

Asthma Educator Certification (AE-C)

AE-C certification is the official designation of a certified asthma educator who has the necessary knowledge and skills to counsel patients in asthma management. An asthma educator is an expert in counseling individuals with asthma and their families how to manage their asthma and to minimize its impact on their quality of life. The Asthma Educator Certification is administered by the National Asthma Educator Certification Board, 1150 18th St. NW, Ste 900, Washington DC, 20036. They can be reached by telephone at 202-785-3355 or by fax 202-452-1805.

How do I prepare for the test?

The candidate handbook has been developed to assist you in preparing for the examination. It is available to download from the website www.naecb.org. This handbook contains the testing categories and a list of review references to assist you in your preparation. If you register online, you will need to download the candidate handbook. If you register by phone or by mail, AMP will send you the candidate handbook.

What does the test involve and where do I take it?

The AE-C examination is comprised of 175 questions designed to evaluate the candidate's ability to help patients manage asthma. The examination is offered at over 100 computerized locations throughout the U.S. To find the location in your area, visit www.naecb.org.

What is the re-certification process?

Re-certification by examination will be required every five years. Outcome studies to evaluate the effectiveness of education by a certified asthma educator will be performed to assess the benefit of this process and to help guide the re-certification process.