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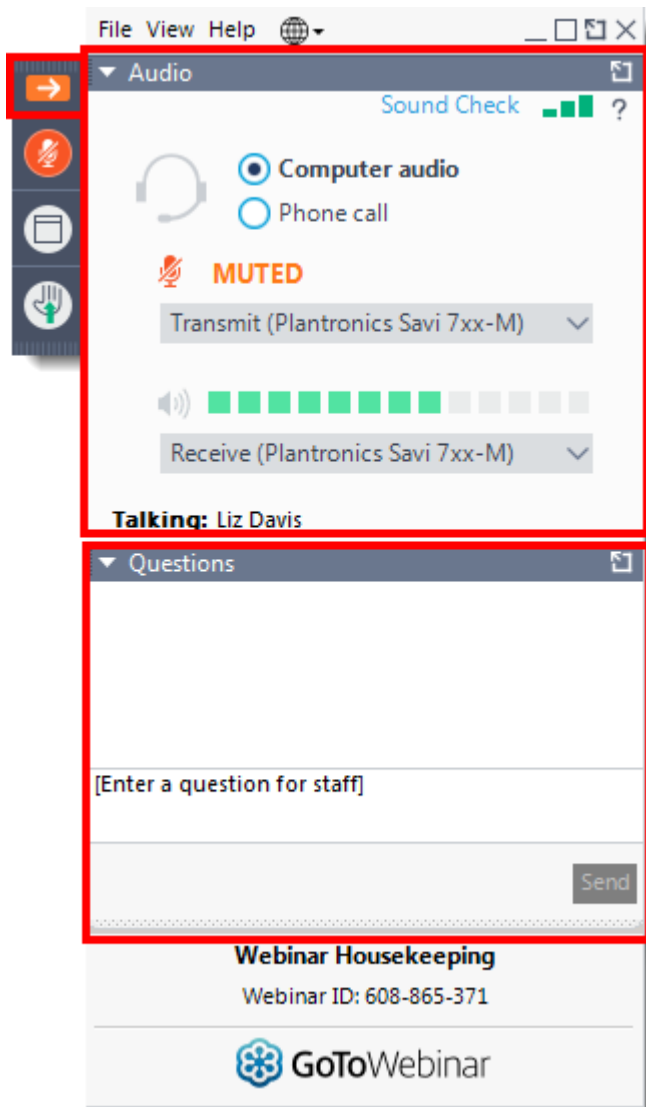
Residency Director Webinar
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Introductions

Kathy Kreiter – ABFAS Executive Director

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What We Will Cover Today:

- What you need to know as a residency program director about ABFAS certification changes.
- How you can help your residents understand the changes and impacts to them.
- COVID-19 Impacts on Fall ITE exams



New Certification Process

- Effective September ITE 2020 – this change does not apply to those Board Qualified before September 2020, .
- ABFAS simplified the certification process: **fewer exams**
 - Each passed final year ITE counts towards Board Qualification
 - Elimination of Part II CBPS
 - Only need Case Review to become Board Certified
- Goal – Protect public health while **saving** candidates' **time** and **money**



