

## **NBOME Commemorates Veterans Day and Joining Forces Wellness Week, November 7 – 11**

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November 7, 2016 – In recognition of Veteran’s Day this Friday, November 11, the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME) [salutes and honors veterans](#) by supporting Joining Forces Wellness Week, the White House initiative, and the efforts of the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM) and its member colleges of osteopathic medicine. We applaud these national efforts to call attention to the critical issues facing our country’s military service members, veterans and their families, and ensure adequate and appropriate care for them.

Each day this week the NBOME is sharing resources, including the Joining Forces Wellness Week webinar series, and information about how colleges of osteopathic medicine are supporting the needs of veterans.

“As the NBOME fulfills its mission to protect the public, we remain thankful to all of our veterans for their enormous sacrifices and their service that protects all of us,” said John R. Gimpel, DO, NBOME President and CEO. “The Joining Forces initiative focuses attention on the quality of health care services and the education of health care workers in areas critical to the health and wellness of the veteran population, and the nation as a whole. By working to ensure that graduating physicians have the medical and cultural competencies they need to effectively deliver health care to our nation’s large number of military service members and veterans and their families, AACOM and the participating colleges of osteopathic medicine are making an impact on the health and wellness of this population.”

The NBOME addresses the specific needs of service members, veterans, family members and caregivers in the COMLEX-USA examinations and in other NBOME assessments across the continuum of medical education, training and practice. The newly released [NBOME Fundamental Osteopathic Medical Competency Domains](#) and the [COMLEX-USA Master Blueprint](#) assess the specific needs of diverse patient populations, systems of care including the Veterans Health Administration and global issues affecting the health of military service members, veterans and their families.

The NBOME is the leading assessment organization for the osteopathic medical profession. The Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Licensing Examination (COMLEX-USA) series is a requirement for graduation from colleges of osteopathic medicine and provides a pathway to licensure for osteopathic physicians in the United States and numerous international jurisdictions.

To learn more about the NBOME and the Joining Forces Wellness Week please visit [www.nbome.org](http://www.nbome.org).

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