### ABFAS Board of Directors Elects New Officers

**A new officer team has been elected** since the last newsletter. Thank you to all the candidates running and congratulations to the newly elected officers.

The new officers are **Jeffery Giesking, DPM**, President; **John T. Marcoux, DPM**, President-elect; **Michael VanPelt, DPM**, Immediate Past-president; **Nicole Bauerly, DPM**, Secretary/Treasurer; and **Dennis Chaney, DPM**, Immediate Past-secretary.

This past July, the ABFAS Board of Directors met in Salt Lake City and elected new officers and directors. To learn more about the backgrounds of these individuals and their roles at ABFAS, please see the next section.

### ABFAS Podcasts

ABFAS is proud to launch new podcasts focused on important foot and ankle surgery topics. These recordings share the wisdom and expertise of ABFAS members, including Dr. Nicole Bauerly, on a variety of subjects. You can find these recordings at ABFAS.org/podcasts where they can be downloaded and shared.

### ABFAS Board Certification Examinations Schedule

**Part I Board Certification Examinations for Board Qualified Candidates**

- **February 8, 2020**
- **February 9, 2020**
- **February 16, 2020**
- **February 17, 2020**
- **February 23, 2020**
- **February 24, 2020**
- **March 9, 2020**
- **March 11, 2020**

**Part II Board Certification Exams**

- **June 6, 2019**
- **June 7, 2019**
- **June 13, 2019**
- **June 14, 2019**

**ABFAS Board Certification Examinations Important Dates**

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### ABFAS News

**Did you know...**

- You can take the Part II CBPS board certification exam before submitting your board certification.
- We have new podcasts focused on important foot and ankle surgery topics. You can find these recordings at ABFAS.org/podcasts where they can be downloaded and shared.

**The New 2020 Certification Process**

ABFAS, having served for years on numerous committees. These committees include the Communications Committee, Online Study Guide Task Force, and Bylaws Task Force. ABFAS sat down with Dr. Nicole Bauerly DPM, to discuss her career, her new role, and her service to ABFAS.

**One of the things I see with residents or those that are just out in the practice, they are focused on trying to get their numbers. They worry about the number of procedures. My advice is to just treat your patients, regardless of whether you're trying to achieve board certification.**

**Another thing I'd like to share is if you are starting to head in the direction of pursuing board certification, you're interested in doing that, there are some things that you should do. First thing is, if you're starting to work on it, go ahead and start logging your cases. Right away. This will be an excellent resource when you are preparing for Part II. I think that the main thing people ask me is, what do you need to know? The biggest thing is, the skills and the training.**

### ABFAS News

**5.4.1 open repair of adult midfoot fracture**

- Ensure that you are listed as the surgeon of record (not co-surgeon) in the intraoperative anesthesia record or circulating nurse notes.
- Procedures are evaluated based on surgical decision-making, preoperative clinical assessment, technical skills assessment, and outcomes analysis.
- In order to count the adult midfoot fracture, you must perform a cheilectomy and a distal metatarsal osteotomy.
- The procedure is then logged as a joint salvage procedure.