



ABFAS NEWSLETTER

for Members

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Recertification: Uploading Case Logs

The 2019 Recertification (MOC) exam registration is now open and closes on January 18, 2019. Diplomates may take their examination in the eighth, ninth, or tenth year of their MOC cycle. In order to register for the MOC, you need to submit your case logs from all hospitals and/or surgery centers from the past two years. There are no minimum case volume or diversity requirements. Your case logs will help ABFAS redesign our recertification process in the future.

To submit your case logs:

- Your hospital or surgery center should provide your case log history.
- Contact all hospitals and/or surgery centers where you perform surgery and ask them to print out your case logs from the past two years.
- Save your entire two-year case log history into a single PDF before you start the registration process.
- Please make sure your case logs include the type of case, which could be shown by CPT code and/or procedure.

When starting to register for the exam, you will see instructions on how to upload your single PDF case log history onto the ABFAS website.

Who's Who at ABFAS?

The ABFAS staff has seen change in 2018. Some of our dear staff have left us for new opportunities in distant parts of the country, and we have welcomed new individuals in key roles. The staff now has two Jons (or John), two Chrises and two Ginnies (or Jinnie). Here is a profile of an individual you might have spoken to on the phone or met at the ABFAS booth at a conference, Jonathan Golike, Certification Manager.

“Any chance to speak with or meet members and prospective members and get their feedback on the Certification process is wonderful.”

Before coming to ABFAS, Jon worked for a few healthcare related non-profits and associations in Washington DC. He then moved to San Francisco for a role in university program administration.

Jon arrived at ABFAS in 2017 as Certification Manager. He is on the front lines to help members navigate and understand the ABFAS certification process. Jon also travels across the country to national and regional foot and ankle conferences, sharing information to attendees who stop by the ABFAS booth.

“At the conferences it is especially great to see the intelligence and diversity among the new generation of podiatry students and residents.”

Jon also manages ABFAS’ relationship with the podiatric colleges by coordinating the Michael L. Stone awards and ABFAS representatives visits to the colleges. Every year ABFAS Diplomates visit the podiatric colleges to speak to students about the opportunities a career in foot and ankle surgery present. During these visits, Diplomates explain the ABFAS certification process and usually lecture on a topic chosen by the school.

Jon is on the Governance and Credentialing Services team along with Carl Lawrence, Jinnie Tam, and Viki Alves. The team is directed by Ginnie Yee. If you have had a question regarding any part of the certification process and called our phone lines, or submitted an email, chances are you have spoken to one of the members of this team.

Jon and the Governance and Credentialing Services team work diligently to provide the most accurate answers to members. They guide members through the certification process and explain what exam prep tools are available.

“Through communication with members and the work done here in the ABFAS office, I hope to help make the ABFAS certification process a little easier to understand and manage.”

2019 Spring Examinations

Foot Recertification Exam

January 18, 2019 - Registration closes
January 25, 2019 - Last day to withdraw without penalty
February 1-16, 2019 - Exam period

RRA Recertification Exam

January 18, 2019 - Registration closes
January 25, 2019 - Last day to withdraw without penalty
February 1-2, 2019 - Exam period

Self-assessment Exam

January 18, 2019 - Registration closes
January 25, 2019 - Last day to withdraw without penalty
February 1-16, 2019 - Exam period

Please see our Examinations page for more information on the Spring 2019 examinations.



ABFAS Profile Update

ABFAS reminds you to log into your profile and confirm all contact information, including email address and mailing address is up to date. Please also confirm that all licenses are up to date. To update your license information, email your license information to licenses@abfas.org or you can fax your information at 415-553-7801.

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