

A Tool to Start the Conversation

Becoming board certified is an important career goal for many pharmacists, as it can lead to career advancement, financial benefits, recognition among colleagues, and many more opportunities. Board-certified pharmacists are everywhere; they could be your professors, APPE preceptors, or residency program directors. Try using the following questions to start a conversation with a board-certified pharmacist.

Questions to Ask a BPS Board-Certified Pharmacist

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Why did you choose to pursue board certification?

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What strategies did you use to prepare for the board certification exam?

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In what ways has BPS Board-Certification influenced your approach to pharmacy practice?

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Can you share some of the opportunities that have arisen for you following your board certification?

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From your experience, how does board certification contribute to practice advancement, patient care, and career development?

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What is your process for staying up to date with current practices and preparing for recertification?

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What career guidance would you offer to someone contemplating board certification and what steps do you recommend for learners preparing for certification?

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How has board certification impacted the way colleagues and other healthcare professionals perceive you?

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How has board certification impacted your commitment to lifelong learning and professional development?

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In your opinion, how does board certification fit into the broader landscape of healthcare?