



NEWSLETTER

Annual Newsletter To Diplomates ■ February 2016

Chair Report

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ABPS Mission Statement: *“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.”*

August 1st marked an important transition for the American Board of Plastic Surgery; Barry Noone retired after 18 years as the first Executive Director of the ABPS. He represented us superbly at the ABMS and led the Board through countless complex situations. Present and past Board directors established and funded a new Noone Endowed Lectureship to be given at the Association, and presented Barry with a new set of golf clubs-which he promptly used to hit his first hole in one!

Keith Brandt has now capably taken over the reins of the Board. He has worked with Barry for the past two years and is now tirelessly commuting to Philadelphia twice a month. He has read every file in the Board Office and has established excellent ties with the ABMS and the other Executive Directors. The transition was flawless and we are in very capable hands!

Our greatest strength as a Board is our presence as one of the 24 member boards of the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS). The mission of the ABMS is to serve the public and the medical profession by improving the quality of health care through setting professional standards for lifelong certification in partnership with its member boards. This relationship establishes our position as the only ABMS board with the name “plastic surgery” in its title.

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ABMS reminds patients that certification matters. It also requires Maintenance of Certification (MOC-PS) to ensure that board certified doctors continuously refresh and expand their knowledge. Just as you want your airline pilot to be up to date on the newest planes and airports, the public expects that we will also continue to operate at the highest standards of care, safety, and ethics. At a time when medical mistakes are estimated as the third leading cause of death in the United States, it is imperative for physicians to make patient safety a priority.

After ten years of experience with MOC, the ABPS is now ready for MOC 2.0! This will be an ongoing process over several years. The Board wants to make the MOC process educational, valuable and user friendly. We evaluated what has been working and what was not valuable. Improvements began with the elimination of the six month case log requirement previously submitted for the examination application. Costs were high to put MOC in place, but as more plastic surgeons enter MOC, we have been able to decrease the price with reduction of the tracer fee, reduction of the MOC article fee, and reduction of the examination fee. We hope to continue this trend. We have gathered years of data from the MOC tracers and this has been utilized in several scientific publications. We recently voted to allow practice improvement projects as delineated in the ABMS Multispecialty MOC Portfolio Program to substitute for a tracer procedure, and to allow patient safety articles and MOC articles from multiple journals to count for your MOC credit. We want to offer more choice for your MOC requirements.

The American Board of Internal Medicine has faced substantial criticism from their diplomates, but they have chosen to make their MOC a high stakes examination with a fail rate of 20%! Our plastic surgery MOC examination contains 200 questions that are contained in the MOC guide available at ASPS. If you study, you will pass. The MOC-PS examination is meant to be an educational experience, and our fail rate is 3% to 5%.

A new, rejuvenated Board website will take you right to your MOC page after you log in. Your requirements will clearly be flagged and your progress will be easily tracked.

Did you also know that MOC participation can get you CME credits? There is a link on your MOC tracking page on the Board's website that directs you as to how you can obtain 60 CME's for successfully taking the MOC examination. If you go to www.ama-assn.org/go/cmeforms and click the link to direct credit application, you can create an account and use a copy of your result letter to obtain 60 CMEs. It does require an AMA login and fee payment but you do not have to be an AMA member.

MOC also continues to be recognized nationally as a verification of continuous physician development. Eleven states currently accept MOC participation in lieu of the CME credits required for licensure: Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, New Hampshire, North Carolina, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, West Virginia and Wyoming. Thirteen states are now in the process of accepting MOC: Louisiana, Georgia, Wisconsin, Connecticut, California, Arizona, Rhode Island, Virginia, Missouri, Nevada, New York, Ohio and South Carolina. MOC is evolving, and will become easier, more efficient, and less costly.

The Written Examination has been developed in house for the past three years with a cost savings of \$60,000 per year. Each question is rigorously examined by psychometric analysis and poorly performed questions were deleted from scoring. Overall test reliability is at an excellent level of 0.9 or above.

The Oral Examination will evolve in 2016 to include electronic uploading of the candidate cases. Those blue folders and thick rubber bands may soon be souvenir items on ebay! We will test the possibility of using iPads to present the Oral Examination Theory and Practice Session A and B "unknowns" next year. At the November 2015

Oral Examinations, the post examination candidate debriefing session was very quiet with no major complaints. Candidates praised the uniform, professional, and fair way that they were examined.

What does the Board Office do for you on a day to day basis? The Board Office receives 58,000 per year consumer web hits, 4,800 monthly web hits and another 2,600 per year of emails and phone calls from the public concerning board certification of their plastic surgeon. Letters are sent to physicians wrongly stating that they are board certified when they are not. Exorbitant advertising complaints are reviewed and unethical behavior complaints are examined. The Board works in conjunction with the Residency Review Committee for Plastic Surgery (RRC-

PS) and the American Society for Plastic Surgeons (ASPS) to represent our interests as we interact with otolaryngology, general surgery, dermatology, orthopedics, and ophthalmology.

At the May meeting in 2016, we will have a one day retreat to strategically plan for the next five years. The Board welcomes your input and ideas and appreciates all feedback. You can email your feedback to the Board Office at info@abplasticsurgery.org. All ABPS directors volunteer for six years and are not paid. We remain steadfast in our mission 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.

From the Executive Director

Keith E. Brandt, M.D.



GIVING THANKS

So 10 weeks into my new gig as the Executive Director of the American Board of Plastic Surgery, I was thinking, I needed to ask for a 4 month extension to my contract, because nobody should have to start this job August 1st. The selection of the 5 cases for each candidate taking the Oral Examination had just gone out and the Board Office was flooded with anxious calls regarding missing pictures, documents or patients. The exam teams for the upcoming Oral Examination were going through layers upon layers of conflict prevention. Agenda items for the various committees, meeting during the Semi-Annual Board meeting, were piling up. A pipe leaked in the Board Office, requiring all the flooring to be ripped up and the walls to be

ripped out. I received my first hate mail, a four pager! I felt honored that someone went to all that effort for a guy who has only been on the job 10 weeks. Despite all the fires burning, things are getting done with complete composure, well except for that new guy. I remember looking around the office and thinking, this isn't chaos this is ROUTINE!

On an average day the Board Office phones ring non-stop. Four immensely talented ladies field the calls with warmth and efficiency. Melissa Hill, Gwen Hanuscin, Melissa Karch and Maria D'Angelo, although coordinators of their own ABPS processes (Written Exam, Oral Exam, MOC,

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Hand Surgery and Exam Development) all know each exam process and training requirements so well that they can easily handle any question. There is no automated call answering service. The phone rings and you get a real person within three rings and that person helps solve your issue without referring you to another staff member. The ultimate in customer service.

