# The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc.®



# NEWSLETTER

#### ANNUAL NEWSLETTER TO DIPLOMATES 🔳 APRIL 2018

# **Chair Report**

Joseph M. Serletti, M.D.

In the Public Trust

"The mission of The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. is to promote safe, ethical, efficacious plastic surgery to the public by maintaining high standards for the education, examination, certification, and maintenance of certification of plastic surgeons as specialists and subspecialists."



I have the privilege of serving as your current Chair of the American Board of Plastic Surgery. This is one of the highest honors I have received in my career as a Plastic Surgeon and I want to extend my sincere thanks to all of you, our diplomates, our current Board Directors, Keith E. Brandt, M.D., Executive Director and the Board office staff for all of your support through this year. I also want to thank my partners at Penn Plastic Surgery for their support and coverage this year. Listed in this annual newsletter are the names of the new diplomates of the Board and we all send out our heartiest congratulations to our young colleagues. We also welcome Felmont F. Eaves, III, M.D., Joan E. Lipa, M.D. and Peter J. Taub, M.D. as new Directors of the American Board of Plastic Surgery.

The full mission of the Board is printed at the beginning of this report. Briefly, the role of the Board is to protect the public by "maintaining high standards for the education, examination, certification, and maintenance of certification of plastic surgeons..." When we discuss any issue at the Board level, whether in committee or a full meeting of the Board, we always keep in mind our decisions are ultimately based on protecting the public.

The Board's Written Examination was administered in October and congratulations to all of you who have passed this examination. The passing rate for first time takers this year was 92.7%. While that may appear very high, we routinely engage a test statistician, more formally known as a psychometrician, who validates that we have identified the appropriate exam performance for passing. Further, more of our current examinees are graduating from 6 year integrated plastic surgery programs. The independent plastic surgery pathway has been extended to 3 years of residency training. The Board believes that our trainees are therefore, more knowledgeable heading into the Written Examination. We see this as a very positive change! Some of our fellow surgical Boards within the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) have moved their Written Examination to an earlier date. This allows candidates to take the Written Examination either just before graduation or shortly after completing The American Board of residency training. Neurological Surgery offers the examination during residency while the American Boards of Orthopedic Surgery and Surgery have moved the examination to July. In order to receive input from our young colleagues, the Board sent a survey to the upcoming 2018 graduating residents and candidates who participated in the 2017 Written Examination. The survey was also sent to the 2014-2016 classes who completed the Written Examination process. We offered three options, 1. Keep the October date for the Written Examination, 2. Offer the Written Examination in July after graduation, and 3. Offer the Written Examination in May of the chief resident year. I am sure you all will not be surprised that the overwhelming popular choice was to offer the Written Examination in May of the chief resident year. Based upon this input, the Board unanimously voted to move the Written Examination to May of the chief resident year. This will likely begin in 2020. The Board supported this so strongly because we believe the earlier administration will allow our graduates beginning practice to focus on that, beginning practice. For our graduates going on to fellowship training, they can now focus on their fellowship rather than studying for an examination in the coming months.

The Board just completed our first entirely electronic Oral Examination. The unknowns were presented electronically on a tablet. The candidates' case books were sent electronically to their examiners several weeks ahead of the examination. This allows for an

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improved review with better preparation of case book examinations by the examiners. The examiners use their own laptops during the candidates' case book examinations. Scoring the examination remains on paper but we are clearly moving to scoring electronically as well. The completely electronic Oral Examination occurred without any major technical glitch. Our heartiest congratulations go to Joseph E. Losee, M.D., Chair of the Oral Examination Committee in 2017, who has been the driving force for the "electronic" examination. A huge thank you goes to the Board office staff and technical support staff that ensured this incredibly smooth process. **The blue case books are gone forever!** 

Keith E. Brandt, M.D. will share with you upcoming changes and proposed changes for the Maintenance of Certification (MOC) process in his report as the Executive Director. The Board of Directors, all of whom must participate in MOC, remain completely committed to making the MOC process more of a real educational experience and less of an onerous process. We are hoping to ultimately suspend the every 10 year MOC Examination that is taken in a proctored examination center and move to an annual or ongoing internet based learning experience done on your home computer.

The Board would like to be able to provide all active diplomates with use of an appropriate logo signifying you as an ABPS Board Certified Plastic Surgeon. The logo can be used on your letterhead, office signage, websites, etc. The Board has been working with an illustrator and has viewed several renditions of a "Board logo" for our diplomates. The Board will review these at the May meeting and hopefully make a final decision. You should be able to use this logo once the appropriate design is officially approved.

The financial status of the Board remains quite strong. The reasons are multifactorial and include current market performance and the growing number of diplomates who will move on to the continuous certification process. We are not interested in building an extraordinarily large surplus of funds. Our financial status has allowed us to deploy a 15% discount to the total MOC fees beginning with the new MOC program in 2019. The Board continues to look for ways to reduce annual fees and examination costs for our diplomates.

Melissa A. Karch is in her first year as the Administrator of the American Board of Plastic Surgery. As you all know, Terry M. Cullison retired in June after 20 years of dedicated service to the Board and to the specialty of plastic surgery. While Terry's shoes are nearly impossible to fill, Melissa has done an absolutely outstanding job, "above and beyond the call of duty." I want to personally extend my heartiest congratulations and thanks to Melissa and the entire Board staff which includes Gwen A. Hanuscin, Melissa M. Hill, Maria K. D'Angelo and Stephanie L. Broadbelt, all of whom have done an outstanding job. I also want to thank and congratulate Keith E. Brandt, M.D. the Board's Executive Director. The Board could not have a more dedicated, thoughtful, or passionate Executive Director!

Thank you all again for the privilege of serving as your Chair.

## THANK YOU TO OUR DIPLOMATES

The Board values each of our diplomates and appreciates your support in carrying out the Board's mission to protect the public and to distinguish ourselves as safe, ethical, efficacious plastic surgeons who have met high standards in order to achieve board certification. The Board actively communicates with our major plastic surgery societies, regional societies, and legislative bodies to maintain a presence and to communicate our mission. We are proud of what our certificates represent and have issued 9,290 certificates to date. This Annual Newsletter is our opportunity to recognize the contributions that our diplomates have made over the past year.



R. Barrett Noone, M.D., Executive Director Emeritus, and Keith E. Brandt, M.D., Executive Director Oral Examination Phoenix, Arizona, November 2017

# From the Excertive Director

Keith E. Brandt, M.D.

# Imagine Taking the MOC-PS Examination in Your Pajamas

Your time is valuable and the Board knows it. You don't have time to study for an examination. You don't have time to be away from your office to take an examination at a testing center. The ASPS Study Guide is helpful but it's an additional cost.

#### **Problem Solved!**

The ABPS has listened and heard your concerns. The past MOC Chair, Dr. Donald R. Mackay and current MOC Chair Dr. Paul S. Cederna have spearheaded substantial changes in the movement toward a continuous certification process. Starting in April of 2019, testing centers are gone! The four different continuous certification examinations will be internet based examinations. For the month of April 2019 diplomates will be able to take the examination, at home, at their office or at Starbucks. You can take the examination in your scrubs, jeans or pajamas. Diplomates will be able to access their desired modular exam through a secure login, for as long as they want and as many times as they like during the month.

