# The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc.



# NEWSLETTER

#### Annual Newsletter To Diplomates 🔳 February 2014

Chair Report Michael L. Bentz, M.D.



**ABPS Mission Statement:** "The Mission of The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. is to promote safe, **ethical**, and 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."

Beyond its inclusion in the mission of the American Board of Plastic Surgery (ABPS), consistently applied ethical principles should be the centerpiece of the clinical, business and advertising practices of plastic surgeons throughout the continuum from resident learner to practicing attending surgeon. To optimize patient safety, and consistent with our pledge of protecting the public, the ABPS is committed to creating and promoting a "Culture of Ethics Within the Plastic Surgery Specialty." As a part of this commitment, ABPS continues to roll out a multilevel program of ethics education, assessment, and verification. This includes components of residency education curriculum development, Oral Certification Examination evaluation, and Maintenance of Certification verification. The Board has established a dynamic and ongoing process that best addresses and demonstrates the desired attributes of a plastic surgeon who either aspires to be, or is currently, certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery. The work by ABPS public member, director, colleague and medical ethicist Thomas Shannon, PhD, as well as the Chair of the Ethics Committee, Michael F. McGuire, M.D., has strengthened the process.

An exciting key accomplishment and investment has occurred focusing on ethics (and professionalism) education. At the level of early residency education, ABPS is working synergistically with the American Council of Academic Plastic Surgeons (ACAPS) and its President Joseph E. Losee, M.D., to develop a series of clinical ethics and professionalism vignettes that will be embedded in the educational curriculum of all plastic surgery residents. This effort is supported by the tripartite organizations that impact residency education including ACAPS, ABPS, and the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education's Plastic Surgery Residency Review Committee (RRC-PS). These vignettes representing real life ethical and professionalism scenarios will focus on those appropriate for both early residency training years, as well as more senior levels. Ten contemporary scenarios are being refined for inclusion in the appropriate educational time frames. To date these are listed in three broad categories: (1). Doctorpatient relationships, (2). Professional financial behavior, and (3). Professional relationships with outside entities. By beginning the introduction of the importance of ethics and professionalism at the earliest possible time in the plastic surgery career continuum, it is anticipated that ethical education and sensitization will provide a broader perspective as residents' transition from proctored education to independent clinical practice.

Ethics has also been further emphasized as an important component of the Oral Examination process. For the past several years, clinically relevant ethics questions have been embedded in the Theory and Practice sessions of the Oral Examination in an effort to explore and stimulate diverse ethics considerations in clinical practice. While there may not be specific "right or wrong" answers to many of the issues presented, examiners (and candidates themselves) gain valuable insight into the thinking process of candidates during the exam as they work through their personal approach to real life ethical dilemmas. Additionally, following the Theory and Practice Sessions and during the personal case review session when the candidate's own case books are examined and explored, ethics and safety scores receive double weighting, emphasizing the importance of

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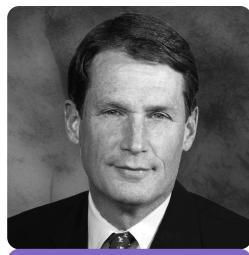
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Absent from photograph is Mrs. Janice Savin-Williams.



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# From the Executive Director

R. Barrett Noone, M.D.

It is always a pleasure to use this section of the Newsletter to inform our diplomates and others about the activities and progress of The American Board of Plastic Surgery during the past year.

#### **REPRESENTING THE PUBLIC**

The Board was one of the early certifying boards to reinforce its mission by developing a more formal relationship with the public. Beginning in 2001, after bylaws changes, a non-physician was elected and became a strong voice for the public we serve. Continuing with this policy, in 2008, two public voting directors of the Board joined us. With the completion of their six-year terms in May of this year, the Board will lose the valuable contributions of Mrs. Janice Savin-Williams and Dr. Thomas A. Shannon, Mrs. Savin-Williams came to the Board from the world of Wall Street. She has contributed guidance on many committees, and was a major asset to the Budget and Finance Committee. Dr. Shannon is an academic bioethicist who stimulated the Board's leadership position in developing a Culture of Ethics for the specialty, as noted in the column by Dr. Bentz in this Newsletter. Dr. Shannon's contributions were valuable in evaluating ethical practice in our examination processes. The Board will continue its policy of receiving sound advice from the public when a new public member will be elected in May. Several extremely accomplished candidates have been nominated by current directors for the position.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SEARCH PROCESS**

Because I will complete my term as Executive Director at the end of the summer in 2015, in February 2012, the Board began a formal process for identifying a successor. At that time the Board developed a search mechanism and announcement of the search procedure. In May 2012, public release and notifications were sent to Plastic Reconstructive Surgery and Plastic Surgery News. Applications for the position were received in September of 2012, following the selection of the members of the search committee. After receiving applications from a large group of excellent candidates, the committee conducted interviews in November 2012, and three plastic surgeons were selected to appear for a second interview, held in January 2013. The search committee held conference calls in February and March 2013; and in May 2013, the Board elected Dr. Keith E. Brandt of St. Louis to succeed me in the position, beginning August 2015. This timing will allow a robust orientation period for Dr. Brandt. Although Dr. Brandt completed his term as a Board Director in 2013, he continues with direct experience with the Board's processes. The specialty should note that the Board's

selection of Dr. Brandt is an excellent decision, and I look forward to working with him during the transition period. He will serve nine years in the Executive Director role.

