

LEAD NEWSLETTER FOR DIPLOMATES

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LEAD Quarter 1 Now Open

Cycle 1

Cycle 2



A **new quarter of LEAD** is available now through March 31. The quarter contains **20 questions**, and you will have three minutes to answer each question.

Do I need to participate in this quarter?

Participation in the current quarter may or may not be necessary depending on your remaining **participation requirements** or current LEAD performance. Track your requirements on your LEAD dashboard to determine if you need to participate in a given quarter.

[Start Quarter 1](#)

Less Is More in 2024



Starting today, you will need to answer only 20 questions to participate in LEAD—that's 10 fewer questions per quarter! That means, you can spend less time on LEAD and more time in practice, gaining valuable hands-on experience to better serve your patients.

After two years of administering the assessment, collecting data, and receiving feedback, ABFAS decided to make the LEAD process more user-friendly by decreasing the number of questions per quarter. The structure and the psychometric validity of the LEAD assessment will remain the same.

Access Your CME Transcripts



ABFAS now offers **continuing medical education** (CME) credits for LEAD program participation. This benefit is retroactive, so you can download transcripts now for previously completed LEAD quarters through 2023 Quarter 3. You may download your transcript for LEAD 2023 Quarter 4 beginning January 16.

To access your CME credit transcripts, **login** to the CME section of your ABFAS profile and click the "Access Your ABFAS CME" button. Once on the ABFAS Credit Tracking site, you can search for your ABFAS CME activities and download a PDF of your transcripts.

Please note: You cannot access your CME transcripts from the LEAD site.

[Access LEAD CME](#)

What I Love Most About LEAD: Dr. Duane J. Ehredt Jr.



In **this video**, Duane J. Ehredt Jr., DPM, D.ABFAS, FACFAS, shares what he loves most about the LEAD program:

There are very quick and easy clinical-based questions that you can answer on your time, whenever fits your schedule. It's really the easiest way to test your clinical knowledge.

Do you love LEAD? **Submit a short video** on what you love most—or tips for fellow Diplomates—and you could be featured in an upcoming newsletter.

[Watch Video](#)

Featured FAQ: What if I miss a LEAD quarter?



Question: What if I miss a LEAD quarter?

Answer: Quarterly assessments are only available during the specific three-month period. If you do not complete the 20 questions before the quarter closes, you will not be able to go back and make it up, but you can choose to participate in the current open quarter.

Visit the **LEAD Program Requirements web page** to see how many quarters you need to complete in each cycle, based on your certificate expiration year.

[See All LEAD FAQs](#)



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