The study guide will now be incorporated into the examination. Diplomates will access and answer a question. They will then be shown the rationale for the question. If their original answer was incorrect, they will be given a second chance to answer the question prior to being scored. The Board feels that its role is to assess for knowledge gaps and direct diplomates to resources to correct deficiencies, not to penalize diplomates. The MOC-PS Study Guides (distributed by the ASPS on the PSEN) have been responsible for the Board's extremely low failure rate on the MOC examinations of approximately 4%. Going forward, not only will the rationales be included but links to educational resources will be provided by the appropriate specialty society.

#### **Moving Forward**

Adult learning studies have shown that very little new information is retained by cramming at the last minute for an examination. Instead, better retention of knowledge is achieved by repeated exposure to new knowledge. ABPS embraces this concept and will evolve its knowledge assessment into a Longitudinal Learning pilot program starting in 2019. Annual knowledge check-ins of 30 questions will be administered as part

of the continuous certification program. The question format will be the same as the 10-year examination; review and answer a question, presentation of the rationale and a second opportunity to answer if necessary. Satisfactory performance on the ABPS Longitudinal Learning Assessment program for 8 years of the 10 year cycle will result in an exemption from the 10 year examination.

Knowledge gaps, identified through the initial 30 questions, will lead to a smaller package of questions later that same year to reinforce the

learning that occurred in April. This annual knowledge check-in will allow the Board to assess the most current topics and provide links to the most current learning resources. By identifying knowledge gaps and connecting the diplomate to the best resources our societies have, the Board hopes to "raise all ships" and propel the specialty forward.

The American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) approved a Pilot study of the new ABPS Longitudinal Learning Assessment program. The ABMS is requesting data supporting that performance on the ABPS Longitudinal Learning Assessment program predicts performance on the 10 year examination. ABPS will be comparing the performance of diplomates who took the MOC exam in years 2016, 2017 and 2018 to their performance on the new Longitudinal Learning Assessment. Statistical analysis of the performance on both examinations will be presented to ABMS in 2022. Until the pilot study is approved, LLA will remain voluntary. The 10-year internet based exam will be required.

#### Additional Changes

The ABPS will eliminate the confusing a la carte set of fees it has used in the past and convert to a single annual fee that covers all continuous certification activities. To emphasize its commitment to reduce cost and burden to the diplomates, the ABPS will reduce the total fees for MOC by 15%, bringing the cost down to just \$395.00 per year. The Board is so committed to minimizing the costs for diplomates that it has reached into reserve funds to bring about the initial discount.

The burden of documentation will also be reduced. The frequency of both the assessment of Professional Standing and Practice Improvement (Tracer procedures) will be reduced from 3 times per 10 year cycle to just twice. Additionally, numerous activities that diplomates are already doing at their institutions, as part of office surgery certification or as part of Quality Improvement, will now be accepted in place of the tracer procedures.

Look for ABPS updates throughout 2018 that explain in greater detail all of the changes occurring with continuous certification. Your Board is working hard to make continuous certification more meaningful and less erroneous. Send comments to <u>staff@abplasticsurgery.org</u>.

Attention Diplomates – the validity of your current certificate will not be affected by the ABPS effort to reduce the burden of examination fees by converting to an annual fee collection regimen and by the transition to a more continuous certification process effective January 1, 2019. All certificates remain valid through their current expiration date. The Board will continue to work to improve the certification process including the implementation of the new continuous certification program and will continue to work toward reducing fees and reporting requirements while maintaining professionalism, practice improvement, and cognitive assessment throughout the certification cycle. Refer to Executive Director report on this page and MOC-PS Highlights on page 15 for details.

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# News from the Secretary-Treasurer

Joseph J. Disa, M.D.

The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. extends sincere appreciation to the following Directors for their dedicated service to the Board. All Directors are volunteers who serve without remuneration.

### **Special Recognition**

#### Kevin E. Behrns, M.D. .....2013-2017 St. Louis, MO

American Board of Surgery Representative Committees: By-Laws and Publications, Credentials and Requirements, Ethics

#### Jeffrey M. Kenkel, M.D. .....2011-2017 Dallas, TX

Committees:

By-Laws and Publications Chair, Oral Examination, Maintenance of Certification, Cosmetic Advisory Council Chair

#### Donald R. Mackay, M.D. .....2010-2017 Hershey, PA

Officer of the Board: Chair 2016-2017, Chair-Elect 2015-2016, Vice-Chair 2014-2015 Committees:

Credentials and Requirements, Oral Examination, Maintenance of Certification Chair, Plastic Surgery Within the Head and Neck Chair, Ethics, Budget and Finance, Executive Committee, Craniomaxillofacial Advisory Council

#### Charles N. Verheyden, M.D. .....2011-2017 Temple, TX

Committees:

Credentials and Requirements, Written Examination Chair, Ethics, Budget and Finance, Executive Committee

# FEMALE DIPLOMATES

The Board currently has 1,032 active female plastic surgeons, which is 15% of active diplomates. The first female plastic surgeon, Kathryn Lyle Stephenson, M.D., was certified by the Board in 1950.



Female Oral Examiners, Phoenix, Arizona, November 2017



Advisory Council Members, former and current, who examined at the 2017 Oral Examination, Phoenix, Arizona

# 2017 – 2018 Advisory Council Members

The Advisory Council Members listed below were nominated from the American Association of Plastic Surgeons (AAPS), the American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS), the American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery (ASAPS), the American Association for Hand Surgery (AAHS), the American Society of Craniofacial Surgeons (ASCFS), the American Society for Surgery of the Hand (ASSH), the American Society of Maxillofacial Surgeons (ASMS), and the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery (ASRM). This year the Board expanded the number of Advisory Council members to aide with the work of the Board.

The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. would like to acknowledge the Advisory Council members for their dedication, hard work and significant contributions throughout the year. The Advisory Council members are crucial to the development of the Written Examination and attend the annual Item Review Session in Phoenix, Arizona. They also participate in the Standard Setting Exercise as needed for psychometric analysis of the MOC Examination contributing to the validity of the examination administration.

The Advisory Council is divided into four subgroups.