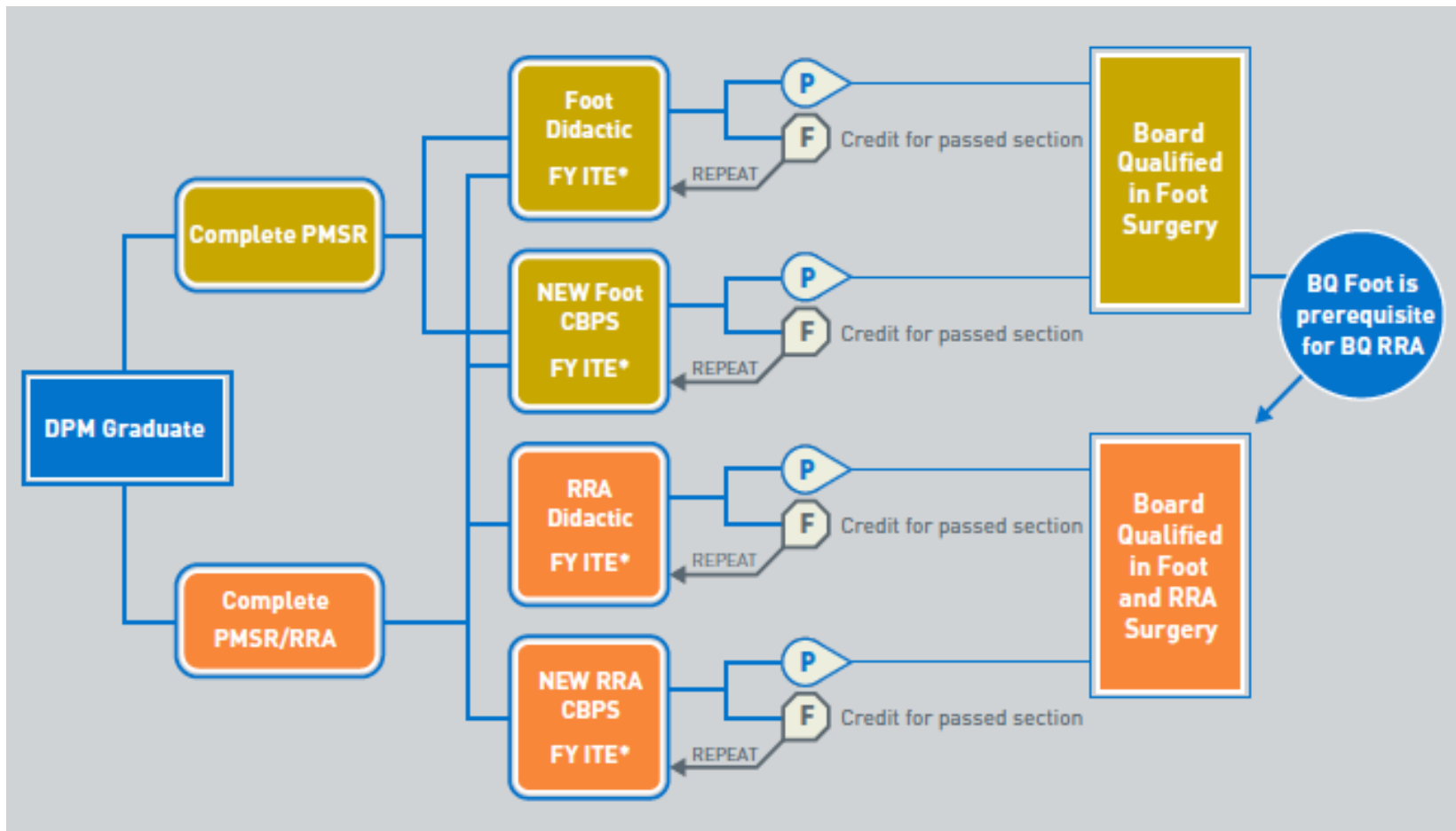
Changes to ITE

Examinations	Current	New
In-training (PGY 1&2, PGY 3 in 4 yr. programs)	<p>Examinations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foot Surgery Didactic - 90 items • Foot Surgery CBPS – 8 cases 	<p>Examinations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foot Surgery Didactic – 80 items • Foot Surgery CBPS – 8 cases • RRA Surgery Didactic – 80 items • RRA Surgery CBPS – 8 cases
In-training (Final Year)	<p>Examinations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foot and RRA Surgery Didactic – 90 items • Foot and RRA Surgery CBPS – 4 Foot cases/4 RRA cases 	<p>Examinations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foot Surgery Didactic – 80 items • Foot Surgery CBPS – 12 cases • RRA Surgery Didactic – 80 items • RRA Surgery CBPS – 12 cases



Exam Requirements for Board Qualification

(starting September 2020)



