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The **Society for Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility (SREI)** is an organization of physicians dedicated to providing excellence in reproductive health through research, education, and patient care.



Membership in SREI is strictly limited to physicians who have been certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ABOG) as having special knowledge and proficiency in the specialty of Obstetrics and Gynecology **and** in the subspecialty of Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility. To date, fewer than 800 physicians have achieved this very special distinction.

ABOG defines a **Reproductive Endocrinologist** as “a specialist in obstetrics and gynecology who is capable of managing complex problems relating to reproductive endocrinology and infertility, and whose current professional activity involves the practice of Reproductive Endocrinology in a setting wherein essential diagnostic and therapeutic resources are available and being used appropriately.”

To be certified in the specialty of Obstetrics and Gynecology by ABOG, a physician must:

- Successfully complete four years of training in Obstetrics and Gynecology, after graduation from an accredited medical school.
- Pass a written examination in Obstetrics and Gynecology.
- Pass an oral examination in Obstetrics and Gynecology, after a minimum of one year of independent specialty practice.

To be certified in the subspecialty of Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility by ABOG, a physician must **also**:

- Successfully complete **three years of additional subspecialty training** in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility.
- Pass a **second** written examination in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility.
- Pass a **second** oral examination in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility, after a minimum of one year in independent subspecialty practice.
 - ? Examination includes a critical review of the management of all patients for whose care the candidate had primary responsibility during the preceding year.
 - ? Successful candidates must demonstrate the capability to manage complex problems relating to Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility and be judged to possess the scientific training necessary to advance knowledge in this evolving subspecialty, to evaluate new concepts, and to interpret their supporting data.

Endocrinology and Infertility and membership in the SREI are highly prized professional credentials. Individuals who falsely claim to have subspecialty certification in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility are subject to legal actions by ABOG.

Physicians who are currently pursuing subspecialty training in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility, and those who have completed training but have not yet been certified in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility, are eligible for **associate membership** in SREI.

In summary, members of the SREI are a **select** group of highly trained and qualified physicians with advanced education, research, and professional skills in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility who treat reproductive disorders that affect children, men, and women of all ages. Membership in the SREI requires **seven years of formal specialty and subspecialty training** after medical school, and **certification** of special knowledge and proficiency in the evaluation and treatment of reproductive failure and a wide variety of endocrine disorders including:

- Infertility and recurrent pregnancy loss
- Problems of sexual development & function
- Menstrual disturbances
- Hormone imbalances and abnormalities
- Menopause.

To see a list of all members of the SREI and their locations, visit the SREI website at:
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