



January, 2019



2019 ABFAS Annual Meeting

Join us this February 14, for our ABFAS Annual Meeting. Held at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in New Orleans, Louisiana, the meeting will begin promptly at 12:00 pm in rooms 288-289.

You will also be able to find ABFAS at the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS) Scientific Conference from February 14-17, 2019 at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center. Stop by our booth in the Level 2 lobby and we will be able to answer any questions you might have on the ABFAS certification process or any of our exams.

Giving Back to the Podiatric Community

The Council on Podiatric Medical Education's (CPME) Collaborative Residency Evaluator Committee (CREC) is seeking nominations of ABFAS diplomates for potential appointment as residency program on-site evaluators. CREC is the collaborative effort of ABFAS, the American Board of Podiatric Medicine (ABPM), and CPME to oversee the selection, training, and assessment of podiatric residency evaluators and team chairs.

Nominees must have experience in CPME-approved residency programs by currently serving or having recently served as program directors or having either current or recent service as program faculty. ABFAS forwards to CREC the names of individuals approved by the Board to represent the organization as residency evaluators. CREC reviews the names and appoints individuals to serve as site evaluators. Appointed individuals represent ABFAS and the Council's Residency Review Committee when serving on CPME-appointed evaluation teams.

ABFAS Diplomates interested in serving on the Collaborative Residency Evaluator Committee should forward a cover letter addressing their experience in residency programs and knowledge of CPME 320 requirements, and their current CV to ABFAS' Executive Director at kkreiter@abfas.org.



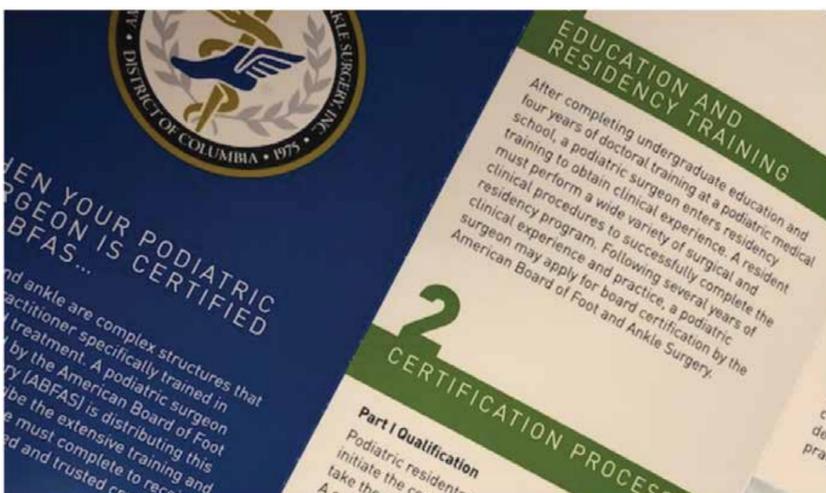
DPM Mentors Network

Have you ever thought about being a mentor? The American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine (AACPM) sponsors the DPM Mentors Network. This interactive network aims to help match pre-health students with mentors so that students can have experience shadowing professionals in the field, giving them an understanding of careers in podiatric medicine. The DPM Mentors Network also supports pre-health advisors and counselors from colleges and universities around the country by helping them locate engaging, charismatic DPM speakers for student events.

The AACPM is currently enrolling podiatric physicians as mentors. If you're interested in becoming a mentor and helping guide students toward podiatric medicine careers, we encourage you to sign up. The AACPM welcomes all practicing podiatric physicians to participate, and they are urging anyone with a practice within 100 miles of a college or university to become a mentor. Mentoring helps you spread the word about podiatric medicine, gives you an opportunity to engage with up and coming physicians, and promotes podiatric medicine-related activities within your community.

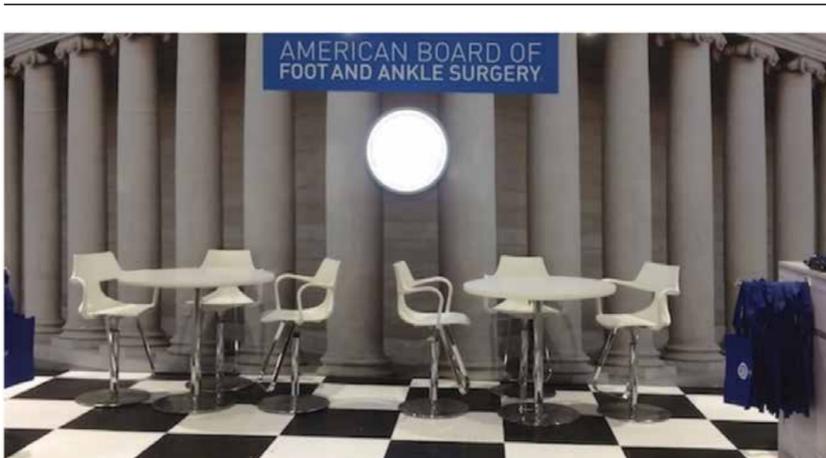
Here are the details:

- Enrollment is free, and it's easy to sign up. Go to dpmnetwork.org to get started as a mentor or speaker.
- The AACPM can tailor your mentoring and speaking assignments to your schedule.
- All mentors have access to free tools and resources that will help you be a successful mentor and/or speaker.



ABFAS Certification Matters

ABFAS offers a tri-fold brochure to help patients understand the extensive training that is involved in board certification. This important piece of collateral highlights board certification in three steps: education and residency training; certification process; and continuing education and recertification. Arm your patients with the knowledge that an ABFAS certification is a credential you can trust! This brochure fits in standard literature displays. Order your ABFAS Board Certification brochures at: abfas.org/Resources/Brochures



Join Us

ABFAS will be attending more conferences in 2019 than ever before. If you are attending, we welcome you to stop by our booth.

American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS) Scientific Conference

February 14-17, 2019
Ernest N. Morial Convention Center
New Orleans, Louisiana
Level 2 lobby

Midwest Podiatry Conference

April 11-13, 2019
Hyatt Regency Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

The Western Foot and Ankle Conference

June 20-23, 2019
Disneyland Hotel and Convention Center
Anaheim, California

American Podiatric Medical Association – The National

July 11-14, 2019
Salt Palace Convention Center
Salt Lake City, Utah

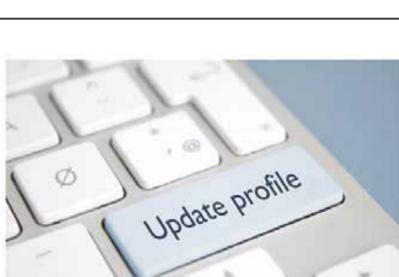
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Foot Recertification Exam
February 1-16, 2019 - Exam period

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Since 1975, ABFAS' mission is to protect and improve the health and welfare of the public by the advancement of the art and science of foot and ankle surgery.

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