

Accreditation timeline (For HCO):

Recommended prior steps are (1) Obtain a copy of NABH standards & guide book (2) Attend NABH awareness programs conducted by QCI

Following policy guidelines are applicable on all organizations applying for NABH accreditations.

S.No	Accreditation steps	Approx. time line
1	Submission of application (along with fee amount) + self assessment toolkit + documents + Signed copy of Terms and Conditions.	
2	1) Registration and acknowledgement to HCO along with unique reference no. 2) Reflect same on website.	Within 10 days of receiving application form and fees
3	Pre assessment	Within 3 months of fee deposition
4	Take corrective action and send report to NABH secretariat.	Within 3 months of date of assessment
5	Final assessment	Within six months of Pre Assessment
6	Take corrective action on non conformities raised during final assessment and send report to NABH secretariat.	Within three months of final assessment
7	Review by accreditation committee.	
8	Verification Assessment (as and if decided by AC)	
9	Surveillance Assessment	Within 15-17 months of Accreditation
10	Take corrective action on non conformities raised during surveillance assessment and send report to NABH secretariat.	Within 1.5 months of surveillance visit
11	Reassessment	Before 6 months of expiry of accreditation

* **Pre Assessment** should be within three months of applying for accreditation. It should not be delayed beyond three months. If healthcare provider is not ready for pre-assessment within three months, then accreditation application will be considered cancelled. They have to apply fresh.

** **Final Assessment** should be within six months of pre assessment. It should not be delayed beyond six months after the pre-assessment. If healthcare provider is not ready for final assessment within six months, then accreditation application will be considered cancelled. They have to apply fresh.