Before starting, I made several trips to the Board Office to become oriented. I sat down with each staff person and said “show me what you do.” To my astonishment, each staff member produced a document with all of their tasks, FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR, laid out in chronologic order. Every tiny detail that had to happen to develop and execute the four exams (Written, Oral, Hand and MOC) without a hitch was right there in print. Whoever set this up is a genius and guess what, she still works here. Terry Cullison, RN, MSN has been the office administrator for the Board Office since 1997. To her, no detail is too small. I ask, “How do we...?”, “That’s in the operations manual”, she replies. “How do we determine...?”, “Look on page 23 of the Booklet of information” is the quick response. “Where can I find...?”, “It’s saved in the server files” she answers, “How do you prepare the budget and pay all bills?”, Terry makes a spreadsheet appear. No scrambling, no hesitation, just everything in its own place.

Three examiners had to withdraw the week before the Oral Examinations. With all the potential conflicts between examinees and examiners, I’m thinking this is going to be a problem. Instead, three previous examiners who weren’t scheduled to attend the Oral Exams, dropped everything and graciously volunteered to fill in. The exams and Board meetings go on without a hitch...except for the Pointe Hilton at Tapatio Cliff’s guest who crashed into the water main of the Different Pointe of View restaurant forcing the Directors to have dinner in a drab hotel ballroom.

This year’s Board meeting was filled with bold ideas for upgrading the Oral Exam and MOC programs. Even though both programs have run smoothly for

years, the Directors focused on what’s best for the candidates and diplomates and suggested huge initiatives. The first goal will be to advance the Oral Exam to a digital format and convert the 3 foot high stack of blue Case Report books the candidates submit on Thursday evening to just a tablet for all three sessions of the exam. The ABPS MOC program has always been the envy of the ABMS member boards but that doesn’t mean it can’t improve. A Board retreat is scheduled for May to completely reassess the program looking for new ways to engage diplomates, make activities more accessible and more meaningful and reduce costs.

The Executive Director position is quite unlike any other position in Plastic Surgery. Every day is filled with activities centered around: certifying candidates, overseeing Maintenance of Certification, defending threats to our scope of practice, evaluating state license actions and dealing with the public, insurers and the government. While certainly challenging, I had the best mentor ever. I learned of my selection in May of 2013 and for almost two and a half years I was able to shadow Dr. Barry Noone as he skillfully dealt with all these tasks. His knowledge of the growth and development of the specialty is phenomenal as he experienced it, at the highest level for 18 years. The respect that he has earned at the ABMS is unmatched. The fact that he was asked to chair the ABMS Executive Director Caucus of all the 24 ABMS boards for many years is testimony to his venerated status.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS TO THE ABMS

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

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I am truly grateful to the Board Office staff and administrator, the directors and the past Executive Director, all of whom have helped me so much during this transition. The dedication and professionalism displayed by everyone involved with the Board is exceptional. So if you're worried that the Board is in the hands of a rookie, fear not, I'm surrounded by the best.

NEW DIRECTIONS

What is the number of certified plastic surgeons who have had their certificates revoked by the American Board of Plastic Surgery? Answer: 81 and almost all for state medical license revocation for unethical behavior. Surprised? The Board however has received ten times as many notifications of State medical licensing actions short of revocation such as; suspension, probation, fines or censure. Many actions are for very serious infractions but the state medical boards react very differently to similar infractions. The mission of the ABPS "is to promote safe, ethical, efficacious plastic surgery to the public" and the ABPS requirements for certification mandate that candidates/diplomates have a "current, valid, full and unrestricted state medical license to practice medicine."

To date, the Board has investigated all license actions received but not publically reported the Board's conclusions. The Board's mission to protect the public demands that. Going forward, the Board must fully disclose confirmed state medical license actions. Accordingly, all state actions will be reviewed by the Executive Director and the Ethics Committee. If the committee agrees that the behavior warrants discipline, the Board will consider a similar action against the diplomate's certificate. If a certificate is suspended,

the suspension may run concurrently with the state medical board action. In some cases, the Board may not take any action against the certificate but will post on the Board's consumer search, *Is Your Plastic Surgeon ABPS Board Certified?*, that there has been an action taken against the Diplomate's license. In all instances the Board will refer anyone looking for more information back to the State Medical Licensing Board for details regarding why the action was taken.

The ABPS is currently working with its webmaster to create the infrastructure to begin reporting license actions and the new category of certificate "suspension." Reporting is estimated to begin in July. The Board will review all actions for the past five years and any action that is still current may be reported. It should be noted that many states have rules that, in the case of court proceedings, no action will be taken on a license until the court case is complete, which can often be very prolonged. Because of this, license action often occurs many years after the actual event. The Board will focus on those infractions that impact patient safety. Any questions should be directed to the Executive Director via the Board Office.

In an attempt to help diplomates, the Board has developed case scenarios that showcase common entrapments that diplomates might be subjected to. These were designed to help diplomates understand the options available to them and to help them learn expected behavior. These scenarios has been included into the Resident Educational Curriculum on the Plastic Surgery Education Network, <http://www.psenetwork.org>. Hopefully by starting in residency, plastic surgeons can be guided by ethical principles and professionalism throughout their careers.

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

The Board's website www.abplasticsurgery.org offers the ability for consumers to search for board certified plastic surgeons. The surgeon's certification status, dates of initial certification and maintenance of certification and status of whether a surgeon is current or not current with MOC requirements is provided. Lifetime Certificate Holders have a listing in the *MOC-PS*® Participation Column only if voluntarily participating, otherwise that column remains

blank. There are approximately 185, not including retired, Lifetime Certificate Holders currently enrolled in *MOC-PS*®.

Web searches increase each year with an average of 58,000 per year. An additional 2,600 consumers contact the Board Office by phone or email to verify certification of plastic surgeons. ABMS also verifies certification at www.certificationmatters.org.

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ABPS ADMISSIBILITY POLICY

The American Board of Plastic Surgery, in accordance with the ABMS Eligibility Policy, approved the admissibility policy in 2012 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 RE-ENTRY Application for Admissibility after eight years is exhausted in the examination process. The full policy is posted on the Board's website under Policies.

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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 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. In 2015, the Advisory Council members submitted items for the Written Examination and attended the annual Item Review Session.