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Current Academic Appointment:

Administrative Titles:

Leadership and Editorial

Fellowship:

**Positions:** 

**General Surgery Residency:** 

Plastic Surgery Residency:

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Emory University

Center



Felmont F. Eaves, III, M.D. Atlanta, GA



Joan E. Lipa, M.D. Toronto, Ontario, Canada

P	Positions: Board Certification:	Surgery Journal; Chair, ASAPS Patient Safety Committee Diplomate, American Board of Surgery 1993, Diplomate, American Board of Plastic Surgery 1996, MOC-PS 2005 and 2015
	Medical School: Internship:	Western University, London, Ontario, Canada Comprehensive Surgery, The Toronto Hospital (Toronto General Hospital and Toronto Western Hospital), Toronto, Ontario, Canada
	Plastic Surgery Residency: Fellowships:	University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada Research Fellow in Plastic Surgery, The Hospital for Sick Children, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, Clinical Fellow in Microvascular Reconstructive Surgery, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX
	Current Academic Appointment:	Associate Professor, Department of Surgery, University of Toronto, Canada, Active Staff, Division of Plastic Surgery, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
	Administrative Titles:	Fellowship Director, Oncologic and Microvascular Reconstructive Surgery at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Toronto, Canada
	Leadership and Editorial Positions:	Senior Resident Education/Residency Program Committee, Division of Plastic Surgery, University of Toronto, Canada, Chair, Women's Microsurgery Group, ASRM, Breast Subcommittee IC Chair, Plastic Surgery The Meeting, ASPS, Reviewer: Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, Plastic
	Board Certification:	and Reconstructive Surgery Diplomate, American Board of Plastic Surgery 2002, MOC-PS 2012, Fellow, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada 2000
	Medical School: General Surgery Residency: Current Academic Appointment: Administrative Titles: Leadership and Editorial	Harvard Medical School University of Michigan Medical Center Robert H. Hux MD Professor of Surgery, University of Florida College of Medicine, Gainesville Florida. Vice Chairman for Education, Department of Surgery. Surgery Residency Program Director Medical Director, UF Health and Shands Center for Experiential Learning, University of Florida. Assistant Chief Surgical Service, North Florida/ South Georgia VA Medical Center. Director, American Board of Surgery. Member, General Surgery
	Positions: Board Certification:	Residency Committee, General Surgery Advisory Committee, ABSITE Committee, Vice Chair for Curricular review, ACS, APDS, ASE Prep Curriculum. Treasurer, Association of VA Surgeons Diplomate, American Board of Surgery 2000, MOC 2009 and 2016

University of Tennessee Health Science Center

Professor of Surgery, Emory University

Parkland Hospital/University of Texas Southwestern at Dallas

Aesthetic and Endoscopic Plastic Surgery, Emory University

Director, Emory Aesthetic Center; Director, EAC Ambulatory Surgery

Past President, American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery (ASAPS);

Trustee, ASAPS; Editorial Board and EBM Section Editor, Aesthetic

**Medical School:** 

Current Academic

Administrative Titles:

Leadership and Editorial

**Board Certification:** 

Fellowship:

Positions:

Appointment:



George A. Sarosi, Jr., M.D.

Gainesville, FL

Peter J. Taub, M.D. New York, NY

Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York, NY **General Surgery Residency:** Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, NY Plastic Surgery Residency: David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, Los Angeles, CA Craniofacial Surgery, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, Los Angeles, CA Professor, Surgery, Pediatrics, Dentistry, Neurosurgery, and Medical Education, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, NY Program Director, Plastic Surgery Residency Training Program, Chief, Craniomaxillofacial Surgery, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. Chief, Pediatric Plastic Surgery; Director, Mount Sinai Cleft and Craniofacial Center; Director, Mount Sinai Vascular Anomalies Program, Kravis Children's Hospital at Mount Sinai Fellow, American College of Surgeons; Fellow, American Academy of Pediatrics; Board Member, Mount Sinai Institutional Physician's Association; Member, Mount Sinai Institute for Medical Education; Member, Mount Sinai GME Committee; Co-Chair, Mount Sinai GME surgical subcommittee; Member, AAPS Issues Committee; Past-Chair, American Association Pediatric Plastic Surgeons and the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Plastic Surgeons; Member, American Cleft Palate

Board of Plastic Surgery 2003, MOC-PS 2011

Association; Member, Coordinators Committee, American Council of Academic Plastic Surgeons; Member, American Society of Craniofacial Surgery; President-elect, American Society of Maxillofacial Surgeons; Member, ASPS Scientific Program Committee; Past-President, Plastic Surgery Research Council; Vice-President, NESPS Trustee, New York Regional Society of Plastic Surgeons; Associate Editor, Head and Neck section, Annals of Plastic Surgery; Chairman, Komedyplast Surgical Charity Diplomate, American Board of Surgery 2000 and 2009, Diplomate, American

#### **ADVERTISING – Board Eligible**

Effective January 1, 2017, the Board approved that candidates may advertise "board eligible" while in the ABPS examination process after receiving an application approval letter. The term "board eligible" may be used until admissibility to the ABPS examination process expires. Candidates and diplomates are NOT permitted to use the Board's Logo.

The Board welcomes its diplomates to report any false, misleading or deceptive advertising to the Board Office. For example, use of the Board's trademarked logo on a website.

#### THE BOARD'S TRADEMARKED LOGO

The use of the Board's Logo is exclusive for business of the Board only and **is not** permitted for any other purpose. Diplomates should remove this logo from all practice websites and materials. Please notify your web vendor. The Board appreciates the cooperation of all diplomates.

The Board is currently working on the development of a logo to allow diplomates to represent themselves as ABPS Board Certified Plastic Surgeons.

More to come as details are finalized.



#### **THE ABMS STARMARK LOGO**

The American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) Starmark<sup>\*</sup> logo is allowed for use by each diplomate who participates in the MOC<sup>®</sup> program. A sample of the Starmark<sup>®</sup> logo is below. The Board encourages those who qualify to the logo on public use communications such as letterhead, websites, etc. Logo files are available for download on the MOC landing page.





# **In Recognition**

The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. gratefully acknowledges the contributions and commitment of those plastic surgeons who served as Item Writers for the Written and Hand Examinations, as well as those who served as Examiners and Evaluators for the Oral Examination.

#### 2018 WRITTEN EXAMINATION ITEM WRITERS Nominees and/or Advisory

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### **2018 EXAMINATION DATES & LOCATIONS**

#### Maintenance of Certification in Plastic Surgery (MOC-PS®) Examination

April 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018 - Computer Based Test at Prometric Test Centers throughout the United States and Canada

#### Hand Surgery Examination

August 29, 2018, Wednesday - Computer Based Test at Prometric Test Centers throughout the United States and Canada

#### Hand Surgery Recertification Examination

August 29, 2018 through September 11, 2018 - Internet Based Test

#### Written Examination

October 15, 2018, Monday - Computer Based Test at Prometric Test Centers throughout the United States and Canada

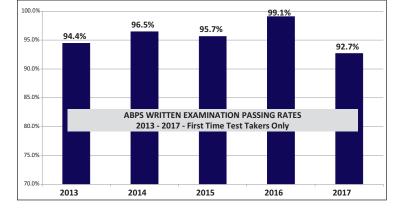
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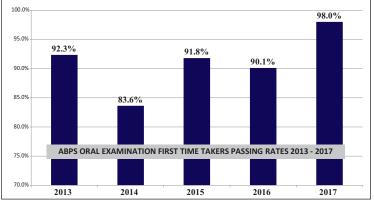
November 8, 9, 10, 2018, Thursday, Friday and Saturday in Phoenix, Arizona

