE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY IS AVAILABLE UPON WRITTEN REQUEST TO THE ORGANIZATION FINANCIAL FILINGS ARE AVAILABLE VIA GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND GUIDESTAR

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VII, SECTION A - COMPENSATION	THE COMPENSATION REPORTED IN PART VII IS THE COMPENSATION PAID BY THE FILING ORGANIZATION ABMS FOR A FULL-TIME POSITION HOWEVER A PORTION OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S TIME IS DEVOTED TO RELATED ORGANIZATIONS, AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES RESEARCH AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION AND THE MULTI-SPECIALTY PORTFOLIO APPROVAL PROGRAM ORGANIZATION THE FILING ORGANIZATION IS REIMBURSED BY THE AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES RESEARCH AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION AND THE MULTI SPECIALTY PORTFOLIO APPROVAL ORGANIZATION

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G	CONTRACT STAFF 235,910 MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS 1,336,429 SUBCONTRACTORS 1,539,446

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

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▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990.**
▶ **Information about Schedule R (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES

Employer identification number
41-0847713

Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity
(1) ABMS INTERNATIONAL LLC 353 NORTH CLARK STREET SUITE 1400 CHICAGO, IL 60654 27-4201101	HOLDING COMPANY	IL	5,034,433	3,086,891	ABMS
(2) ABMS SINGAPORE LLC 353 NORTH CLARK STREET SUITE 1400 CHICAGO, IL 60654 27-4201326	CERTIFICATION ACTIVITIES	IL	0	0	ABMS INTERNATIONAL LLC
(3) ABMS SOLUTIONS LLC 353 NORTH CLARK STREET SUITE 1400 CHICAGO, IL 60654 45-3952583	PROVIDING CERTIFICATION SOLUTIONS FOR CREDENTIALERS	IL	3,469,401	3,561,031	ABMS

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) AMERICAN BOARD OF MEDICAL SPECIALTIES RESEARCH AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION 353 NORTH CLARK STREET SUITE 1400 CHICAGO, IL 60601 23-7304902	RESEARCH AND EDUCATION	IL	501(C)(3)	LINE 1	ABMS	Yes	
(2) MULTI-SPECIALTY PORTFOLIO APPROVAL PROGRAM 353 NORTH CLARK STREET SUITE 1400 CHICAGO, IL 60654 46-5431221	PROMOTING PHYSICIAN PARTICIPATION AND COMPETENCY	IL	501(C)(3)	LINE 9	ABMS	Yes	

Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income(related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512- 514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end- of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512 (b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule

1 During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

- a** Receipt of **(i)** interest, **(ii)** annuities, **(iii)** royalties, or **(iv)** rent from a controlled entity
- b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)
- c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)
- d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)
- e** Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)

- f** Dividends from related organization(s)
- g** Sale of assets to related organization(s)
- h** Purchase of assets from related organization(s)
- i** Exchange of assets with related organization(s)
- j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)

- k** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)
- l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)
- m** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)
- n** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)
- o** Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)

- p** Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses
- q** Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses

- r** Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)
- s** Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)

	Yes	No
1a		No
1b	Yes	
1c		No
1d		No
1e		No
1f		No
1g		No
1h		No
1i		No
1j		No
1k		No
1l		No
1m	Yes	
1n	Yes	
1o	Yes	
1p		No
1q	Yes	
1r		No
1s		No

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) ABMS RESEARCH AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION	Q	777,569	AUDITED EXPENSE REPORT
(2) ABMS RESEARCH AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION	B	1,338,000	CASH
(3) MULTI-SPECIALTY PORTFOLIO APPROVAL PROGRAM ORGANIZATION	Q	217,548	AUDITED EXPENSE REPORT

Part VI Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37.

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(e) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
				Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	

Part VII Supplemental Information

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R (see instructions)

Return Reference**Explanation**