#### EFFECTS OF LENGTHENING RESIDENCY

The increases in the length of plastic surgery residency to a mandatory six years in the integrated programs and three years in the independent programs affected the graduates who completed training in 2012. Accordingly, the Board witnessed a decrease in the traditional number of candidates for the Written Examination in 2013. A total of 179 participated in the 2013 examination, 60 fewer than those in 2012. Until the residency graduates are phased into the examination time-line, decreases will also be seen in the Oral Examination candidate pool.

#### STRUCTURED RESEARCH DURING RESIDENCY

The Board recognizes the value of dedicated research to future progress by the specialty, and acted on a need to define the amount of research time devoted during residency training. In concert with the Residency Review Committee in Plastic Surgery (RRC-PS), a policy was developed regarding dedicated research time. Beginning in July 2014, the policy will allow 12 weeks of dedicated research during the six-year integrated pathway and six weeks in the three-year independent pathway. These rotations may be included in the mandatory 48 weeks per year of training.

#### **ADMISSIBLITY REQUIREMENTS**

The 24 Member Boards of the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) approved an Admissibility Policy in 2012 which dictates that board certification must be achieved by seven years after completion of residency. Additional time is allowed for boards, like ABPS, whose certification process includes an Oral Examination practice requirement to collect cases for the examination. Our Board published a new Admissibility Policy in April 2012. All 2012 residents, Plastic Surgery Program Directors, and current candidates in the examination process were sent a notice of this policy and it is published on the Board's website. A phase-in plan will be completed as of January 1, 2019. All candidates now receive a copy of this policy with every examination mailing and are encouraged to complete the certification process as soon as possible. For those still in the examination process,

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## 2013 – 2014 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 Surgery (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). In addition, there are two Directors of the Board on each Council. The Board acknowledges the significant contributions of each of the following Advisory Council Members:

#### Comprehensive Plastic Surgery Charles E. Butler, M.D. (AAPS) Michael F. McGuire, M.D. (ABPS), Chair

Steven L. Moran, M.D., (ASRM) Deepak Narayan, M.D. (AAPS) Sheri Slezak, M.D. (ABPS) David H. Song, M.D. (ASPS)

#### **Cosmetic Surgery**

AI S. Aly, M.D. (ASAPS) James C. Grotting, M.D. (ASAPS) Jeffrey M. Kenkel, M.D. (ABPS) Anne Taylor, M.D. (ASPS) Charles H. M. Thorne, M.D. (ABPS), Chair

#### **Craniomaxillofacial Surgery**

Steven R. Buchman, M.D. (ASPS) **Arun K. Gosain, M.D. (ABPS), Chair** Kant Y. K. Lin, M.D. (ASCSF) Donald R. Mackay, M.D. (ABPS) Henry C. Vasconez, M.D. (ASMS)

#### Hand Surgery

James Chang, M.D. (ABPS) Kevin C. Chung, M.D. (ABPS), Chair Matthew J. Concannon, M.D. (ASPS) Michael W. Neumeister, M.D. (AAHS) Scott N. Oishi, M.D. (ASSH)

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reapplication will be required at year five in the eight-year window after residency. For the unsuccessful candidate after year eight, the Board defined a re-entry process which includes increased requirements for those who have not achieved certification.

#### SCHEDULING OF THE WRITTEN EXAMINATION

Because of scheduling demands, the Written Examination must be taken in October of the year of residency graduation. A number of conflicts for our candidates exist during the October month, and the Board is becoming more sensitive to such conflicting dates. Every effort is being made to avoid overlap with the annual meeting of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons, Thanksgiving in Canada, Columbus Day and the dates of religious observances. The future October examination dates will be scheduled with Prometric testing centers after a review of the above conflicts.

#### **MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION**

As 2013 drew to a close, 4,084 diplomates were participating in the Maintenance of Certification program ( $\mathfrak{MOC}$ - $\mathfrak{PS}$ ). The balance of diplomates, now estimated at 2,206, are lifetime certificate holders and, although not required, are encouraged to join the program. Because time-limited certificates were first issued in 1995, 21% of the 224 diplomates who participated in the Maintenance of Certification Examination in April 2013 were from that inaugural time-limited class. This was the first opportunity for those with time-limited certificates to approach the second round of examinations. However, because this diplomate group was the first year, the Board excused them from the MOC activities on the first round in 2008. The remainder of the 1995 group will need to complete the examination in either 2014 or 2015 to maintain certification.

The Part IV Practice Assessment in Plastic Surgery (PA-PS) program has been a great success. Recognizing the need to be more inclusive in the selection of tracer procedures, the Board added the following topics, which will be online in 2014: unilateral cleft lip, mandible fractures, rhinoplasty and wound management including burns. We continue to be impressed that in completing the action plan, almost 70% of the diplomates reported that they would change at least one aspect of their practice because of the experience of practice assessment in  $\mathcal{MOC}$ - $\mathfrak{PS}$ , and the educational value of the evidence-based articles and courses required to receive  $\mathcal{MOC}$ - $\mathfrak{PS}$  credit. This percentage has steadily risen over the years, but still leaves 31% of the diplomates with an opportunity to focus on practice improvement. Diplomates are asked to focus on two areas of improvement for their next MOC cycle.

