



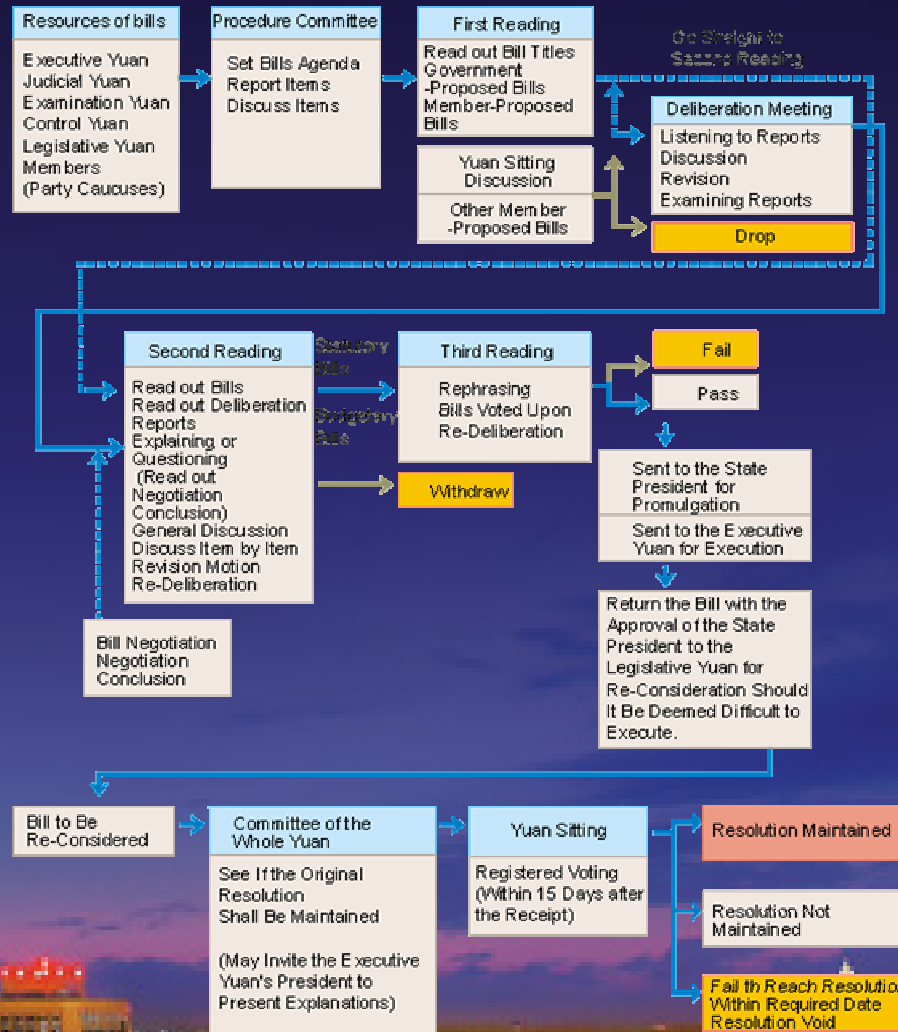
# **Board Certification Mechanism Taiwan's experience**

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# Legislative Procedure





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Ministry of Examination

# Medical Personnel ACT

- Physician (1943)
- Dentist
- Pharmacist
- Medical laboratory technician
- Medical radiologist
- Registered nurse
- Registered midwife
- Physical therapist
- Occupational therapist
- Medical Radiologist (2000)



# Year 1999

- Society regulation approved (1997)
- Chinese Society of Medical Physics, Taipei (CSMPT) decided to set up the board certification process

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# Step 1

- Studying the American and European experience
- Suggestions from members who had obtained board certification status overseas

A nighttime photograph of the Taipei 101 skyscraper, illuminated with various colors (red, blue, green, purple) and topped with a glowing spire. The building is set against a dark blue sky with some clouds, and a cityscape with other lights is visible in the background.

## Step 2

### Formed the board certification mechanism

- a qualifying process including
  - the academic preparation,
  - clinical experience,
- examinations was established, With the support of the
  - Taiwan Society for Therapeutic Radiology and Oncology (TASTRO),
  - Atomic Energy Council (AEC).



## Step 3

### One by one

- 1999
  - Radiation therapy medical physics.
- 2000
  - Radiation dosimetrist .
- 2007
  - Diagnostic imaging medical physics .

A nighttime photograph of a city skyline. The most prominent feature is a tall skyscraper on the left side, illuminated with various lights, including a bright red and white light at its peak. The sky is a deep blue with some clouds. Other buildings and city lights are visible in the background.

## Step 4

# Continuing education (MOC)

- As the radiological physics field becomes more highly sophisticated, the need for keeping up with the knowledge becomes even more important. Hence, the certification program started the continuing education extension to promote the maintenance of professional competence.
- The rules for continuing professional development for certificate renewal had been revised by the board certification committee in 2003.
- This rule change further improves the board certification mechanism.



A nighttime photograph of the Taipei 101 skyscraper, illuminated with blue and white lights, standing prominently against a dark blue sky. The city lights of Taipei are visible in the background, creating a vibrant urban scene.

# Present

Widely recognized by the medical community in Taiwan even without government sanction.

- 2008, more than 30 applicants (< 50% pass)
- Hospital based medical physicists are encouraged by their employers to go through the board certification process.
- Some hospital departments specify board certification as one of the requirements for employment.
- Many radiation oncology training programs have incorporated the concept of qualified medical physicists.
- Government projects (DOH, AEC)

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