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James Chang, 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

Robert J. Havlik, M.D. **2009-2015**
Milwaukee, WI

Committees: Credentials and Requirements Chair, Written, Hand Surgery, Joint Committee on Hand Surgery, Budget and Finance, Executive Committee

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New York, NY
Officer of the Board:

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Committees: Oral Examination, Maintenance of Certification (MOC-PS), Ethics, Budget and Finance, Executive Committee, Cosmetic Advisory Council Chair

Executive Director Emeritus

R. Barrett Noone, M.D.
Haverford, PA

At the April 2015 Tribute Dinner, Dr. Noone was presented with the Noone Endowed Lectureship to be given at the American Association of Plastic Surgeons (AAPS). He was also presented the Executive Director Emeritus title. Dr. Noone continues to serve on the ABMS Board of Directors.



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.

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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.

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 TRADE-MARKED LOGO – Not permitted for use

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 ABMS STARMARK LOGO

The American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) Starmark® logo is allowed for use by each diplomate who participates in the

MOC® program. A sample of the Starmark® logo is below. The Board encourages those who qualify to use the logo on public communications such as letterhead, websites, etc. Logo files are available for download once MOC requirements are met each calendar year.



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RENEWAL CERTIFICATES

Renewal certificates are mailed December 1st of the expiration year rather than at the completion of the **ABMS**® examination. **All ABMS**® requirements must be met for diplomates to receive a new certificate.

Look for frequent e-mail reminders regarding outstanding requirements. As of 2015, the original certification dates will be included on all MOC certificates.

Congratulations!

ELECTED TO SERVE ON THE BOARD FROM 2015 - 2021

The Board welcomes the following New Directors elected in April 2015 in Scottsdale, Arizona



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Milwaukee, WI

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Plastic Surgery Residency: University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
Fellowship: Hand and Microsurgery, Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI
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Loree K. Kallianen, M.D.
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Hand Fellowship: University of Virginia, Charlottesville
Postgraduate Degrees: MA, Philosophy, University of Minnesota, Epistemology and Ethics
Past Academic Appointment: University of Minnesota, Associate Professor, Department of Surgery (Section of Plastic Surgery) and Orthopaedic Surgery
Current Academic Appointment: University of North Carolina, Associate Professor, Department of Surgery (Division of Plastic Surgery).
Administrative Titles: Chief of Staff Past, Regions Hospital. Past Program Director, HealthPartners Hand Surgery Fellowship
Leadership and Editorial: Past Chair, ASPS Health Policy. PSF Visiting Professor, Editorial Board PRS-GO, Past Chair ASPS Professionalism Task Force, Past AAHS Board of Directors, Chair of Assistant Diversity Committee
Board Certification: Diplomate, American Board of Plastic Surgery 2002, **ABOC-PS** 2011. Certification in Hand Surgery 2004 and Recertified in Hand Surgery 2011.



David H. Song, M.D.
Chicago, IL

Medical School: University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
General Surgery Residency: University of Chicago, IL
Plastic Surgery Residency: University of Chicago, IL
Fellowship: Reconstructive Microsurgery, University of Chicago, IL
Current Academic Appointment: The Cynthia Chow Professor of Surgery
Administrative Titles: Associate Dean for CME; Vice-Chair, Department of Surgery; Chief, Section of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, University of Chicago
Leadership and Editorial Positions: ASPS President, Associate Editor PRS, Editor Volume 4, Neligan Plastic Surgery 3e
Board Certification: Diplomate, American Board of Plastic Surgery 2002, **ABOC-PS** 2012

Congratulations

TO OUR NEW BOARD DIPLOMATES

The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. certified 203 diplomates in November 2015. To date the Board has certified 8,882 plastic surgeons.

Brenon Lee Abernathie	Bryan Joseph Correa	Francesco Gargano
Tahsin Oguz Acarturk	Raul Albert Cortes	Manuel Gigena
Joshua Michael Adkinson	Elizabeth Stirling Craig	Marco Antonio Gonzalez
Sonya Paisley Agnew	Carolyn Ann Cushing	Sylvia Susana Gray
Naveen Kumar Ahuja	Neil Dilip Dalal	Matthew Robert Greives
Steven Benjamin Albright	Sanjay Venkat Daluvoy	Raffi Gurunluoglu
Brian Michael Allen	Wojciech Dec	Andy Allan Hand
Alexander Christopher Allori	Urmen Desai	Corey Patrick Harkins
Andrew Michael Altman	Arthur Edmond Desrosiers, III	Brett Coby Hartman
Sergio Arturo Alvarez	Rafael Jose Diaz-Garcia	Austin George Hayes
Dunya Mary Atisha	Vanessa Dajda Dimas	Theresa Anne Hegge
Jeroen Pieter Balledux	Lewis Arnold Diulus, III	Floyd John Herman
Daniel Oliver Beck	David Wade Dorfman	Patrick Christian Hettinger
Myla Nicole Bennett	Cara Ryan Downey	Matthew Edward Hiro
Aaron Jacob Berger	Natalie Claire Driessen	Elliot Matthew Hirsch
Jonathan Steven Black	Jason Robert Dudas	M'liss Erin Hogan
Jacob Maxwell-Phillip Bloom	Vidas Dumasius	Kathryn Nicole Honz
Andrew Loren Blount	Kyle Richard Eberlin	Ari Steven Hoschander
Craig Ashley Blum	Jason Wesley Edens	Lori Kathryn Howell
Laura Ann Bonneau	David Anthony Ehrlich	Vivian Min-Hwei Hsu
Dallas R. Buchanan	Haitthem Musaab Elhadi Babiker	Duncan Buermann Hughes
Marie-Claire Buckley	River McKenzie Elliott	Kristi Lynn Hustak
Whitney Alexis Burrell	Chandra Varner Ellis	Matthew Louis Iorio
David Shannon Cabiling	Matthew Rodrigo Endara	John Arthur Jarrell, IV
Ruth Nerline Celestin	Ryan Douglas Endress	Nelson Lee Jenkins
Manish Chandu Champaneria	Joshua Daniel Farrar	Nicholas Isaac Jones
Kyle James Chepla	Zachary Alexander Filip	Santosh S. Kale
Harvey Wei Ming Chim	Christine Fisher	Jennifer Schklair Kargel
Benjamin Powell Christian	Mark Daniel Fisher	Sumesh Kaswan
Michael Cohen	Keith Elliott Follmar	Shahrooz Sean Kelishadi
Jessica Collins	Kenton Dodyan Fong	John Collier Kirkham
Fadi Christopher Constantine	Daniel Peter Mazei Fowler	Melissa Ann Klausmeyer