#### **Starmark Logo:**

We use this section to emphasize that 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 included with this report, and the Board encourages those who qualify to use the logo on public communications such as letterheads, web sites, etc. Logo files are available for download once MOC requirements are met each calendar year.



#### The MOC Certificate:

Responding to concerns by diplomates that the original certification date was not included on the MOC certificate, the Board voted to change the MOC

certificate to include the date of original certification, in addition to those dates that maintenance of certification was completed.

#### MOC 2015 STANDARDS:

Coming with the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) 2015 Standards for MOC will be a robust program by our Board to collect opinions from plastic surgery patients. Each surgeon will allow completion of a "patient experience of care survey," the results of which should provide excellent feedback to the individual physician regarding patients' experiences. Many plastic surgeons receive feedback from hospitalized patients through organizations such as Press Ganey, etc., which will satisfy this new requirement. However, large numbers of us practice in outpatient settings and do not collect formalized, anonymous comments about the experiences our patients have with surgery, office encounters with the surgeon, relationship with office staff, and the like. Many surgeons hire consultants to develop such an informative program because management associations have found that the highest performing physicians use patient satisfaction surveys. With the new 2015 standards in MOC, such surveys will be built into the ABPS program and available to those who are not already participating in a formalized patient survey. In 2014, those in years 3, 6 or 9 of their 10 year cycles will notice a question in the Professional Standing Update about diplomates' current participation in patient surveys.

#### **CONTINUED TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT**

Keeping pace with the world of changes in technology, the Board staff developed an online resident tracking system which launched in 2013. In March, plastic surgery programs verified and confirmed current residents in the program and those scheduled to begin training in July. In June, the Residency Graduation and Recommendation for Examination was completed by program directors in an online format. In October, senior resident identification process was completed by the training programs. This streamlines the ability to enter residents in the examination and certification process after completion of residency, and eliminates time-consuming paper and telephone transactions. The Board received positive responses from training program directors and residency coordinators. In February 2014, annual reports of candidate examination performance on both the Written and Oral Examinations will be posted online. The Board's website and the clinical case log collection site will be upgraded over the next year.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

During 2013, two publications from the Board were produced in the journal *Plastic* and *Reconstructive Surgery* (PRS). The March issue contained an article with Board Director Arun K. Gosain, M.D. as the lead author: *A nine year comparison of practice profiles of candidates for primary and recertification examinations by the American Board of Plastic Surgery relative to economic indicators.* (Gosain, A. K., Haller H.S., Lee, M., Cullison, T. M., Noone, R. B., and the Directors of ABPS. Plastic Reconstructive Surg. 2013; 131: 425, 434e.) The second publication was a supplement to the July issue of PRS highlighting the Board's 75th anniversary. I was privileged to be the author of the history publication, entitled *75 years of growth in the public trust.* (Noone, R. B., Plastic Reconstructive Surg. 2013; 132: 1S-39S.)

#### ABPS CONSUMER SEARCH - "IS YOUR SURGEON CERTIFIED?"

The Board's website www.abplsurg.org offers the ability for consumers to search for board certified plastic surgeons. The surgeon's status, dates of initial certification, maintenance of certification, and whether a surgeon is current or not current with MOC requirements are provided. Lifetime Certificate Holders have a listing in the  $\mathfrak{MOC}$ - $\mathfrak{PS}^{\circ}$  Column only if voluntarily participating, otherwise that column remains blank. There are approximately 196 Lifetime Certificate Holders currently enrolled in  $\mathfrak{MOC}$ - $\mathfrak{PS}^{\circ}$ . Web searches increase each year with an average of 51,968 per year. ABMS also verifies certification at www.certificationmatters.org.

## News from the Secretary-Treasurer



## Kevin C. Chung, M.D.

The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. extends sincere appreciation to the following Directors for their dedicated service to the Board:

### **Special Recognition**

Keith E. Brandt, M.D.	2007-2013
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Committees:	
Written Examination, Ethics, Surgery of the Hand,	
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Budget and Finance Committee	2010-2013
Hand Surgery Advisory Council	2005-2011
V. Suzanne Klimberg, M.D.	2010-2013
Little Rock, AR	
American Board of Surgery Representative	2010-2013
Committees:	
By-Laws and Publications, Credentials and Requirements, Ethics	2010-2013
W. P. Andrew Lee, M.D.	2006-2013
Baltimore, MD	
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Oral Examination, Ethics and By-Laws and Publications.	2007-2013
By-Laws and Publications Committee Chair.	2010-2013
Historian	2008-2013
Comprehensive Advisory Council	2001-2007
Representative, American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS)	2012-2013
American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) COCERT Committee	2009-2014

#### Thank you to Our Diplomates

The Board is very indebted to our diplomates. With your support in volunteerism, in financial contributions, and in valuing the certification and maintenance of certification processes, we have strength and pride as the family of plastic surgery. We are indeed a unique group with a bright future, thanks to you.

