3.2. A Model for Establishing Board Certification for Forensic Medical Examiners
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Learning objectives:
By the end of the presentation, participants will be able to:

1. Discuss the importance of board certification for forensic medical examiners
2. Establish the need for board certification
3. Identify the parameters to develop a board certification program in your country.

Abstract:
This lecture will offer a model for establishing board certification for forensic medical examiners. In many countries there is limited opportunity to receive the necessary training, education, and certification in forensic medicine. Much of the requirements are ad-hoc or self-taught and may not meet the rigor required for board certification. There is a great opportunity to develop the basic parameters to ensure durable certification in forensic medicine in countries that are in need. Requirements may include: medical education, anatomic pathology training, histology training, forensic pathology training, death/crime scene training, forensic photography, and court testimony training. Written and practical examination by a board of internationally certified experts in forensic pathology/medicine would be required.