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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## N. STACY LANKFORD, MD RE-ELECTED TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE NATIONAL BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Philadelphia, PA – The National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME) is pleased to announce that N. Stacy Lankford, MD was elected to a second two-year term as an at-large member of the National Board of Medical Examiners Board of Directors ("NBME Executive Board"). The election occurred at the Annual Meeting of the NBME Membership on April 5, 2013.

Dr. Lankford is a past chair of the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB). He is associated with Indiana Health Professions Bureau and is Director of Medical Education for Elkhart General Hospital. Dr. Lankford served twice as president of the Medical Licensing Board of Indiana. He is certified by the American Board of Urology and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. He received his medical degree from Indiana University School of Medicine.

Dr. Lankford has been involved in test development and other activities related to the NBME since 1997. He has served on a number of committees, including representation of the FSMB as a member of the United States Medical Licensing Examination® (USMLE®) Composite Committee and as chair of the USMLE Step 3 Committee.

The NBME is an independent, not-for-profit organization that provides high-quality assessments for the health professions. Protection of the health of the public through state of the art assessment is the mission of the NBME, along with a major commitment to research and development in evaluation and measurement. The NBME develops the three-step USMLE, which provides a common evaluation system and established minimum standards for all doctors of medicine seeking an initial license to practice medicine in the United States. USMLE is a joint program of the NBME and

the FSMB. Results of USMLE are reported to all licensing authorities in the United States and its territories for use in granting the initial license to practice medicine. The NBME's examinations and services are also widely used by the medical education system both in the United States and around the world. The Membership of the NBME advises its Executive Board on establishing policy for the NBME and elects the members of the Executive Board.

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