## **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 Examination and Hand Examination and those who served as Examiners and Evaluators for the Oral Examination.

#### 2014 WRITTEN EXAMINATION ITEM WRITERS Nominees and Advisory

**Council Members** AI S. Alv Milton B. Armstrong Steven R. Buchman Charles E. Butler Paul S. Cederna Lawrence B. Colen Matthew J. Concannon Lisa R. David William W. Dzwierzynski Felmont F. Eaves, III James C. Grotting Karol A. Gutowski William C. Hammert Peter T. Hetzler James P. Higgins Charles S. Hultman Loree K. Kalliainen Richard E. Kirschner William J. Kitzmiller W. Thomas Lawrence Kant Y. K. Lin Hermann P. Lorenz Martha S. Matthews Michael J. Miller Steven L. Moran Michael W. Neumeister Lee L. Q. Pu Michele A. Shermak David H. Song Peter J. Taub Anne Taylor Henry C. Vasconez Robert L. Walton, Jr. Jack C. Yu

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ABPS ADMISSIBILITY POLICY – EFFECTIVE 2012 – As noted in Dr. Noone's Report.

The American Board of Plastic Surgery, in accordance with the ABMS Eligibility Policy, initiated the admissibility policy for surgeons seeking certification in plastic surgery by ABPS:

Residents who complete an accredited plastic surgery residency training program in 2012, and thereafter, must complete the certification process within eight years of the conclusion of residency. This allows for the practice requirement of one year which is necessary to collect and submit cases for the Oral Examination. Candidates currently in the examination process must become certified by successfully completing the Oral Examination by November 2018 to meet the January 1, 2019 ABMS Policy deadline.

Candidates must successfully complete both the Written and Oral Examinations required to achieve certification within eight years after completion of plastic surgery residency training. Reapplication is required at the end of the first five years of admissibility.

Candidates are advised to utilize every opportunity (i.e. examination administration years) to complete the certification examinations. That focus will help candidates avoid reaching the maximum admissibility limits and being subject to the additional reapplication requirements after five years of admissibility or the more rigorous requirements for the Reentry Application for Admissibility after eight years is exhausted in the examination process. The full policy is posted on the Board's website under Policies.

Errata: Omitted from the list in the 2013 Annual Newsletter: Scot B. Glasberg, M.D. served as a 2012 Oral Examiner

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the ethical practice of plastic surgery. This includes evaluation of clinical practice issues, as well as business and coding practices to demonstrate an ethical practice of plastic surgery. While the exploration of coding practices can be sensitive during the oral examination, this is none the less an important component in the assessment of a candidate for board certification. Before being accepted for examination, candidates will have submitted complete copies of their advertising and marketing materials, including their websites, social media, print ads, and other documents for review by ABPS in advance of the exams, as well as on site before their case review session, if indicated.

Finally, in promoting the longer term ethical practice in the clinical, business and advertising realms of certified and established ABPS diplomates, review of ongoing advertising and marketing materials will occur as part of the Maintenance of Certification (MOC) process. While all practicing plastic surgeons with time-dated ABPS certificates are required to participate in this process as mandated by the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS), know that your plastic surgery leadership has volunteered to do so, too. This includes all ABPS Officers and Directors, ABPS Oral Examiners, ABPS Advisory Council members, and leaders of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS), American Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery (ASAPS), and the American Association for Plastic Surgeons (AAPS).

While there is no question that minimally acceptable ethical behavior and professionalism can be hard to practically define in the various aspects of the contemporary practice of plastic surgery, our program is a template for guiding ethical practice. Most importantly, each candidate and diplomate will need to do his or her own personal and professional inventory and assessment of the ethical and professionalism aspects of the practice of plastic surgery.

The intent of the ABPS's evolving and dynamic multilevel education and assessment process of ethics and professionalism is to stimulate thoughtful consideration of these crucial issues, and to help ABPS certified plastic surgeons navigate daily challenges. It is actually pretty simple: take great care of your patients as physician and surgeon, employ carefully considered business practices, and act responsibly and in good taste with your advertising and marketing. An ethical practice will be a successful and satisfying practice.

#### Alert to Senior Partners About Advertising

Candidates are not permitted to advertise any status with the Board until certification is achieved. This includes use of the terms board qualified, board eligible or board admissible. Senior partners and practice managers should check all advertising with new physicians in the practice. The Board reaffirmed this policy in November 2012 and defers candidates in the examination process for one year for misstatements, however inadvertent, of board status. Candidates are responsible for misleading advertising, no matter how inadvertently placed.

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. Refer to the Board's logo notice.

#### THE BOARD'S TRADEMARKED LOGO – Not permitted for use

The use of the Board's Logo is exclusive for business of the Board only and <u>is not</u>

permitted for any other purpose. D i p l o m a t e s should remove this logo from all practice websites and materials. Please notify your



web vendor. The Board appreciates the cooperation of all diplomates.