# **EXAMINATION STATISTICS**

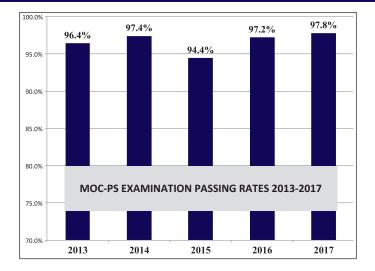
# Written Examination







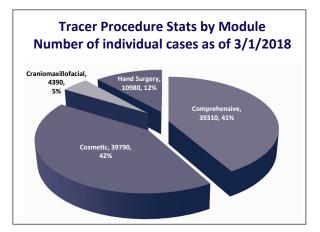
# **MOC Examination – Passing Rates**



**MOC-PS® Tracer Procedures** 

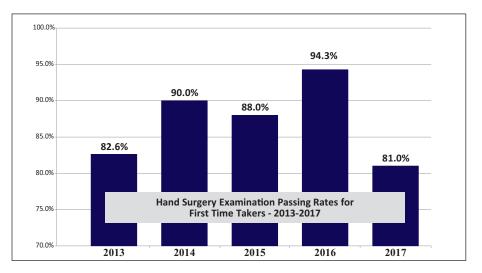
# Top five tracers as of 3/1/2018

Tracer	<b># Cases</b>
Primary Augmentation Mammaplasty	25,190
Reduction Mammaplasty	20,800
Breast Reconstruction	14,310
Carpal Tunnel Syndrome	8,910
Abdominoplasty	7,050

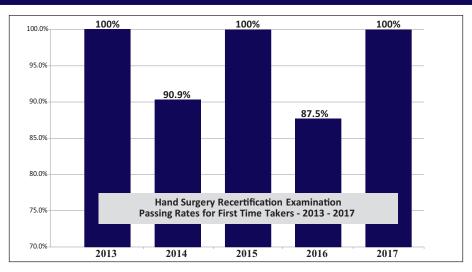


# **EXAMINATION STATISTICS** - Continued

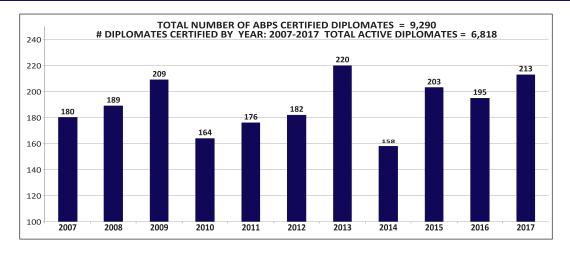
### **Hand Surgery Examination**



# **Recertification in Hand Surgery**



### **Diplomates Certified Over 10 Years**



# **TO OUR NEW BOARD DIPLOMATES**

The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. certified 213 diplomates in November 2017. To date the Board has certified 9,290 plastic surgeons.

William Boggan Albright Oluseyi Aliu Lee Alkureishi Robert Johnson Allen, Jr. **Michael Alperovich** Ashley Nicole Amalfi Anne Elizabeth Argenta Alexis Devon Armour Azra Abida Ashraf Kamran Justin Azad Ramsen Azizi Bindu Bahuleyan **Steven Hugh Bailey** Soumo Banerji Gregory Michael Beddell Jessica Marie Belz Jens Urs Berli Nishant Bhatt Matthew Gabriel Bindewald **Ross Michael Blagg** Brian Newton Boland David Jean-Guy Boudreault Kevin Alan Bridge Matthew Steven Brown **Timothy Lloyd Browne** Megan Marie Burgess Jennifer Ann Cameron **Courtney Anne Carpenter** Jose Antonio Castro Garcia Cristen Maria Catignani David Thomas Chandler Jerry Willis Chao Matthew Dale Chetta Jessica Allen Ching Joshua Hyosung Choo Kai-Cheng Carrie Chu Bryan J. Cicuto Steven Anthony Clark Caroline Elizabeth Clarke Emily Marie Clarke-Pearson Kimberly Ann Clawson James Edward Clune Katharine Ann Connolly Derek Martin Culnan Elizabeth Louise Dale

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Xi Lin Jing Owen Nathaniel Johnson, III Emese Kalnoki-Kis Neelesh Anand Kantak Kenneth Kuo-Ting Kao Sahil Kuldip Kapur Yoav Kaufman James Murray Craig Kennedy Ashley Rawson Kerekes Andrew James Kochevar Emil James Kohan James Ho-Ming Kong Daniel James Krochmal Essie Kueberuwa Yates Snehankita Gurunath Kulkarni Neilendu Kundu Theodore Alexander Kung Samuel Henry Lance Nathalie Lavallée Johnson Chen-Shing Lee Michelle Lee Craig Ross Lehrman Erich Stefan Lemker **Rizal Lim** Jeffrey G. Lind, II Joshua David Linnell Percy Hsu Lo **Richard Benjamin Lou** Jacques Alan Machol, IV Herbert Stephen Maguire Umbareen Mahmood Edward Walter Malin. IV Patrick William Mannal **Oscar Javier Manrique** Mogollon Mark Khajag Markarian Alexey Maximovich Markelov Glykeria Martou Andres Antonio Mascaro Pankova **Tim Matatov** Justin Brian Maxhimer

James Leighton Mayo **Chester Joseph Mays** James Edward McCarthy Cindy Marie McCord Mark Hippolyte John McRae Matthew Christian McRae Alexander Francis Mericli Brett Foster Michelotti Arash Momeni Gerhard Salomo Mundinger Nima Naghshineh Nathan Paul Narasimhan **Richard Bradley Nesmith** Wendy Kar Yee Ng Jeremy Saul Nikfarjam Jared Christian Nimtz Theodore Tawiah Nyame Andrei Odobescu Olushola Bidemi Olorunnipa Ellen Beth Ozolins John Anthony Macklin Paro Amit Manilal Patel Anup Patel Shitel Dineshbhai Patel Maxim Pekarev Paul Michael Phillips **Emile Anthony Picarella Charles Alan Pierce David Jerard Pincus** Stephen Julian Poteet, Jr. Tahira Iman Prendergast Roni Benjamin Prucz Benson Joseph Pulikkottil Adam Robert Purzycki William James Rahal Charalambos Kyriakos Rammos Derek Alexandre Rapp **Ross Mathew Ratner** Derek Daniel Reformat Scott Michael Reis Tomar (Tom) Reisler Angel Eduardo Rivera-Barrios Margaret Jane Roubaud

James Paul Jose Rough Christopher Michael Runyan Neil Suresh Sachanandani Alexander Marino Sailon Bernard Salameh Salameh Erick Roy Sanchez Carlos Francisco Sanchez-Navarro, Jr. Karl William Schwarz Amita Rashmikant Shah Sarah Rene Sher Darren Michael Smith Marc Agnel Soares Magdalena Soldanska Janelle Dubbins Sousa Tyler Mark Stall Adam Brett Strohl Jennifer Dixon Swartz Georges Nicolas Tabbal Todd Andrew Theman Tuan Anh Tran Tuan Anh Truong Jignesh Vasudev Unadkat Sai Ramakrishna Venkata Velamuri Rahul Vemula Dev Bharat Vibhakar Pedro Vieira Ida Janelle Wagner Lindsey Wong Webb Shenita Marie White Anthony Joseph Wilson Sebastian Winocour Daniel John Womac Shannon Lindsay Wong

Wendy Wing-Heen Wong

Arezou Tory Yaghoubian

Jamie Christine Zampell

David Vincent Yonick

Sarosh Naz Zafar

Eric Jason Wright

Chadwick Wu

Ginger Xu

#### **BOARD WEBSITE**

Visit the Board's website at <u>www.abplasticsurgery.org</u> for the following:

Booklets of Information published annually that contain the established requirements, policies and procedures of the Board relating to residency training and the certification, MOC-PS<sup>\*</sup> and Hand Surgery subspecialty certification processes.

