ISCD supports the ongoing professional development of its certificants. The mandatory recertification process provides certificants with the opportunity to demonstrate the retention, reinforcement and expansion of their knowledge and skills pertaining to new advances and information in the bone densitometry field.

Recertification also provides encouragement to, and acknowledgement for, participation in ongoing professional development activities and continued learning. To support this purpose, the recertification requirements require continuing education and professional activities that enhance ongoing professional development, recognize learning opportunities, and provide a process for both attaining and recording professional development achievements.

To ensure the proficiency of ISCD certified individuals, the Certification Council requires that each certificant participate periodically in continuing education to refresh existing knowledge and skills, and to acquire knowledge and skills pertaining to procedures in the bone densitometry.

The 5-year time period established for recertification is based on both the scope of issues that face bone densitometry professionals and the Council’s belief that new practices, research, and information are introduced in the field with enough frequency that professional development activities should be conducted routinely so that certificants remain current with best practices and emerging knowledge.