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

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#### **RENEWAL CERTIFICATES**

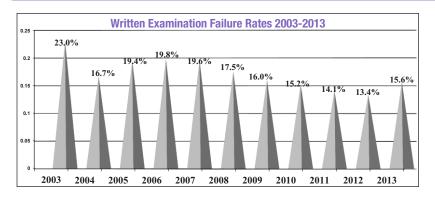
Renewal certificates are mailed December  $1^{st}$  of the expiration year rather than at the completion of the  $\mathfrak{MOC}$ - $\mathfrak{PS}^{s}$  examination. All  $\mathfrak{MOC}$ - $\mathfrak{PS}^{s}$  requirements must be met to receive your new certificate. Look for frequent e-mail reminders regarding outstanding requirements. As of 2014, the original certification dates will be included on all MOC certificates.

## **Congratulations!** ELECTED TO SERVE ON THE BOARD FROM 2013 - 2019

The Board welcomes the following New Directors elected in May 2013 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

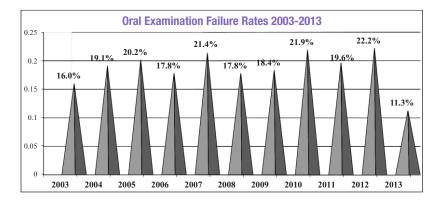


## **Written Examination**



	WRITTEN EXAMINATION			
YEAR	TAKERS	PASS	FAIL	%FAIL
2003	230	177	53	23.0%
2004	214	178	36	16.7%
2005	237	191	46	19.4%
2006	242	195	48	19.8%
2007	235	189	46	19.6%
2008	251	207	44	17.5%
2009	243	204	39	16.0%
2010	230	195	35	15.2%
2011	234	201	33	14.1%
2012	239	207	32	13.4%
2013	179	151	28	15.6%

## **Oral Examination**



	ORAL	EXAMINATI	ON	
YEAR	TAKERS	PASS	FAIL	%FAIL
2003	206	173	33	16.0%
2004	209	169	40	19.1%
2005	203	162	41	20.2%
2006	241	198	43	17.8%
2007	229	180	49	21.4%
2008	230	189	41	17.8%
2009	256	209	47	18.4%
2010	210	164	46	21.9%
2011	219	176	43	19.6%
2012	234	182	52	22.2%
2013	248	220	28	11.3%

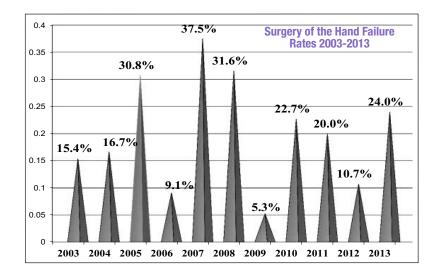
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YEAR	TOTAL TAKERS	PASS	FAIL	%FAIL	Surgery of the hand	Total # Recertified
2003	102	99	3	2.9%	4	173
2004	122	118	4	3.3%	11	129
2005	159	151	8	5.0%	5	156
2006	153	142	11	7.2%	15	157
2007	216	204	12	5.6%	20	224
2008	274	261	13	4.7%	8	269
2009	260	236	24	9.2%	9	245
2010	233	225	8	3.4%	6	231
2011	174	168	6	3.4%	5	173
2012	156	154	2	1.3%	9	163
2013	224	216	8	3.6%	13	229
ALL	2073	1974	99	5.0%	105	2079

## ∰©C-₽\$\$ Tracer Procedures 2008-2013

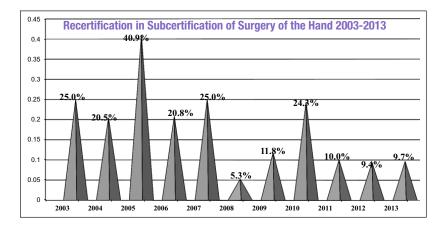
TRACER PROCEDURES	TRACER Completion	% TOTAL	# TRACER CASES	MODULE
Augmentation Mammaplasty	1417	27.72	14,170	Cosmetic
Reduction Mammaplasty	1184	23.16	11,840	Comprehensive
Breast Reconstruction	541	10.58	5,410	Comprehensive
Carpal Tunnel Syndrome	453	8.86	4,530	Hand
Abdominoplasty	404	7.9	4,040	Cosmetic
Facial Skin Malignancy	305	5.97	3,050	Comprehensive
Face Lift	152	2.97	1,520	Cosmetic
Cleft Palate (Primary)	149	2.91	1,490	CMF
Blepharoplasty	136	2.66	1,360	Cosmetic
Suction Assisted Lipectomy	101	1.98	1,010	Cosmetic
Lower Extremity Acute Trauma	51	1.00	510	Comprehensive
Metacarpal Fracture	45	0.88	450	Hand
Non-Syndromal Craniosynostosis	42	0.82	420	CMF
Pressure Sores	38	0.74	380	Comprehensive
Flexor Tendon Laceration	37	0.72	370	Hand
Zygomatic Fractures	21	0.41	210	CMF
Carpometacarpal Joint Arthroplasty	20	0.39	200	Hand
Dupuytrens Disease	9	0.18	90	Hand
Secondary Cleft Nasal Deformity	7	0.14	70	CMF
Total All Tracers	5112	100	51,120	