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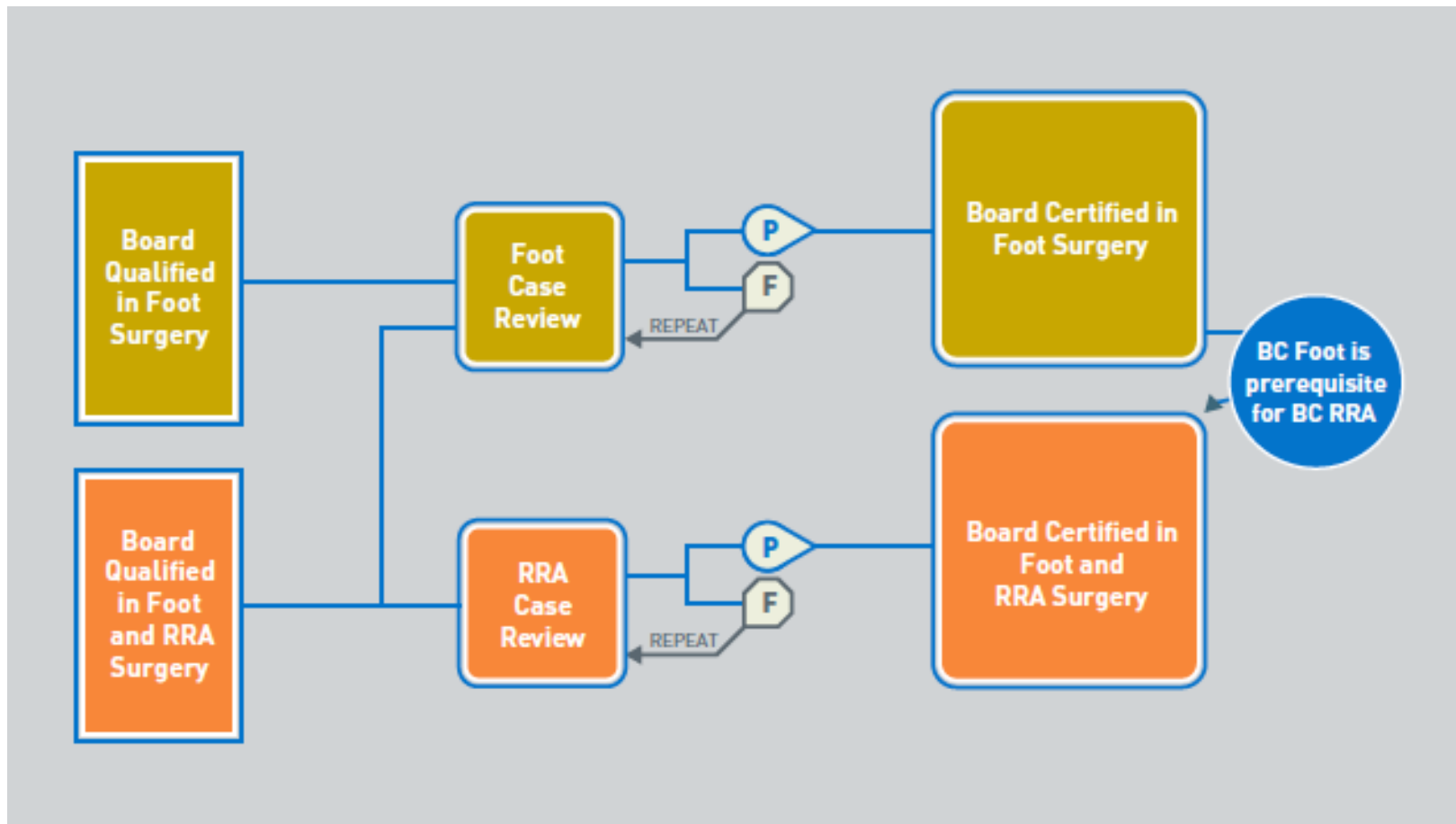
Board Certification Exam Changes

Current	As of September 2020
Part II Foot Surgery CBPS - 12 Cases Foot Surgery Case Review RRA Surgery CBPS - 16 Cases RRA Surgery Case Review	Board Qualified prior to September 2020:* NEW Foot Surgery CBPS - 12 Cases Foot Surgery Case Review NEW RRA Surgery CBPS - 12 Cases RRA Surgery Case Review Board Qualified September 2021 or after:* Foot Surgery Case Review RRA Surgery Case Review



Exam Requirements for Board Certification

(For Those Board Qualified post September 2020)



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Impacts to ABFAS ITE

PGY1&2 ITE and PGY3 in 4-year programs

- Data from separate Foot and RRA exams can help identify program improvement areas
- More comprehensive exposure - better prepared residents to pass the board qualification exams



New Pricing Structure

- Exam Fee Pricing
 - \$240 PGY1&2 and PGY3 in 4-year programs
 - \$300 Final-year ITE
- New fee covers increased testing time at Pearson. ABFAS does not make a profit from ITE exams.



