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ABMS APPOINTS KRISTIN SCHLEITER, JD, LL.M., VICE PRESIDENT, POLICY, GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AND STRATEGIC ENGAGEMENT

CHICAGO – November 14, 2018 – The American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS), the leading organization that oversees the standards for physician Board Certification in the United States, has named Kristin Schleiter its Vice President, Policy, Government Relations and Strategic Engagement.

In this role, Ms. Schleiter will provide strategic and operational oversight for ABMS policy development and advocacy initiatives and will lead strategic engagement with governmental, professional and health care organizations, as well as other public stakeholders of specialty certification to strengthen the value of ABMS specialty Board Certification.

Ms. Schleiter brings to ABMS more than 10 years of experience in public policy and government affairs. Most recently, she was a senior legislative attorney at the American Medical Association where she focused on policy development, legislative strategy and stakeholder engagement. Ms. Schleiter has also held positions at the American Academy of Pediatrics and a law firm in Chicago.

Ms. Schleiter holds a Juris Doctor degree from Loyola University Chicago School of Law as well as a Masters of Health Law. She graduated from Illinois Wesleyan University with a Bachelor of Arts in Biology and Philosophy.

“We are pleased to have Kristin join the ABMS team in this important role,” stated Richard E. Hawkins, MD, ABMS President and Chief Executive Officer. “With her experience in advocacy, legislative strategy and stakeholder engagement, Kristin has a unique expertise in creating and leading external engagement programming, and under her leadership, we will further enhance the value of continuing certification to the public, participating physicians, and other key stakeholders of the certification process.”

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About ABMS

Established in 1933, the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) is the leading not-for-profit organization overseeing physician certification in the United States. ABMS establishes the standards its 24 Member Boards use to develop and implement educational and professional evaluation, assessment, and certification of physician specialists, helping to improve the quality of care to the patients, families and communities we serve. More than 880,000 physicians are certified in one or more of the approved 40 specialties and 85 subspecialties offered by the [ABMS Member Boards](http://www.abms.org). For more information about ABMS, visit [abms.org](http://www.abms.org) or call (312) 436-2600.