- Annual Newsletters to Diplomates are archived in the diplomate tab.
- Address Changes should be updated on the physician profile.
- Board's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary History Presentation.

# TO OUR DIPLOMATES WHO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE MOC-PS® COGNITIVE EXAMINATION

In 2017, the following 394 diplomates successfully completed the MOC-PS<sup>®</sup> cognitive examination. Diplomates who successfully complete all components of the MOC-PS<sup>®</sup> Program, including successful completion of the Examination, will be **sent a new certificate at the end of the ten**year cycle before expiration of the existing certificate.

In addition, \*26 diplomates used the Hand Surgery Examination or Hand Surgery Recertification Examination (HSE) to complete the process. To date, 3,375 diplomates completed the MOC examination process including 198 via the Hand Surgery Examination.

Anthony Allan Admire Ghada Youssef Afifi John Steven Aker James Stephen Albertoli Bernard Stephen Alpert David Andrew Altamira Gary James Alter Jason Ian Altman Andrew Paul Amunategui Damon Philip Anagnos\* Erica Dawn Anderson Pamela Marie Antoniuk Stephen David Antrobus Jeffrey Alan Ascherman Rafael Antonio Avila Abdalla Zackaria Bandak Mark Steven Barlow Mark Allan Barnard Scott Paul Bartlett Adam Lawrence Basner Jaime Adolfo Bastidas Donald Peter Baumann Stephen Robert Bayne **Prosper Benhaim\*** Karim Amer Benitez-

Marchand Della Colleen Bennett Laura Lorraine Bennett Joseph Christopher Berardi Steven Lowell Bernard Ioannis E. Bitzos James Jens Black Mark Francis Blake Michael Francis Bohley **Gregory Howard Borschel** Ian Loxton Bourhill Brian Michael Braithwaite David Alan Bray Earl Edward Breazeale Kevin Alan Brenner Amy Hill Brewster Stafford Roy Broumand Louis Philip Bucky Reuben Allen Bueno John Joseph Bulger Troy Ezra Callahan Michael Bradley Calobrace **Donald Joe Campbell** John Wesley Canady

John Martin Castle Walter Harry Caulfield Christi Marie Cavaliere **Robert Gregory Chandler** David Sangook Chang James Chang\* Paul Elliott Chasan Neil Taicheng Chen Christine Ann Cheng Shim Ching Jeffrey Scott Church James Allen Clark **Ricky Perry Clay** Loretta Mary Coady-Fariborzian Mark Allen Codner Michael David Cohen Mimis N. Cohen Francisco Gerardo Colon Jeffrey William Colver Gerald Foster Conner Rafael Jacinto Convit Matthew Scott Coons Joshua Milder Cooper Julia Frances Corcoran Tracy Leigh Cordray Paul David Costas Cameron Ryon Craven Mark Elliston Crispin Bryan Keith Criswell Kara Kane Criswell **Kimball Maurice Crofts** Douglas Ted Cromack\* Francis Joseph Cullen Catherine Mills Curtin Albert Dabbah Babak Dadvand Jeffrey McMillan Darrow Arthur Joseph DeBaise David Mitchell Deisher Carl Legaspi delosReyes Ankit Rajnikant Desai Eagen Gene Deune\* Luis Miguel Diaz Vincent David DiNick Jeffrev Alan Ditesheim Christopher Michael Dress Eric Isaac Egozi Roger Earl Emory

Scott Jeffrey Engel Venkata Satya P. Rao Erella Willis Goodrich Eshbaugh Karen Frances Kim Evans Marc Charles Fater Michael James Fealv\* Jules Alexander Feledy Victor Steven Ferrari Paul Michael Figlia Rimma Finkel **Beverly Anne Fischer** Jaime Ivan Flores Ronald D. Ford Ida Keiko Fox\* Cecilia Marie Franco-Webb Michael Howard Freedland Mark Edward Freeman Jeffrey Barton Friedrich\* **Gregory Cyrus Gaines** Irfan Ibrahim Galaria Robert Dionisio Galiano Peter Alfred Galpin Paul Michael Gardner Ralph Ronald Garramone Judie Lynne Garrison Andrew Kelly Gavagan Eric Roy George\* Jessica Nguyen Gillespie Michael Lawrence Gimbel Nelson Howard Goldberg **Roberto Gonzalez** Roshini Gopinathan Amanda Anderson Gosman John Henry Grant Cynthia Dee Gray Jon Martel Grazer Stephen Todd Greenberg Arin K. Greene Anthony Charles Griffin Negin Noorchashm Griffith **Russell Hugh Griffiths** Peter Hylan Grossman Philip Eugene Grubbs Paul Michael Guidera\* Farris Farid Gulli Jeffrey Adam Gusenoff Cyril Franklyn Halbert Matthew Mitsuru Hanasono Juliana Ehrman Hansen

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Thomas George Korkos Dimitrios Jim Koumanis Robert Charles Kratschmer Ary Krau Joseph Kyong Ku David Alan Kulber\* Shashidhar Kusuma Stephanie Lynn Kwei Jeffrey Raymond LaGrasso Mark Duane Larson Walter Thomas Lawrence Paul James Leahy Brian John Lee Mimi Leong Larry Cornelius Leverett Sheila Gay Lindley\* **Orlando Llorente** Stephen Bruce Lober Andrew Michael Lofman John Anthony LoGiudice Otway Louie James Emmett Lovett Marc Robert Lussier Dennis James Lynch Keelee Joy MacPhee Sirish Maddali Ellen Anne Mahony Alexander Mehran Majidian Michele Ann Manahan Dev Anand ManiSundaram **Kimberly Rae Marble** Deirdre Margaret Marshall William Jason Martin Brandon Zelph Massey\* **Bruce Allen Mast** David Woodbridge Mathes Michael Kenneth Matthew\* Leo Raymond McCafferty William Scott McDonald Sarah Elizabeth McMillan Joseph Anthony Mele Stephen Eric Metzinger Pierre Ross Michaud Mark Robert Migliori Wendell Gordon Miles **Douglas Marlon** Monasebian Eric Kloth Mooney John Reagan Moore **Ramiro Morales David Erik Morris** 

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Steven Michael Morris

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Gary Daniel Motykie Anthony Kevin Muiderman Jennifer Ann Murphy Thomas Anthony Mustoe Randall Phillip Nacamuli Michael William Nagy Maurice Yervant

Nahabedian Vincent Antonio Naman Rahul Kumar Nath Steven Christopher Naum\* Nicole Lea Nemeth Adam Garrett Newman Martin I. Newman Anthony Hung Nguyen\* Thanh Ngoc Nguyen Tuan Anh Nguyen Nicholas Richard Nikolov **Ernest Young Normington** David Allen Novotny David John Nowicky Sacha Imran Obaid Renato Valencia Ocampo Kenneth Louis Odinet John Christopher Oeltjen Albert Kim Oh Allisyn Okawa Anire O. Okpaku **Robert Irwin Oliver** Michael James Orseck Kenneth John Ortiz Srdjan Andrei Ostric Deborah Pan Fu-shih Pan **George Dimitrios** Papanicolaou **Nicholas Harry Papas** 