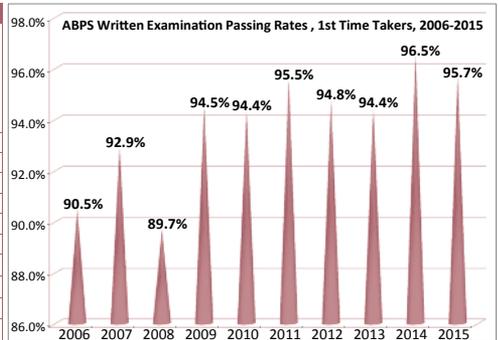
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Audrey Anne Klenke	Trang Quynh Nguyen	Anil Kolkeball Rajeeva Shetty
Nathan Andrew Kludt	Mostafa M. Noury, Jr.	Pak Ho Samuel Shih
Som Kohanzadeh	Matthew Jordan Nykiel	Brian Michael Showalter
Jason Michael Korn	Elizabeth Amy O'Connor	Aleksandr Shteynberg
Dzifa S. Kpodzo	Christopher John Pannucci	Angela Yunyoung Song
Brian Daniel Kubiak	Paul Warner Papillion	Charles Derron Spikes
Kate Ashli Kuhlman-Wood	Joseph William Parks, IV	Jack Baker Stephenson, IV
Frank Ho Pak Lau	Ketan Mukund Patel	Julia Catherine Stevenson
Wayne Nguyen Ledinh	Niyant Virendra Patel	Tyler Clayton Street
Benjamin Levi	Lauren Marie Patrick	Rachel Elizabeth Streu
Mark Mikhail Leyngold	Martin Theodore Paukert	Jessica Sommer Suber
Ni-JuiLiang	Stephanie Lee Peng	Scott David Swanson
Allen Shuyuan Liu	Helen Perakis	Maakan Taghizadeh
Natasha Nicole Luckey	Michael Robert Pharaon	Goretti Ho Taghva
Liana M. Lugo	Benjamin Zachary Phillips	Youssef Tahiri
Joseph Peter Lupo	Paul Michael Pierce	John Ray Talley
Janae Lynn Maher	David Michael Plank	David Madison Tauber
Benjamin Alden Mandel	Elisabeth House Potter	Edward Teng
Michael Dean Marion	Karina Laura Paulius Quinn	Oren Ezekiel Solomon Tessler
Garry Michael Martin, II	Smita Rao Ramanadham	Julia Marie Toto
Matthew Daniel Martin	Gangadasu E. C. V. Sagar Reddy	John Paul Tutela
Jarred Michael McDaniel	Richard Garrett Reish	Cristiane Mayumi Ueno
John Allen McFate	Matthew James Reiss	Prashant Upadhyaya
Bryan Charles McIntosh	Jeffrey Ryan Rice	Haritha Bodduluri Veeramachaneni
Miguel Angel Medina, III	Bryson Gibbs Richards	Raj Mahesh Vyas
Ankur Kishor Mehta	Elise Marie Roe	Jules Andrew Walters, III
Duncan Alexander Goodwin Miles	Jason Roostaeian	Kelli Nicole Webb
Ryan Taylor Marshall Mitchell	Steven J. Rottman	Tonja Ielene Palauro Weed
Rolando Morales, Jr.	Karim Walid Sadik	Katie Elizabeth Weichman
Clinton Strauss Morrison	Rafael Emerick Salas	Tormod Schumacher Westvik
Carlos Andres Murillo	Jeremy Drew Sanderson	Nancy Wong
Jill Marie Murphy	Erika Aki Sato	Ryan Keith Wong
Meghan Hennessey Nadeau	Thomas Satterwhite	Benjamin Chadwick Wood
Kailash Narasimhan	Syed Mujahid Sayeed	Jeyhan Suzan Wood
Rahim Shiraz Nazerali	Lisa Frances Schneider	Cindy Wu
Hoang M. Lawrence Nguyen	Mitchel Seruya	

EXAMINATION STATISTICS

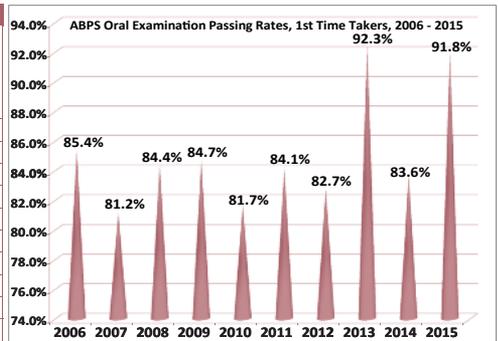
Written Examination 2006 - 2015

WRITTEN EXAMINATION							
YEAR	Total Test Takers	Total ALL Pass	% ALL Pass	1st Time Takers Pass	% 1st Time Takers Pass	Total ALL Fail	% FAIL of All Takers
2006	243	195	80.2%	180	90.5%	48	19.8%
2007	235	189	80.4%	170	92.9%	46	19.6%
2008	251	207	82.5%	191	89.7%	44	17.5%
2009	243	204	84.0%	188	94.5%	39	16.0%
2010	230	195	84.8%	184	94.4%	35	15.2%
2011	234	201	85.9%	193	95.5%	33	14.1%
2012	239	207	86.6%	199	94.8%	32	13.4%
2013	179	151	84.4%	136	94.4%	28	15.6%
2014	225	198	88.0%	192	96.5%	27	12.0%
2015	229	207	90.4%	198	95.7%	22	9.6%



Oral Examination 2006 - 2015

ORAL EXAMINATION							
YEAR	Total Test Takers	Total ALL Pass	% ALL Pass	1st Time Takers Pass	% 1st Time Takers Pass	Total ALL Fail	% FAIL of All Takers
2006	241	198	82.2%	169	85.4%	43	17.8%
2007	229	180	78.6%	155	81.2%	49	21.4%
2008	230	189	82.2%	162	84.4%	41	17.8%
2009	256	209	81.6%	177	84.7%	47	18.4%
2010	210	164	78.1%	138	81.7%	46	21.9%
2011	219	176	80.4%	148	84.1%	43	19.6%
2012	234	182	77.8%	163	82.7%	52	22.2%
2013	248	220	88.7%	181	92.3%	28	11.3%
2014	195	158	81.0%	138	83.6%	37	19.0%
2015	231	203	87.9%	179	91.8%	28	12.1%



MOC-PS® Examination 2006-2015

YEAR	TOTAL TAKERS	FAIL	%FAIL	Pass	%Pass	Recert with Surgery of the hand	Total # Recertified
2006	153	11	7.2%	142	92.8%	15	157
2007	216	12	5.6%	204	94.4%	20	224
2008	274	13	4.7%	261	95.3%	8	269
2009	260	24	9.2%	236	90.8%	9	245
2010	233	8	3.4%	225	96.6%	6	231
2011	174	6	3.4%	168	96.6%	5	173
2012	156	2	1.3%	154	98.7%	9	163
2013	224	8	3.6%	216	96.4%	13	229
2014	271	7	2.6%	264	97.4%	16	280
2015	306	17	2.6%	289	94.4%	24	313
ALL	2267	108	5.0%	2159	95.3%	125	2284

