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We Want to See You #footfirst in 2020!

Dear ABFAS Members,

We hope to see you at the following conferences:

- New Orleans, LA
  - TPMA Southwest Foot and Ankle Conference
  - October 9 –10, 2020
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    - April 29 – May 2, 2020
- San Antonio, TX
  - ABFAS Spring Part II Board Certification CBPS examination registration is open.
    - Last Day to Withdraw Without Penalty: May 6, 2020
    - Exam Date: May 13, 2020
- Chicago, IL
  - American Podiatric Medical Association Annual Scientific Conference! Stop by our booth, located in the Park View lobby, where you can ask any questions you might have about the ABFAS certification process. And that’s not all! Later this year, ABFAS will be attending even more conferences.
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"Preparing for Success – ABFAS Board Certification Process." Danny J. Choung, DPM, and President, Keith L. Jacobson, DPM, will speak on "Preparing for Success – ABFAS Board Certification Process." at the upcoming American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS) 2020 Annual Scientific Meeting. Be sure to attend their session to learn about the ABFAS process, "Navigating the CBPS Exam" before exam day.

Common CBPS Mistakes to Avoid

- Avoid jumping to a diagnosis and moving directly to a plan of action.
- Avoid ignoring the patient's history and physical examination.
- Avoid not considering all possible diagnoses.

It is very important to become familiar with the following functions before test day:

- Searching the list of selections.
- Navigating from tab to tab.
- Viewing and zooming images.
- Selecting options that relate specifically to the problem presented and support the diagnosis and treatment.
- Determining if any additional evidence is needed for the diagnosis and treatment.
- Demonstrating that you have the ability and knowledge to manage the case in an appropriate manner.

A common mistake made on the CBPS exam is to jump to a diagnosis and move directly to a plan of action without considering all possible diagnoses. This is a critical mistake to avoid.

The CBPS practice exam is designed to help you become more familiar with the content of the case and not how the exam works. However, waiting until test day to learn how to approach the exam is not recommended. It is important to understand the exam format and function before test day.

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