\*HSE

Tushar R. Patel Tarak Hasmukh Patel Wyatt Gregory Payne Carl Benjamin Pearl **Roosevelt Peebles** Keith Allen Perrine Kendall Kyle Peters Michael Thomas Philbin Sheryl Garton Pilcher Clvde Edwin Pittman Eleanor Canfield Pitts James Mark Platis J. Vicente Pascual Poblete Mary Ann Powers Jason Neal Pozner **David Frederic Pratt** Guillermo Quetell Thomas Edmond Quirke Shahrad Rady Rahban Usha Rajagopal Adam Gates Ravin Edward Christopher Ray Roman Rayham Robert Dickerson Rehnke Russell Roger Reid Debra Ann Reilly-Culver Alisa Gertrud Rekow Jeffrey Raouf Ridha Thomas Jon Rishavv John David Ritrosky Clara Maria Rivera\* Steven Lynn Robinson Jeffrey Lee Rosenberg Michael Howard Rosenberg Iris Rosenfeld Lorne King Rosenfield David Alan Rosenstein

Alan Michael Sadove Gabriel Ellis Salloum Samson Premnath Samuel\* Sominder Singh Sandhu Russell Frank Sassani Scott Clayton Sattler Bradley Kirk Schaffer Rodney Evan Schmelzer Alexandra Kurland Schmidek Wesley Gordon Schooler Jonathan Scot Schreiber Jeffrey Evan Schreiber Warren Vincent Schubert Matthew Ross Schulman John Malcolm Searles Hisham Mohamed Seify Abdel kader Thomas Sena **Douglas Mark Senderoff** Nathan Alexander Sewell David Michael Shafer Manish Harikant Shah Arthur Michael Sharkey\* Sheel Sharma Daniel Huff Shell James Russell Shope John Venoble Shufflebarger\* Steven Reyes Sigalove Jeremy Adam Silk Sean Adam Simon Elan Benjamin Singer Sheri Slezak Adrian Russell Smith Steven Scott Smith Prashant Soni Rajiv Sood

Michael Lee Spann Alexander Marcus Spiess\* Jason Adam Spector Scott Alan Spiro Pawel Piotr Stachowicz Craig Allen Staebel Matthew Howard Steele Alan Lee Stephens Joel Melford Stewart Michael James Sundine Iliana Elias Sweis Benny Kien Hon Tan John Michael Taylor Anne Taylor Kevin Tehrani Steven Alan Teitelbaum Mayer Tenenhaus Umeng David Thao **Steven Vincent Thomas Charles Hedges McKinstry Thorne Brian Patrick Thornton Gunnar Thors** Christopher Keoni Tiner Sarah Craig Troxel John Michael Trupiano Andrew Evan Turk **Glenn Vallecillos** John Ananda vanAalst Darl Kirk Vandevender Todd Michael VanYe Henry Carlos Vasconez Thomas Edward Vaughan Stephen J. Vega Dale Collins Vidal Anh Quoc Vu John Keene Wakelin

Steven Gregg Wallach **Robert Lee Walton** Stephen Michael Warren Katheryn Melissa Warren Greg Peter Watchmaker\* David Cassell Watts Tyler Russell Wayment Harold James Webb Dean Herbert Weber Adam Brvce Weinfeld Jane Sara Weston Philip David Wey Cheryl Ann White Jonathan Seth Wilensky **Eric Howard Williams** Alan Flint Wise Matthew Whitten Wise Rebecca Sue Witham Randolph Wojcik Robert Edward Wolf Kerri Michelle Woodberry\* William Arthur Wooden Michael Lee Workman Liza C.G. Wu Eugene Chi-Hwa Wu Jeffrey Scott Yager Karen Margaret Yokoo Sheryl Leigh Young Patty Kay Young Art Yajing Yu Luis Alberto Zapiach Michael Zarrabi George Peter Zavitsanos Michael Robert Zenn James Edward Zins Michael Franz Zwicklbauer

#### **Attention Program Directors**

According to the Board's Admissibility policy, candidates must successfully complete both the Written and Oral Examinations required to achieve certification within eight years after completing plastic surgery residency training. Reapplication is required five years after completing plastic surgery residency training. An Extended Admissibility Reapplication is required at the end of eight years. Please help us communicate to your Senior Residents – it is advantageous for them to take every opportunity within their initial 5-year admissibility period to achieve certification.

The Board thanks you for your ongoing attention to the Residency Tracking System. The system opens three times per year and allows each program director or coordinator to review their list of residents, identify senior residents, and confirm completion of plastic surgery training while recommending graduating residents to the certification process. This tracking system greatly assists the Board in verifying the appropriate training for each resident.

All residents should submit the Resident Registration and Evaluation of Training Form in the 1st year of an integrated program and prior to entering an independent program. An ABPS confirmation letter should be on file in your office for each resident.

### **CONGRATULATIONS** TO OUR DIPLOMATES WHO WERE CERTIFIED OR RECERTIFIED IN THE SUBSPECIALTY OF HAND SURGERY

In 2017, The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. certified 17 diplomates in Hand Surgery and recertified 35 diplomates in Hand Surgery. To date, the Board has certified 775 diplomates and has recertified 473 diplomates in Hand Surgery.

#### DIPLOMATES CERTIFIED IN HAND SURGERY IN 2017

Benjamin Powell Christian Paige McCarthy Fox Russell Gerard Hendrick Helen Gloria Hui-Chou Grant Michael Kleiber Amber Rachel Leis Stephanie DeBlois Malliaris Stapleton Suhail Kamrudin Mithani Clifford Thomas Pereira David Michael Plank Patrick Lambert Reavey Michael Colin Rymer Erika Davis Sears Bruce Silverberg Shruti Chudasama Tannan Michael James Terry Sunishka Maithri Wimalawansa

#### **DIPLOMATES RECERTIFIED IN HAND SURGERY IN 2017**

Manushak Amzoyan Damon Philip Anagnos Nabil Antoine Barakat Prosper Benhaim Mark Antony Brzezienski Loretta Mary Coady-Fariborzian Douglas Ted Cromack Ramon Alberto DeJesus Michael Dale DePriest Eagen Gene Deune Michael James Fealy Ida Keiko Fox Jeffrey Barton Friedrich Eric Roy George Paul Michael Guidera Royal Albert Hobbs Bram Robert Kaufman James Edward Kelly Richard Young-Jin Kim David Alan Kulber Sheila Gay Lindley Erik Scott Marques Brandon Zelph Massey Wong Kyun Moon Steven Christopher Naum Samson Premnath Samuel Timothy Miles Schurman Arthur Michael Sharkey Alexander Marcus Spiess Richard Kenneth Vanik Robert Lee Walton Greg Peter Watchmaker Renata Vanja Weber Kerri Michelle Woodberry Asaf Yalif

# **2018 POTENTIAL ORAL EXAMINATION CANDIDATES**

Michael Eugene Burton

The following physicians are candidates **potentially** admissible to the 2018 Oral Examination. The Board will review comments regarding the suitability of any candidate for certification. Please direct written comments on official letterhead, signed and received in the Board Office by June 1, 2018. If you are aware of a potential candidate omitted from this list, please e-mail to <u>oral@abplasticsurgery.org</u>.