TRACER PROCEDURES	TRACER COMPLETION	% TOTAL	# TRACER CASES	MODULE
Primary Augmentation Mammoplasty	2001	27.37	20,010	Cosmetic
Reduction Mammoplasty	1627	22.26	16,270	Comprehensive
Breast Reconstruction*	783*	7.41	7,830	Comprehensive
Breast Reconstruction (Primary) Expander/Implant*	Included Above*	2.24	0	Comprehensive
Autologous Breast Reconstruction Primary - Immediate or Delayed*	Included Above*	1.05	0	Comprehensive
Abdominoplasty	559	7.65	5,590	Cosmetic
Facial Skin Malignancy	455	6.22	4,550	Comprehensive
Face Lift	218	2.98	2,180	Cosmetic
Blepharoplasty	192	2.63	1,920	Cosmetic
Cleft Palate (Primary)	191	2.61	1,910	CMF
Suction Assisted Lipectomy	144	1.97	1,440	Cosmetic
Lower Extremity Acute Trauma	68	0.93	680	Comprehensive
Metacarpal Fracture	66	0.90	660	Hand
Pressure Sores	63	0.86	630	Comprehensive
Non-Syndromal Craniosynostosis	58	0.79	580	CMF
Flexor Tendon Laceration	51	0.70	510	Hand
Carpometacarpal Joint Arthroplasty	37	0.51	370	Hand
Wound Management (including burns)	33	0.45	330	Comprehensive
Zygomatic Orbital Fractures	30	0.41	300	CMF
Rhinoplasty	20	0.27	200	Cosmetic
Unilateral Cleft Lip Repair	18	0.25	180	CMF
Dupuytren's Disease	14	0.19	140	Hand
Mandible Fractures	9	0.12	90	CMF
Secondary Cleft Nasal Deformity	7	0.10	70	CMF
Total All Tracers	6644	100	66,440	

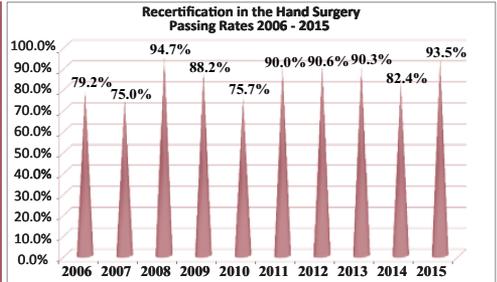
Hand Surgery Examination 2006 - 2015

Hand Surgery Examination					
YEAR	TAKERS	PASS	% Pass	FAIL	% FAIL
2006	11	10	90.9%	1	9.1%
2007	8	5	62.5%	3	37.5%
2008	19	13	68.4%	6	31.6%
2009	19	18	94.7%	1	5.3%
2010	22	17	77.3%	5	22.7%
2011	25	20	80.0%	5	20.0%
2012	28	23	82.1%	5	17.9%
2013	25	19	76.0%	6	24.0%
2014	33	29	87.9%	4	12.1%
2015	26	23	88.5%	3	11.5%

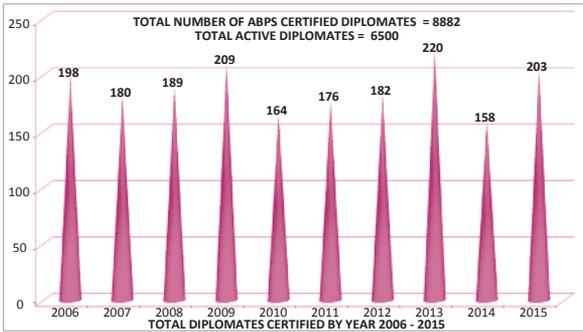


Recertification in Hand Surgery 2006-2015

Recertification in Hand Surgery					
YEAR	TAKERS	PASS	% Pass	FAIL	% FAIL
2006	24	19	79.2%	5	20.8%
2007	32	24	75.0%	8	25.0%
2008	19	18	94.7%	1	5.3%
2009	34	30	88.2%	4	11.8%
2010	37	28	75.7%	9	24.3%
2011	30	27	90.0%	3	10.0%
2012	32	29	90.6%	3	9.4%
2013	31	28	90.3%	3	9.7%
2014	34	28	82.4%	6	17.6%
2015	31	29	93.5%	2	6.5%



Diplomates Certified Over 10 Years



2016 EXAMINATION DATES & LOCATIONS

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

April 1, 2016 through April 30, 2016 - Computer Based Test at Prometric Test Centers throughout the United States and Canada

Hand Surgery Examination

September 8, 2016, Thursday - Computer Based Test at Prometric Test Centers throughout the United States and Canada

Hand Surgery Recertification Examination

September 8, 2016 through September 22, 2016 - Computer Based Test at Prometric Test Centers throughout the United States and Canada

Written Examination

October 17, 2016, Monday - Computer Based Test at Prometric Test Centers throughout the United States and Canada

Oral Examination

November 10, 11, 12, 2016, Thursday, Friday and Saturday in Phoenix, Arizona

Congratulations

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

In 2015 the following 289 diplomates successfully completed the MOC-PS® cognitive examination. Diplomates who successfully complete all components of the MOC-PS® 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, *24 diplomates used the Hand Surgery Examination or Hand Surgery Recertification Examination (HSE) to complete the process. To date, 2,632 diplomates completed the MOC examination process including 145 via HSE.*