## **Initial Certification in the Subspecialty of Surgery of the Hand - SOTH**

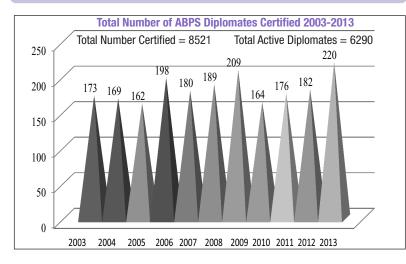


Certificate in the Subspecialty of Surgery of the Hand (SOTH)				
YEAR	TAKERS	PASS	FAIL	% FAIL
2003	13	11	2	15.4%
2004	18	15	3	16.7%
2005	13	9	4	30.8%
2006	11	10	1	9.1%
2007	8	5	3	37.5%
2008	19	13	6	31.6%
2009	19	18	1	5.3%
2010	22	17	5	22.7%
2011	25	20	5	20.0%
2012	28	23	3	10.7%
2013	25	19	6	24.0%

## **Recertification in the Subspecialty of Surgery of the Hand - SOTH**



## **Diplomates Certified Over 10 Years**



#### RECERTIFICATION IN THE SUBSPECIALTY OF SURGERY OF THE HAND (SOTH)

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YEAR	TAKERS	PASS	FAIL	% FAIL
2003	28	21	7	25.0%
2004	44	35	9	20.5%
2005	22	13	9	40.9%
2006	24	19	5	20.8%
2007	32	24	8	25.0%
2008	19	18	1	5.3%
2009	34	30	4	11.8%
2010	37	28	9	24.3%
2011	30	27	3	10.0%
2012	32	29	3	9.4%
2013	31	28	3	9.7%

## **2014 EXAMINATION DATES & LOCATIONS**

## Maintenance of Certification Examination in Plastic Surgery $(\mathfrak{ROC} - \mathfrak{PS}^{\mathbb{R}})$

April 1, 2014 through April 30, 2014 - Computer Based Test at Prometric Test Centers throughout the United States and Canada

#### Hand Surgery Examination and Hand Surgery Recertification Examination

September 8, 2014, Monday - Initial Hand Surgery Examination

**September 8, 2014 through September 20, 2014** - Hand Surgery Recertification Examination Computer Based Test at Prometric Test Centers throughout the United States and Canada

#### **Written Examination**

**October 14, 2014,** Tuesday - Computer Based Test at Prometric Test Centers throughout the United States and Canada. This examination date has changed from the published date.

#### **Oral Examination**

November 13, 14, 15, 2014, Thursday, Friday and Saturday in Phoenix Arizona

## **TO OUR NEW BOARD DIPLOMATES**

The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. certified 220 diplomates in November 2013. To date the Board has certified 8,521 plastic surgeons. Those certified in 2013 are:

Sharline Zacur Aboutanos Demetrio Juan Aquila III Mustafa Akvurek Ali Al-Attar Mohammed S. Alghoul Abdullah Yahya Al-Shaikhi Sonia Maria Alvarez Ralph Leo Aquadro III Bryan Stapp Armijo Shannon Dale Armstrong Adam Christian Augenstein Jason Richard Bailey Robert Bajnrauh **Gregory Nelson Bancroft** John Richard Barbour Ario Barzin Nicholas Bastidas Mazen Ibrahim Bedri Amir Babak Behnam Stephanie Kathryn Beidler Kyle Asher Belek Gaurav Bharti Reena Anjalie Bhatt **Christine Marie Blaine** Christi Lvnn Blakkolb Matthew West Blanton Jason Matthew Blocksom Rachel Olga Bluebond-Langner Adam Keith Boettcher Kelly Michelle Bolden Mark Walter Bosbous **Ronald Patrick Bossert** Peter Niclas Broer Daniel Jonathan Brown **Rodger Hamilton Brown** Louis Seitz Brunworth Samuel Damion Buonocore Renee Michelle Burke James Allen Butterworth Matthew Carroll Camp Steven Martin Camp Clifton Lamar Cannon III Aaron Matthew Capuano Nelson Enrique Castillo Kongkrit Chaiyasate Eric I-Yun Chang Peter Chang Suzie Heejeong Chang Joyce Chi-yi Chen Wei Fan Chen Angela Cheng Chia Jen Chung Julio Alfonso Clavijo-Alvarez Jennyfer Faridy Cocco Thomas Kevin Cook Ross David Cooperman Curtis Nathan Crane Dipan Das Poya Davoodi Sara Rath Dickie Alphonsus Leopold Doerr Jr.

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#### **BOARD WEBSITE**

Visit the Board's website at www.abplsurg.org for the following:

- Booklets of Information are published annually and contain the established requirements, policies and procedures of the Board relating to residency training and the certification, 知のC・知多\* and SOTH processes.
- Annual Newsletters to Diplomates are archived in the diplomate tab.
- Address Changes should be updated on the physician profile.
- Board's History Presentation

# TO OUR DIPLOMATES WHO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE $\mathfrak{ROC}$ - $\mathfrak{PS}^{\mathbb{R}}$ Cognitive examination

In April 2013 the following 216 diplomates successfully completed the MOC-DS\* cognitive examination. In addition, 13 diplomates used the Surgery of the Hand Examination or Surgery of the Hand Recertification Examination (SOTH) to complete the process. \*To date, 2,079 diplomates have been recertified including 105 via SOTH.