Jaime Aburto

**Omotinuwe Moronfola** Ifeoluwa Adepoju Pejman Aflaki Paul Nader Afrooz Aric Samad Aghayan Mouchammed Agko Mark Graham Albert Frank Peter Albino Shoshana Woo Ambani Sarah Elizabeth Appleton **Ryan Austin** Olubimpe Ayeni Olga Sergeyevna Bachilo Todd Abram Baker Zachariah James Barnes Margarita Jose Bernett Michael Bezuhly Nataliya Igorevna Biskup Atanu Biswas Lohith Potineni Bose Jenna Martin Bourgeois Colin Martin Brady Leslie Grace Branch Anthony Winter Braswell Sebastian Michael Acton

Brooke David Andrew Brown Emile Nathaniel Brown Michelle Theresa Buckius

Paris DeSoto Butler **Daniel Robert Butz** Daniel Calva-Cerqueira Hector O'Neil Campbell William Joseph Campbell Antoine Lyonel Carre **Oliver Chang** Jennifer Elise Cheesborough Joseph Isaac Chen Ho Man Cheng Tutu Cheng Amy Louise Chesney Jimmy Ha Chim Lauren Jean Chmielewski Gerald Jeung-II Cho Hao-Jun Jonathan Chong Bryan Tak-Chee Chung Jeffrey Reid Claiborne Elizabeth Bohnenblust Clanton Abigail Maciolek Cochran Justin Brent Cohen Leslie Erin Cohen Stephanie Marie Cohen **Thomas Constantinescu** Devin Michael O'Brien Coon Agustin Cornejo Esquerra Joshua Aaron Cox John Clayton Crantford

Paul Anthony Critelli Christopher Robin Cromwell Karen Michelle Cross Eric John Culbertson **Kelly Bettina Currie** Bryan Christopher Curtis David Daizadeh Daniels Mark Anthony Daniels Phillip Blake Dauwe Edward Henry Davidson Jeffrey Christopher Dawes Tamara Betoul Dawli Deniz Davicioglu Mauricio De la Garza Camargo Gary Edward DeCesare, Jr. Brent Robert DeGeorge, Jr. **Emmanuel Avelino** DeLaCruz **Richard Riley Delaney** Jeffrey Stanton DeMercurio Allison Jo Derrick Chase Dalton Derrick Lisa Marie Dickson Irina Domantovsky Leahthan Faye Domeshek Matthew Edward Doscher Arriyan Samandar Dowlatshahi Cristina Dracea

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Alyssa Reiffel Golas Steven Lars Gordon Priscille Grenier-Vallee James Stephen Gunn John Patrick Guste Luke Gregory Gutwein Edward Hahn, Jr. Michael Hakimi Ziyad Shawkat Hammoudeh Kristopher Blake Hamwi **Christin Anne Harless** Bridget LeeAnn Harrison **Donald James Harvey** Aladdin H. Hassanein Siba Haykal Lydia Anne Helliwell Amani Franklin Hemphill Peter William Henderson John Eric Hershman **Trung Quang Ho** Han Le Thuc Hoang Keith Cahill Hood Nicholas Kay Howland John Henry Hulsen, III **Omar Nomaan Hussain** Zuhaib Ibrahim Chetan Shawn Irwin Kathryn Vanessa Isaac Inzhili Kenan Ismail **Rohit Jaiswal** 

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Kunaal Jindal Rishi Jindal Dana Nicole Johns Sergei Evgeniyevich Kalsow Anil Kumar Kashvap Rahul Kasukurthi Melinda Gail Keener Joseph Alexander Kelamis Nicholas Kim Benjamin Joseph Kittinger Kristen Ann Klement **Casey Trudene Knight** Denis Knobel Peter Frank Koltz Rouzbeh Khosrovi Kordestani Tomasz Roman Kosowski Johanna Ruth Krebiehl Erwin Alfonso Kruger Edward William Kubek Julie Chakriva Kvann Alvin Chi-Ming Kwok Michael Jude LaBarbera Michael Christian Laliberte Jonathan Vincent Landon Vincent Gregory Laurence Huay-Zong Law John Layliev Brian Quang Le James Lee Jeffrey Hunjoo Lee Jonathan Yun Lee Michael Kyu-Haing Lee Karen Ka Yiu Leong Matthew William Lewis Eric Yu Kit Li Fan Liang Stanley L. Librach Jared Jason Liebman Shelby Richard Lies Pey-yi Kevin Lin Angelo B. Lipira Tianyi Liu Yee Cheng Low Kristelle Lusby Justyn Albert Lutfy Stephanie Ma **Rian Adam Maercks** Maximilian Von Malotky Hector Emilio Marcano Marco Andre Borges Rodrigues Maricevich Mark Collin Martin Juan Carlos Martinez Grullon, Jr. Carrie Elizabeth Quinn McCloskey Daniel Edan McKee Laura Doshier McNaughton Ghassan Mehio Chirag Virendrakumar Mehta

Mark Manuel Melendez Lino Frank Miele Suzette Genevieve Miranda Brent Richard Moister Lisa Carolvn Moodv Aaron Lee Morgan Daniel Murariu Horatiu Muresan **Oren Paul Mushin** Purushottam Achyut Nagarkar Sanjay Naran Ryan Michael Neinstein Jonas Allan Nelson Marilyn Ng Binh Thai Nguyen Thien-Trang JoAnna Nguyen Thuan Ba Nguyen William Darden North Rebecca Cissell Novo Aiani Ghamal Nugent Michael Patrick Ogilvie Chukwuemeka Ajuka Onyewu Marc Vincent Orlando Yan Tomas Ortiz-Pomales Laurence Samuel Paek **Ronald Steven Perlman** Reid Robert Pflueger Paulo de Paula Piccolo Yvonne Nicole Pierpont Jacqueline Rose Piggott Virginia Alicia Pittman-Waller Jennica Lynne Platt **Christina Prendergast** Erin Mariel Rada Melissa Anne Radecki Pavmon Rahgozar Surjit Singh Rai Jose Roberto Ramirez Gavidia Jeffrey Frederick Rau Susie Rhee Jacqueline Marie Richa De Arco Rosiane Alfinito Roeder Yoel Antonio Rojas Ortiz Brian Elliott Rosett Millicent Overley Rovelo Craig Burnham Rowin Robyn Sackeyfio Frederick Cortney Sailes Saoussen Salhi Harry Michael Salinas Lars Johan Marcus Sandberg Jack Friedman Scheuer. III William Patrick Schmitt Ajul Shah Darshan Ravindra Shah Safa Elizabeth Sharabi David Andrew Sieber