Edward Alan Abell	James Douglas Burrows*	Paul Michael Davis
Andre Aboolian	Daniel Murray Calloway	Charles Ryon Day
Nadia Shahbano Afridi	Arthur Michael Cambeiro	Carolyn DeLaCruz
Nawaiz Ahmad	Steven Scott Carp	Stephen James Delatte
Leonik Angelo Ahumada	William Michael Carpenter	Daniel Alexander DeVecchio
Antoine Habib Aizarani-Hallak	Walter Ting-Yu Chang*	Kevin Wayne Dieffenbach
George John Alexander	Jeffrey Kermit Chapman*	Risal Satiaputra Djohan
Joseph David Alkon	Andrew Chen*	Luu Q. Doan
Manushak Amzoyan	June S. Chen	Allen Michael Doezie
Scott Edward Andochick	Stephen Min Chen	Gary Robert Donath
Paul David Angelchik	Christopher Tae-kyung Chia	Andrea Mary Doyle
Goesel Anson	Ernest Sai-Yun Chiu	Brenda McCain Draper
Jeffrey Alan Arons*	Minas Theodore Chrysopoulo	Michael Joseph Duffy
Tracy McDougal Baker	Yoon Sun Chun	Felmont Farrell Eaves, III
Lawrence Samuel Bass	Kevin Francis Ciresi	Joseph Bryan Eby
Michael Charles Bateman	Clifford Pray Clark, III	Anne Louise Edwards
Gregory Michael Bazell	Richard Brannon Claytor	Heather Anne Erhard
Benjamin Wallace Beckert	Barry Joseph Cohen	Christopher James Ewart
Richard Jacob Beil, Jr.	Sherry Stine Collawn	Grant Andreas Fairbanks
Ksenija Belsley	Michael Joseph Conn	Paul Dennis Faringer
Michael Lloyd Bentz	Christopher Weeks Conner	Todd Keith Farnworth
Sean Michael Bidic*	Peter Gabriel Cordeiro	Leo Daniel Farrell
Amardip Singh Bhuller	Curtis Allen Crimmins*	John Bradford Fasano
Alan Marc Bienstock	Melissa Ann Crosby	Neil Anthony Fine
Michael Eugene Blatner	Luke James Curtsinger, III	Danny Fong
Daniel Philip Bortnick	Brian William Daly	Stanley Joseph Foster*
James Franklin Boynton	Dimitrios Danikas	James Lyman Fowler, III
James Andrew Brady	William Hugus Dascombe	Ronald Michael Friedman
Gary David Breslow	Thomas Andrew Davenport	Kent Willis Gabriel*
Patricia Ann Briscoe	Christopher James Davidson	Alberto S. Gallerani
Brian Fred Burns	Stephen Frederick Davidson	Matthew Alan Galumbeck
John Lanier Burns, Jr.	Donen Davis	Thomas Joseph Gampfer

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James Nicholas Gardner
Jose Ignacio Garri
Timothy Justin Germain
Elias George Gikas
Denis LeRoy Gonyon, Jr.
Julian Benjamin Gordon
Rafael David Gottenger
David Joseph Gray
Meegan Minori Gruber
Lifei Guo
Bhupinder Rai Gupta
Robert Randal Hagan
Robin Rene Hamlin
Stephen Patrick Hardy
Elizabeth Spinuzza Harris
Steven Gilbert Harris
Randy Milton Hauck*
Claude Anthony Hawkins
John Michael Hensel, Jr.
Christopher Lee Hess
Neal Edward Hoganson*
Thomas William Horn
Hampton Alexander Howell
Robert Lawson Howell*
Virginia Shau Shen Huang
Eric Heinz Hubli
Samuel Winston Huddleston, IV
Dennis Jay Hurwitz
Thomas Charles Jacob, Jr.
Rupesh Jain
David Alan Janssen
Leilie June Javan
John Francis Jennings
Craig Howard Johnson*
Debra Jolyn Johnson
Ajaipal Singh Kang
Michael Glenn Kanosky
Firas Ruphail Karmo
Jeffrey Reynald Keim
Christine Louise Kelley-Patteson
Sami Ullah Khan

John Yah-Sung Kim
Gary Kimmel
Thomas Edward Kinney
Sofia Krkljus Kirk
Andrew Mark Klapper
Ewa D. Komorowska-Timek
Mark Charles Komorowski
Andrew Nelson Kornstein
Joshua Carl Kreithen
Anna Ai-Tsi Kuang
Anand Raj Kumar
Markian George Kunasz
William Michael Kuzon, Jr.
Daniel Alan Ladizinsky
Bruce Victor Lattyak
Tenley Kristin Lawton
Clara Nan-hi Lee
Dong-Joon Lee*
Gilbert Wesley Lee
Gordon Kwanlyp Lee
Michael Jae Lee
Wei-Ping Andrew Lee*
Linda Joann Leffel
Douglas Mark Leppink
Joshua Louis Levine
Edward Albert Levy
Sheryl Lynn Lewin
Gregory John Liebscher
Kant Yuan-Kai Lin
Thomas George Liszka
Juan Manuel Lopez
Thom Robert Loree
John Todd Louis
Kimberly Kwei-Mei Lu
Ronald William Luethke
Billy Paul Lynn
Debora I-Ping Ma
Donald Roy Mackay
Terry Richard Maffi
Sergio Pasquale Maggi
Jeffrey Robert Marcus

Christopher Alan Marek
Vincent Patrick Marin
David Scott Martin*
Kurtis Wayne Martin
Richard Thomas Martin*
Peter Alan Marzek
Martha Shenot Matthews
Tiffany Danton McCormack
David Mendes
Sonya June Merriman
Sarah Ann Mess
Andrew Daniel Messa
Kathleen Marie Meyer
Joseph Minarchek*
Reza Miraliakbari
Nana N. Mizuguchi
David Michael Monacelli
Luis Ivan Morell
Mark Wayne Morgan
Tamir Mostafa Mosharrafa
Alexander Paul Moya
Alan David Muskett
Reza Nabavian
Brad Robert Nanigian
German Newall
David Adam Newman
Scott Elliot Newman
Navinderdeep Singh Nijher
Katharine Chisato Nitta
Robert Barrett Noone
Leif Otto Nordberg
Laura Elizabeth O'Halloran
Scott Noboru Oishi*
Morry A. Olenick*
Michael Maziar Omidi
Thomas Angelo Pane
Francis Anthony Papay
Gregory Charles Park
Joanna Lee Partridge
Michael Christopher Patsis
Stephen Murray Paulsen

Gregory David Pearson
Richard Alan Pecunia
Floyd Leigh Phillips, III
Susan Mary Pike
Bohdan Pomahac
Juliet Vahid Porch
Andrea Lee Pozez
Barry Harris Jay Press
Sidney Rabinowitz*
Joyesh Raj
Laura Catherine Randolph
David Alan Rankin
Rene Francisco Recinos
David Settle Reid, IV
John Francis Reilly
Elan Reisin
Richard Joseph Restifo, Jr.
William Robert Reynolds
Eduardo De Jesus Rodriguez
Leif Liu Rogers
Alvin Ira Rosenthal
Gedge David Rosson
Robert Eric Rothfield
Claude Cayce Rumsey, III
Mian Zakir Sabry
Rainer Elmar Sachse
Shahram Salemy
Christian Edward Sampson*
William Samson
Julene Braunecker Samuels
Aysel Kurda Sanderson
Antonio Santin-Hodges
Kamal T. Sawan
Robert James Schutz
Robert Nicholas Severinac
Daniel Ivan Shapiro
James Michael Shaw
Daniel Dennis Sherbert
Mansour V. Shirbacheh
Virender Kumar Singhal
Fady Assem Sinno
Jordan David Sinow

