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Early this morning, the Board was made aware of significant issues with accessing the CertLink platform for completion of this quarter's questions. This affected several specialty boards using this system. A number of Diplomates were unable to complete their assessments before the expiration time, thus resulting in the unanswered questions being scored as incorrect. Unfortunately our current platform does not allow us to retroactively extend the end of a quarter, so it will not be possible for these questions to be re-accessed. These questions will not be counted against your score and you will get a "pass" for this quarter.

We have heard from many of you via the feedback system in CertLink and thank you for your input. If you experienced an issue with access on September 30th and did not enter a ticket, please let us know by emailing certlink@abcrs.org.

For those affected, please rest assured that this will not affect your certification.

This message is being sent to all diplomates so we don't miss anyone. If you successfully completed your questions, nothing further is needed. The fourth quarter will begin as planned October 2nd.

Sincerely,

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