Andrew Gregory Silver **Robinder Paul Singh** Jeremy Chaim Sinkin Hani Hashem Sinno Sammy Sinno **Richard Woo Siy Kevin Howard Small** Darlene Michele Sparkman Mark Winston Stalder Ran Yehuda Stark **Rvan Carl Stehr** Ian Richard Sunderland Srinivas Murthy Susarla **Eric Swanson** Jordan Williams Swanson Diya Hassan Tantawi Michael Shukri Tarakji **Brentley Richard Taylor Ryan Paul TerLouw** Stephanie Thibaudeau Peter William Thompson **Todd Elliott Thurston** William Donn Tobler, Jr. Laura Kate Tom Rozbeh Torabi **Christina Tragos Baotram Tran** Jared Scott Troy Manuel Genaro Trujillo, Jr. Leo Joseph Urbinelli Sybile Val Meredith Theresa Vandegrift Nicholas Vendemia Ivan Nicolas Vial William Bryant Walker William Mark Warfel Leland Harding Webb **Rachel Irene Weber** Jacqueline Marie Wegge Monica Priscilla Wentworth David Michael Whitehead Ryan Matthew Wilson Julian Simon Winocour **Emily Tipton Wolfe** Anselm Harry Wong Corrine Jui Yin Wong Victor Wai Dor Wong Peter S. Wu Xiaoti Xu Alan Yan Shunsuke Yoshida Grace Lan-fang Yu Elizabeth Gordon Zellner Shuhao Zhang **Georgios Ziakas** Todd Albert Zuhlke

#### 2018 MOC Examination

Scheduling Permits were posted for the 2018 MOC Examination to be held during the month of April at Prometric Test Centers.

#### 2018 MOC Activities

Information for the 2018 MOC Activities was posted in January for those in years 3, 6 or 9 of the 10-year MOC Cycle. An email was sent and all documents are posted to your tracking page. The deadline for these activities is December 1, 2018.

#### 2019 MOC Exam Application

Application material for the 2019 MOC Examination will be posted in June for those in years 7, 8 or 9 of the 10-year MOC Cycle. An email will be sent and all documents will be posted to your tracking page. The deadline for the Application will be September 1, 2018.

#### Upcoming Changes in 2019

ABPS will introduce sweeping changes to the MOC Program beginning in 2019. Additional changes and details will be announced throughout 2018 via email and the Board's website.

• The MOC Exam currently administered at a testing center will move to an Internet Based Testing platform. Diplomates may log in as often as necessary during the month of April to complete the 200 questions from the comfort of their home rather than travelling to a test center. Rationales and additional content for each question will be incorporated into the exam reducing studying time, and an additional opportunity will be given to answer if incorrectly answered on the first attempt.

# MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION IN PLASTIC SURGERY (MOC-PS®) PROGRAM

Diplomates are encouraged to log in to the Board's website to review their individual MOC-PS® Tracking page to ensure they are current with requirements to maintain certification. The landing page highlights the most current items due. The tracking page outlines all MOC-PS® requirements by year and lists deadline dates, status and completion dates.

The Board Office sends email notifications to the applicable diplomates prior to any deadlines. Be sure that your e-mail address is updated in the "My Profile" tab available once logged in to the Board's website. E-mail <u>staff@abplasticsurgery.org</u> if you did not receive your MOC information for 2018.

Once the MOC-PS<sup>®</sup> requirements are met in each calendar year, the following documents are available to download verifying the MOC-PS<sup>®</sup> requirements have been met:

- Annual MOC Participation letter;
- Annual MOC Participation Certificate; and
- The ABMS MOC Starmark logo. Diplomates are encouraged to use this logo on their website, letterhead, advertisements and business cards.



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- A longitudinal learning program will be offered in the form of annual knowledge check-ins consisting of 30-question mini assessments. The program will start as a voluntary pilot study. After ABMS approval, satisfactory completion of 8 annual knowledge check-ins throughout the 10 year cycle will result in an exemption from the 10-year exam.
- ABPS will convert to a single annual fee that is a 15% reduction of the current 10-year total fee structure.
- The frequency of MOC activities will be reduced. Professionalism reporting will be reduced to twice during the 10-year cycle rather than three times. A Professional Standing Update will be required in Year 3 and a Professionalism Audit in Year 9 will replace the Exam Application. The Tracer Procedure Logs will also be reduced to twice during the 10-year cycle, in Years 3 and 6.

Your MOC-PS Tracking Page on the Board's website will list each component with deadline date. Email notifications will be sent in advance of the deadlines.

Please contact the Board Office at <u>staff@abplasticsurgery.org</u> with any questions, suggestions, or feedback.

## Hand Surgery Recertification Examination in lieu of the MOC Hand Module Examination

The successful completion of the Hand Surgery Recertification Examination will satisfy the MOC Examination requirement. However, an Application for MOC is required. Please contact the Board Office at staff@abplasticsurgery.org for all questions.

# 2018 Diplomate Contribution and MOC-PS Annual Contribution

**Diplomates in the MOC Program** – The Annual Contribution fee is mandatory for those who are participating in the MOC-PS<sup>®</sup> Program. Online credit card payment via your tracking page is preferred by **June 15, 2018**.

**Diplomates with Lifetime Certificates who are not in the MOC Program** – The Diplomate Contribution is voluntary. Credit card payment is the preferred method for submission. However, if necessary, you can complete the enclosed form and forward it with a check made payable to **The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc.** by June 15, 2018.

Thank you to those who have already submitted this fee.



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### ABPS Consumer Search – "Is your plastic surgeon ABPS board certified?"

The Board's website www.abplasticsurgery.org offers the ability for consumers to search for board certified plastic surgeons.

Diplomates are encouraged to add the ABPS and ABMS website links to their practice websites. The public can also verify board certification through ABMS at <u>www.certificationmatters.org</u>.

Since 2016, the Board alerts the public to state medical board actions in addition to verifying certification status. A link to the Federation of State Medical Board website is provided for detailed information, <u>www.docinfo.org</u>. Diplomates with confirmed state medical board actions such as probation, conditions, restrictions, or monitoring requirements are notified of this new reporting process. Diplomates are instructed to inform the Board once the action is resolved.

### NEW BOARD CERTIFICATES

The Board now offers a larger, more colorful certificate. If you wish to order a new certificate, please send a check for \$145.00 made payable to ABPS and indicate exactly how you wish your name to appear on the certificate. Allow at least six to ten weeks for the new certificate Orders will be to arrive. submitted at the end of each month. Note that the current Board Chair, Secretary-Treasurer and Executive Director signatures appear on the certificate.

# RENEWAL CERTIFICATES

Renewal certificates are mailed December 1<sup>st</sup> of the expiration year rather than at the completion of the MOC-PS examination. All MOC-PS' requirements must be met for diplomates to receive a new certificate. Look for frequent email reminders regarding outstanding requirements. Since 2015 original certification dates are included on all MOC certificates.

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#### SUSPENSION OF CERTIFICATION

The Board will report certification status as "Suspended" based on State Medical Board sanctions resulting in a suspended medical license. The diplomate will be informed of this action by the Ethics Committee.

#### **REVOKED CERTIFICATES**

To date, a total of 87 certificates have been revoked. The Board revoked two certificates in 2017. Those revoked ABPS certificates are:

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