Richard Michael Sleeper
Eugene Edward Sloan
Kenneth Ray Smart, Jr.
Rick Joel Smith
Nicole Sommer
Chia Soo
Evan Scott Sorokin
Harris Robert Sterman
Stephanie Andrea Stover
Kinga Eva Styperek-Grohmann
John Blair Summitt
Douglas Edward Sunde*
Michael Ervin Sweet
Arvin Taneja
Morad Tavallali
Gordon Michael Telepun
Donna Gilman Tepper
Scott Thomas Thellman
Barton Alan Thomas
John Michael Thomassen
James McTavish Grant Thomson*
Jon Paul Trevisani
Douglas Robert Trzcinski
Christopher Michael Tsoi
John Theodore Tymchak
William Steven Umansky

Mark Masaru Urata
Francine Lea Vagotis
Karen Beth Vaniver
Steven David Vath
Gary Anthony Vela
Adam James Vernadakis
Lambros Konstantinos Viennas
Kim-Chi Vu
Jeffrey David Wagner
Jennifer Lee Walden
Kenneth Glen Walton
Howard Tz-ho Wang
Maurine Anne Waterhouse
Eric Andrew Weiss
Alyson Delane Wells
Scott Brian Wells
David Mark Whiteman
Robert M. Whitfield
Wesley Garth Wilson
William P. D. Wilson, III
Garrett Andrew Wirth
Albert Suk Won Woo
Anthony Sungjin Youn
Anthony Mehdi Zacharek
Linda Lee Zeineh
Stephen Ignatius Zuniga

BOARD WEBSITE

The Board launched a rejuvenated website in the fall of 2015. A new URL, www.abplasticsurgery.org premiered as well to make it easier for consumers. The new look was designed to be more user-friendly, minimize scrolling, and to provide quick access to general information for the public, candidates and diplomates.

- A new MOC landing page provides an at-a-glance view of activities, requirements and reference documents.

Visit the Board's website at www.abplasticsurgery.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, **MOC-PS**[®] and SOTH processes.
- Annual Newsletters to Diplomates are archived in the diplomates tab.
- Address Changes should be updated on the physician profile.
- Board's 75th Anniversary History Presentation by R. Barrett Noone, M.D.

CONGRATULATIONS

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

In 2015, The American Board of Plastic Surgery, Inc. certified 23 diplomates in Hand Surgery and recertified 29 diplomates in Hand Surgery. To date, the Board has certified 723 diplomates in Hand Surgery and has recertified 415 diplomates in Hand Surgery.

DIPLOMATES CERTIFIED IN HAND SURGERY IN 2015

Karim Bakri	Matthew David Kwan	Jason Paul Rehm
John Richard Barbour	Derek Lee Masden	Todd Alan Richards
Nada Nikolic Berry	Marissa Rae Matarrese	Salem Samra
Anthony Emil Capito	Victor Andres Moon	Manoucher Lance Tavana
Michael Thomas Friel	Keith Charles Neaman	Vishal Dev Thanik
Fernando Antonio Herrera	Shelley Suzanne Noland	Jonathan Christian Yang
Lan Bich Hua	Adam Daniel Perry	Siranush Sara Yegiyants
Mauricio Kuri	Aravind Pothula	

DIPLOMATES RECERTIFIED IN HAND SURGERY IN 2015

Jeffrey Alan Arons	Robert Lawson Howell	Richard Thomas Martin
Melissa Lewis Barton	Craig Howard Johnson	Joseph Minarchek
Sean Michael Bidic	Ramasamy Kalimuthu	Donald Jay Orens Morris
James Douglas Burrows	James Woodfin Kennedy	Scott Noboru Oishi
Walter Ting-Yu Chang	Ravi Veeramasuneni Kiran	Craig Mark Person
Andrew Chen	Dong-Joon Lee	Douglas Edward Sunde
Curtis Allen Crimmins	Wei-Ping Andrew Lee	James M. G. Thomson
Raymond Michael Dunn	James Tseng-Chin Lin	Dana Raymond Towle
Mark Daniel Epstein	Robert Frank Lohman	Peter Glenn Wallick
Randy Milton Hauck	Mansour Vincent Makhoul	



Donna L. Lamb, RN, MBA, Executive Director of the RRC-PS joined the Board for the first time in November 2015 as an ex-officio member. Pictured here with Keith E. Brandt, M.D., Executive Director and Sheri Slezak, M.D., Chair

2016 POTENTIAL ORAL EXAMINATION CANDIDATES

The following physicians are candidates potentially admissible to the 2016 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 April 1, 2016. If you are aware of a potential candidate omitted from this list, please e-mail to oral@abplasticsurgery.org.

Lindsay Elise Abbott
Hamid Abdollahi
William Abouhassan, Jr.
Mouchammed Agko
Jamil Ahmad
Saif Saad Al-Bustani
Brian Christopher Uy Ang
Tyler Mark Angelos
Luis Ricardo Aponte
Brian Haroutune Arslanian
Azra Abida Ashraf
Tomer Avraham
Olubimpe Ayeni
Kamran Justin Azad
Heather Lucretia Baltzer
Jonathan Bank
Zachariah James Barnes
Daniel Matthew Barrett
Niles John Batdorf
Jessica Marie Belz
Michael Bezuhly
Mahsa Bidgoli Moghaddam
Matthew Gabriel Bindewald
Atanu Biswas
Kim Andrea Bjorklund
Carrie Elise Black
Martin Luther Blue
Cristiano Boneti
Ronnie Mitchel Borsuk
David Jean-Guy Boudreault
Kristen Parker Broderick
Ronald Miller Brooks
Benjamin Jacob Brown

Joseph Michael Brown
Timothy Lloyd Browne
Riesa Monet Burnett
Michael Eugene Burton
Parag Butala
Daniel Calva-Cerqueira
Orlando Canizares, Jr.
Michael Paul Carlisle
Courtney Anne Carpenter
Kimberly Marie Carpin
Jose Antonio Castro Garcia
Cenk Cayci
David Thomas Chandler
Christopher Charles Chang
Emme Dustin Chapman-Jackson
Abhishek Chatterjee
Ho Man Cheng
Amy Louise Chesney
Michael Chun Fai Cheung
Bianca Celeste Chin
Kevin Jungwoo Cho
Saeed Ahmad Chowdhry
Kai-Cheng Carrie Chu
Michael W. Chu
Susan Chung
Caroline Elizabeth Clarke
Kimberly Ann Clawson
Patrick Dale Cole
James Bartow Collins
Meredith Suzanne Collins
George Nicholas Collis
John Michael Compoginis
Jeffrey D. Cone, Jr.