Ordering Process

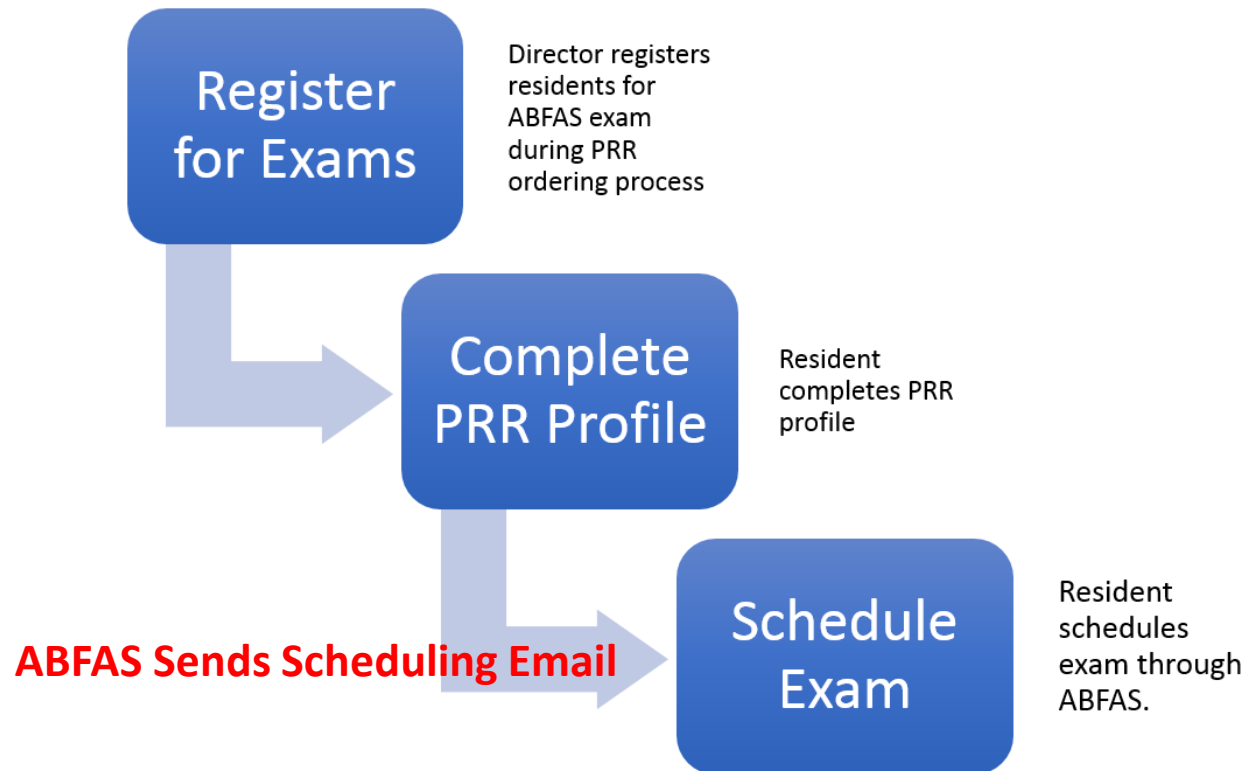
No Changes to PRR Ordering Process

- Continue to use PRR to order the ITE (all PGYs).
- Residents need to complete their PRR profile before they can log into the ABFAS website to schedule their exam with Pearson VUE.



Scheduling Exams

In-training Exam Registration & Scheduling Process



Covid-19 Impacts

- Pearson Testing Centers at Reduced Capacity

Depending on local regulations, capacity increases on a daily basis – keep checking

- Online Proctored PGY1&2 Didactic Exams

Scheduling open in mid-July

- Working with Pearson for additional solutions



Score Reporting

Changes to Score Reports

PGY1&2 and PGY3 in 4-year programs

- Residents will no longer receive the didactic score report after they finish the exam at Pearson Vue
- Available on PRR 6-8 weeks post exam window



Score Reporting

Example of new report

ITE Foot Surgery Didactic Examination			
Subject Area	Your Score	PGY 1 Mean	PGY 2 Mean
Diagnostic Studies/Medical Imaging	200	374	386
Surgical Principles	490	379	398
Surgical Procedures/Techniques	320	375	395
Procedural Perioperative Management	620	365	387
Complications	520	363	389
General Medical	240	370	381
Total	405	371	380



Score Reporting

Example of new report

ITE RRA Surgery CBPS Examination			
Case Management Area	Your Score	PGY 1 Mean	PGY 2 Mean
Physical Examination	380	450	396
Diagnostic Procedures/Labs/Imaging	420	410	388
Diagnosis	415	426	415
Treatment (application of surgical principles and medical management to determine treatment of patient)	350	400	460
Total	425	420	480



Score Reporting

Changes to Score Reports

Final-year Residents

Individual resident reports in PRR will show pass/fail only. No actual scores. Residents who fail can download their report with scores from the ABFAS website.