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Robert Morgan Davoudi Susan Jane Dean Frederic White-Brown Deleyiannis Michael Nicholas Desvigne Michael Diaz David Bartleson Drake\* Gavin Mark Dry William Alan Dulin Frederick Wilson Ehret Brian Nicholas Evans David Zdravetz Evdokimow Thaddeus Sebastian Fabian John Eugene Fattore James Warren Fletcher, IV\* **Richard Henry Fryer** Parham Amir Ganchi Steven Louis Garner David Scott German Teresa Helen Ghazoul Andrew Philip Giacobbe Steven Mark Gitt Dinakar Golla Shapour Daniel Golshani Aaron Gavin Grand Michael Peter Grant Gregory Alan Greco Daniel Paul Greenwald Howard Michael Gross Manish Rai Gupta Mats Fredrik Hagstrom Thomas Xavier Hahm Michael James Harl Ronald Winfield Hartley Jr. Agnieszka Sylwia Hatfield Damian John Havriliak Naji Emile Hayek Alexes Hazen Jonathan Barry Heistein Kimberly Anne Henry Vivian C. Hernandez Travis Case Holcombe Wally Hosn Robert Scott Houser Thomas Joseph Hubbard Lisa Marie Hunsicker Jeffrey Edward Janis

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## CONGRATULATIONS

To Our Diplomates who were Certified or Recertified in the Subspecialty of Surgery of the Hand (SOTH)

In 2013, The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. certified 19 diplomates in SOTH and recertified 28 diplomates in SOTH. To date, the Board has certified 700 diplomates and has recertified 386 diplomates in Hand Surgery.

#### DIPLOMATES CERTIFIED IN HAND SURGERY IN 2013

Morad Askari John Morton Eggleston III Parviz Hiroshi Goshtasby Tristan Layton Hartzell Richard Louis Hutchison Amy Frances Kells Kayvan Taghipour Khiabani Peter Seihwan Kim Robert Kang Kwon Nam Hoai Le Martin Raoul LeBlanc Ines Chi-Ying Lin Ashish Yogindera Mahajan Robert Scott Myers Roee Elan Rubinstein Simon George Talbot Roderick Maxwell Urbaniak Andrew Yuan Zhang Joshua David Zuckerman

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Michael Wallace Neumeister\*

Stephen Alexander Schantz Marcel Scheinman Drew Evan Schnitt David Paul Schnur **Deborah Seelig** John Toshihiko Seki Joseph Michael Serletti Himansu Ramesh Shah Sanjay Kumar Sharma\* Francis Charles Laurence Sheng Steven Lloyd Shoen\* Faizi Ahmad Siddigi Davinder Jit Singh Tarick Kamal Smaili Tzvi Small Andrew Donald Smith Lane Fielding Smith Jose Miguel Soler-Baillo Jonathan Lee Sollender Armando C. Soto Norberto Luke Soto Michael Stephanides Scott Michael Sulentich Kelly Marie Sullivan Michael Samuel Suzman Steven Andrew Svehlak Vivian Ting Lawrence Tong Neal Stoddard Topham Charles Alan Tracy Gladys Shi Tsao-Ŵu John Joseph Vaccaro Hugh Lai Vu Irvin Michael Wiesman Heidi Dollenberg Williams James Philip Wire Stephen Anthony Wolfe Andrew Jeremy Wolfe Tzuying Tammy Wu June Kar-ming Wu Miguel Angel Yanez Henry Young Khalique Syed Zahir Mohammed Zakhireh Robert Zubowski

#### DIPLOMATES RECERTIFIED IN HAND SURGERY IN 2013

Stuart Flint Baker Mary Ellen Beatty Michael William Born Laurence Harvey Brenner Norman Donald Buebendorf Vigen B. Darian Mark Robert DeHaan Jefrey Ralph-Alan Fishman James Warren Fletcher IV Doreen Lynn Ganos Jonathan Daniel Hall Robert John Havlik Douglas Lester Hendricks Sandeep Subhash Jejurikar Sharon Lynn Kalina

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#### MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION (州のC-沿あ®) PROGRAM

The Board Office will send mailings and e-mail 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 staff@abplsurg.org if you did not receive your MOC information for 2014-2015.

Diplomates should log in to the Board's website to review their individual #1@C - PS\* Tracking page to ensure they are current with requirements to maintain certification. The tracking page outlines ₩OC - PS° requirements by year and lists deadline dates, status and completion dates.

Once the ALOC - DS requirements are met in any calendar year, the following documents are available to download:

- Confirmation of Participation letter;
- Certificate verifying the MOC-DS° requirements have been met; and
- The ABMS MOC Starmark logo. Diplomates are encouraged to use this logo on their website, letterhead, advertisements and business cards.