Michael James Cooper
Melinda Aliza Costa
Randall Oliver Craft
Karen Michelle Cross
Lily Naz Daniali
David Daizadeh Daniels
Danielle Marie Dauria
Flavia Evangelista Davit
Jeffrey Christopher Dawes
Emmanuel Avelino DeLaCruz
Jeffrey Stanton DeMercurio
Brian Michael Derby
Kunj Kishore Desai
Lisa Marie Dickson
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MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION (MOC-PS®) PROGRAM

The Board Office sends mailings and 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 staff@abplasticsurgery.org if you did not receive your MOC information for 2016-2017.

Diplomates should 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 tracking page outlines MOC-PS® requirements by year and lists deadline dates, status and completion dates.

Once the MOC-PS® requirements are met in any calendar year, the following files are available to download:

- Annual MOC Participation letter;
- Annual MOC Participation Certificate verifying the MOC-PS® 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.



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Certification Matters

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

Timeline for 10 year MOC-PS® cycle

10 YEAR CYCLE:	MOC-PS® Annual Contribution required each year – submit online on the Board’s website www.abplasticsurgery.org	Deadline Dates
YEAR 3	<p>STEP 1: Practice Assessment in Plastic Surgery (PA-PS) Module including: tracer procedure, benchmarking report, MOC-approved educational activity, action plan.</p> <p>STEP 2: Professional Standing Update including CME report(s), medical license, hospital privileges, outpatient facility accreditation, advertising material, society membership and peer evaluations.</p>	December 1st
YEAR 6	STEPS 1 & 2: PA-PS Module & Professional Standing	December 1st
YEAR 7, 8 OR 9	Examination Application Six-month case list no longer required	September 1st
YEAR 9	STEPS 1 & 2: PA-PS Module and Professional Standing	December 1st
YEAR 8, 9 OR 10	MOC-PS® Computer Based Test (CBT) Study Guide available at www.psnetwork.org	April 1st – 30th
YEAR 10	MOC-PS® Certificates mailed to those who successfully completed the 10 year cycle	December 1st

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.

Contact the Board Office at staff@abplasticsurgery.org with any questions.

MOC-PS® Highlights

Board Retreat: The Directors will hold a Strategic Planning Retreat in May 2016 as a follow-up to the November 2014 MOC Retreat. Decisions for MOC from the Board's ongoing assessment of all MOC programs resulted in:

- Elimination of the six – month case list for the MOC Application
- Reduction in the MOC Examination Fee by 10%
- Reduction in the Part IV Self-Assessment Tracer module fee by \$50.00
- Worked with PSEN/ASPS resulting in a 50% reduction in tracer-related journal CME cost
- Initiation of investigations to offer more options for the MOC Program
- Approval of the ABMS Multispecialty Portfolio Program launching in 2016 as an alternate to Part IV for those participating in approved QI projects at their institutions

ASPS MOC Study Guide

The MOC exam study guide offered by the Plastic Surgery Education Network (PSEN) is an excellent reference for exam preparation, www.psenetwork.org/onlinecourses/selfassessments.

60 Category I CME credits for completing the MOC Examination.

The American Medical Association (AMA) Physician's Recognition Award (PRA) and Credit System provides 60 category I CME credit hours for the successful completion of initial certification, maintenance of certification and the hand surgery examinations. Contact the AMA at www.ama-assn.org/go/cmeforms for details. The AMA does charge an application fee, but AMA membership is not required.

2016 MOC Examination

Scheduling Permits were posted in mid-February for the 2016 MOC Examination held during the month of April at Prometric Test Centers.

2016 MOC Activities

An Information Packet and an Activities Booklet of Information were mailed in January for those in years 3, 6 or 9 of the ten year MOC Cycle. An email was sent and all documents are posted to your tracking page.

2017 MOC Examination

An Information Packet and a Booklet of Information were mailed in January for those in the last four years of the certification cycle. An email was sent and all documents are posted to your tracking page. The Board Office can help with any questions! Email staff@abplasticsurgery.org or call 215-587-9322.

Hand Surgery Examination in lieu of the MOC Hand Module Examination

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

2016 Diplomate Contribution and MOC-PS® Annual Contribution

Enclosed is one of two forms for reference: the 2016 Diplomate Contribution Invoice for Lifetime Certificate Holders or the 2016 MOC-PS® Annual Contribution Form for Time Limited Certificate Holders.

Time-limited Certificate Holders – The MOC-PS® Fee is an annual requirement and is mandatory for diplomates with time-limited certificates who are participating in the MOC-PS® Program. Online credit card payment via your tracking page is preferred by April 15th.

Lifetime Certificate Holders – The Diplomate Contribution is requested of lifetime certificate holders who elect not to participate in **MOC-PS®**. 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.** Return to the Board Office by **April 15, 2016**.

The ongoing support of all diplomates has been gratifying. Since 1999, more than half of our diplomates with lifetime certificates have responded to this annual request. 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 revocations of state medical licenses. The Board revoked two certificates in 2015. To date, a total of 81 certificates have been revoked. Those revoked ABPS certificates in 2015 are:

- 1) Lawrence Hunt Foster, Jr., M.D. - CA
- 2) John Wallace Smith, M.D. - IL

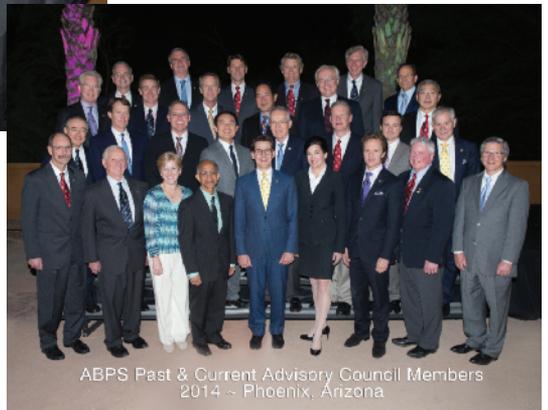
Suspension of Certification and Consumer Reporting

The Board added the status of “Suspended” to the public reporting of diplomate certification based on State Medical Board sanctions.

ABPS will refer consumers to the Federation of State Medical Boards website to further research diplomates with probation or other restrictions to a state medical license.



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