Programs with 3 or more final year residents will receive a report showing mean score of residents compared to other residency programs' final year test takers



Score Reporting

ITE Final Year Foot Surgery Didactic Examination

Subject Area	Your Results
Diagnostic Studies/Medical Imaging	Pass
Surgical Principles	Pass
Surgical Procedures/Techniques	Pass
Procedural Perioperative Management	Pass
Complications	Pass
General Medical	Fail
Your Overall Results	Pass

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Score Reporting

ITE Final Year RRA Surgery CBPS Examination

Case Management Area

Your Results

Physical Examination

Fail

Diagnostic Procedures/Labs/Imaging

Fail

Diagnosis

Fail

Treatment (application of surgical principles and medical management to determine treatment of patient)

Pass

Your Overall Results

Fail

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Residency Program Report



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Program Name: XYZ Residency Program

Exam Year- 2020

Residency Program Report

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Foot Surgery Didactic Examination

Subject Area	PGY 1		PGY 2		PGY 3 (Final Year)	
	Your Program	All Programs	Your Program	All Programs	Your Program	All Programs
Diagnostic Studies/ Medical Imaging	320	320	320	320	320	320
Surgical Principles	270	270	270	270	270	270
Surgical Procedures & Techniques	400	400	400	400	400	400
Procedural Perioperative Management	500	500	500	500	500	500
Complications	210	210	210	210	210	210
General Medicine	700	700	700	700	700	700
Total Exam Score	400	400	400	400	400	400
Percent of residents performing at the passing level					24%	56%

Foot Surgery CBPS Examination

Subject Area	PGY 1		PGY 2		PGY 3 (Final Year)	
	Your Program	All Programs	Your Program	All Programs	Your Program	All Programs
Physical Examination	600	600	600	600	600	600
Diagnostic Procedures/Labs/Imaging	520	520	520	520	520	520
Diagnosis	390	390	390	390	390	390
Treatment	450	450	450	450	450	450
Total Exam Score	280	280	280	280	280	280
Percent of residents performing at the passing level					24%	56%

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What Your Residents Need to Know

- They can convert any of their passed Final Year ITE exam to use towards their board qualification.
- Those who pass the NEW CBPS exam to become qualified only need to take and pass Case Review to become certified. One less exam.



What Your Residents Need to Know

- By passing any of their final year ITEs, residents can save money when pursuing ABFAS board qualification.
- Residents can elect to pay a \$300 board qualification fee per exam in order to convert a passed final year ITE for board qualification purposes. This fee is much less than the normal examination fee.



Requirements for Board Qualification

(starting September 2020)

- Completion of residency training
- Submission of proof of licensure and residency completion certificate
- Pass two separate Part I Examinations (Didactic and NEW CBPS)
 - A passed ITE exam in final residency year can count towards Board Qualification (with payment of a board qualification fee for each passed exam)
 - If they don't pass their final year ITE, they can take the Part I exams in Spring of their final residency year.
- BQ Foot status is a prerequisite for BQ RRA status



Requirements for Board Certification

(starting September 2020)

- Board Qualified status (passed Part I)
- Hospital surgical privileges in area of desired certification (Foot or Foot/RRA)
- Pass facility log and Podiatry Logging Service (PLS) audit
- Pass Case Review

Have 7 year window after becoming Board Qualified to achieve certification

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What Happens to Those Who Graduated before 2021?

If they haven't passed Part I Didactic or CBPS – they follow the same course as post-2021 residents.

If they passed Part I CBPS in or prior to March 2020, they need to

- Pass Part I Didactic to become Board Qualified
- Pass NEW CBPS and Case Review to become Board Certified

If they passed Part I Didactic, they need to

- Pass NEW CBPS to become Board Qualified
- Pass Case Review to become Board Certified

CONFUSING?

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What Happens to Those Who Graduated before 2021?

Still Confused?

Important to remember – the Part I CBPS is not the psychometric equivalent of the NEW CBPS, so those who passed Part I CBPS still need to take the NEW CBPS to become ABFAS Board Certified.

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Exam Windows

ABFAS Examination Dates for Residents		
Postgraduate Year	Examination	Examination Dates
PGY 1,2 (and PGY 3 in 4-year programs)	In-training, all exams	September 16-21, 2020
Final PGY	In-training - Foot Surgery	September 25, 2020
	In-training - RRA Surgery	September 26, 2020
	Part I Board Qualification- Foot Surgery	March 5, 2021
	Part I Board Qualification- RRA Surgery	March 6, 2021

After residency, all other retakes once per year, during Fall Part I exam window

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How You Can Help Your Residents Prepare for the ABFAS Exams

- Take the time to review the In-training Residency Guide for Residency Directors
- Refer residents to the ABFAS website to find resources for all exams, including study guides, video tutorials, and practice exams
 - <https://www.abfas.org/residents/cbps-exam-preparation>
 - <https://www.abfas.org/become-board-qualified/didactic-exam-preparation>
- ABFAS does not endorse any exam prep courses

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Resources

- ABFAS.org
 - Residents and Residency Director pages
 - The In-training Examination Guide for Residency Directors
 - The Part I Board Qualification Document
 - Didactic and CBPS Exam Preparation links
 - Podcasts
- Resident Newsletters



Any Questions?

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