American Board of Plastic Surgery ABMS Maintenance of Certification Certification Matters

Review the general timeline below for an outline of requirements within the 10 year MOC cycle:

10 YEAR CYCLE:	和மC·沪多 <sup>®</sup> Annual Contribution required each year	
YEAR 3	<ul> <li>STEP 1: Practice Assessment in Plastic Surgery (PA-PS) Module including: tracer procedure, benchmarking report, MOC-approved CME, action plan.</li> <li>STEP 2: Professional Standing Update including CME report(s). Additional documentation required if selected for audit.</li> </ul>	
YEAR 6	STEPS 1 & 2: PA-PS Module & Professional Standing	
YEAR 7, 8 OR 9	Examination Application and 6 month Case List compilation.	
YEAR 9	STEPS 1 & 2: PA-PS Module and Professional Standing	
YEAR 8, 9 OR 10	∰@C-₽\$® April Computer Based Test (CBT)	
YEAR 10	和@C-沪多 <sup>®</sup> Certificates mailed to those who successfully completed the 10 year cycle	

#### This Year for MOC - DS.

#### 2014 Examination

Diplomates taking the April 2014 #OC - PS" Examination, with approved applications and reply forms on file, will receive scheduling permits by February 28th. The Computer Based Test (CBT) will be administered throughout the month of April at Prometric® Test Centers in the U.S. and Canada.

The American Medical Association (AMA) Physician Recognition Awards Program provides 60 Category I CME credits for the successful completion of initial certification, maintenance of certification and hand surgery examinations. Contact the AMA at www.ama-assn.org for details.

#### 2015 Exam Application

Diplomates originally certified in 2005, 2006 or 2007 are eligible to submit the on-line Application and Clinical Case Log for the April 2015 #OC - PS Examination. The Application and Clinical Case Log must both be finalized by September 5, 2014.

#### 2014 Activities – Practice Assessment Module & Professional Standing Update

Diplomates originally certified in 1998, 2001, 2005, 2008 or 2011 are required to finalize the ADOC -静争° Activities by December 1, 2014. Diplomates are encouraged to repeat the same tracer for two sequential (three year) cycles in order to provide a full self-assessment and learning experience for practice improvement. Diplomates will have the ability to access their historical tracer data for comparison purposes and to evaluate improvement between cycles.

After two cycles of the same procedure, selection of a different tracer procedure is recommended to optimize other areas of practice.

NOTE: In response to diplomate suggestions, the Board published two separate booklets for the Application and Examination process and the MOC activity process. The information is now targeted and mailed to specific audiences as applicable.

#### The Board's 75th History Video

The History Video, presented in 2012 in celebration of the Board's 75th Anniversary, is now available on the Board's website www.abplsurg.org in the About ABPS section, click on ABPS 75th History Presentation 2012. Mac users are required to have 6.1 or later and use google chrome as the web browser.

#### Change of Address to the ABMS

Update your listing in the ABMS Directory by faxing or mailing a notice on your stationery directly to:

The American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) 222 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1500 Chicago, IL 60601 Attention: Database Department Phone Number: 312-436-2600 Fax Number: 312-436-2700 Website: ABMS.org

#### 2014 Diplomate Dues and ∰⊕C-⊅S® **Annual Contribution**

Enclosed is one of two forms for reference: a 2014 Diplomate Contribution Form for Lifetime Certificate Holders or the 2014 ∰@€-₽\$® Annual Contribution Form for Time Limited Certificate Holders.

Time-limited Certificate Holders – The #@€-₽\$®® Fee is mandatory for diplomates with time-limited certificates who are participating in the MOC-PS® Program. Log in to the Board's website to complete the form on-line and pay by credit card. You must use your username and password. If you have not already created a username and password, your username is your six digit board number which can be found on the enclosed form. Your password is your last name (this is case sensitive, first letter should be capitalized, e.g., Smith).

Lifetime Certificate Holders - The Diplomate Contribution is requested of lifetime certificate holders who elect not to participate in 册@C-沪多<sup>®</sup>. Credit card payment is the preferred method for submission. However, if necessary, you can complete the form and forward a check made payable to The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. and return to the Board Office by April 15, 2014.

The ongoing support of the diplomates has been gratifying. Since 1999, more than half of our diplomates have responded. The income from this support has greatly assisted the Board in its operations and its mission, and has been especially helpful in defense of the standards represented by the ABPS certificate and development of web-based procedures.

#### **REVOKED CERTIFICATES**

The Board continues to review and assess diplomates who have had sanctions, revocations, etc. on state medical licenses. The Board revoked one certificate in 2013. To date, a total of 78 certificates have been revoked.

Patrick Vincent Graham, M.D. - FL

## **2014 POTENTIAL ORAL EXAMINATION CANDIDATES**

The following physicians are candidates <u>potentially</u> admissible to the 2014 Oral Examination. The Board will review comments regarding the suitability of any candidate for certification. Please direct written signed comments on official letterhead to the board office by April 1, 2014. If you are aware of a potential candidate omitted from this list, please e-mail to oral@abplsurg.org.

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## **2014 POTENTIAL ORAL EXAMINATION CANDIDATES (continued)**

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