

## HMDCB RELEASES 2022 INITIAL CERTIFICATION EXAM RESULTS

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Chicago, IL – August 2022 — The Hospice Medical Director Certification Board® (HMDCB®) has recently completed its ninth examination of hospice medical directors and hospice physicians. The 2022 examination certified 141 hospice physicians from 36 states and had a passing rate of 78%.

The 2022 examination was developed from HMDCB's content blueprint that covers five main topic areas: (1) patient and family care, (2) medical knowledge, (3) medical leadership and communication, (4) professionalism, and (5) regulatory, compliance and quality improvement.

Since 2014, HMDCB has proudly awarded the Hospice Medical Director Certified® (HMDC®) credential to 1,532 hospice physicians who have chosen to demonstrate their knowledge and skills in hospice medicine. Currently, 1,273 hospice physicians from across the country hold the credential.

According to HMDCB's President, Tommie Farrell, MD FAAHPM HMDC, "On behalf of HMDCB's Board of Directors, I'd like to congratulate the 141 new certificants who have earned the HMDC credential this year! For these leaders to choose to become certified shows the value they see in showcasing their knowledge and skill set in providing effective and quality care for patients and families. We're pleased to welcome them to the HMDCB Community."

HMDCB saw a wide variety of candidates who applied for the exam: from diverse geographical regions, job roles in hospice, professional hospice experience, and hospice size. To view a list of those who earned their HMDC in 2022, please click here.

HMDCB is committed to improving patients' quality of life by promoting the excellence and professional competence of the distinctive role of the hospice physician. To search for certified HMDCs, visit the <u>"Find an HMDC" directory</u>. The application cycle for the 2023 initial examination will open in January 2023.

For more information on the HMDCB certification program, visit <a href="www.HMDCB.org">www.HMDCB.org</a>, email <a href="mailto:info@hmdcb.org">info@hmdcb.org</a>, or call 847.375.6740.

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The Hospice Medical Director Certification Board (HMDCB) serves as an independent, not-for-profit certifying body established to administer a certification program for hospice medical directors and hospice physicians. The mission of HMDCB is to relieve suffering and improve quality of life by promoting the excellence and professional competency of hospice physicians. For more information, visit <a href="www.hmdcb.org">www.hmdcb.org</a>.