



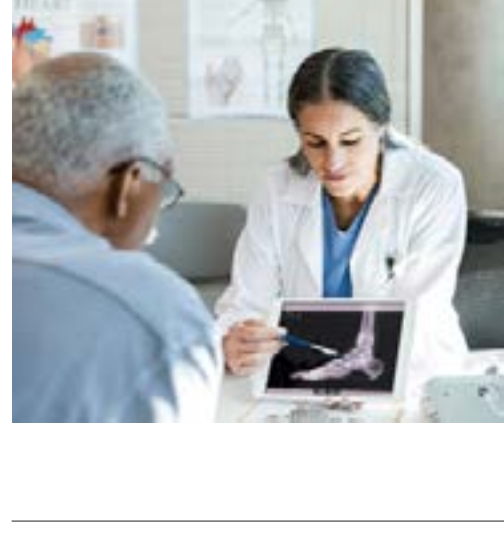
ABFAS NEWSLETTER FOR DIPLOMATES

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Promote Your Board Certification: Patient Brochures



ABFAS recently updated its [trifold brochures](#), which help patients understand the rigorous process involved in becoming ABFAS Board Certified and why they should opt for an ABFAS board-certified podiatrist.

Diplomates may request one set of 50 brochures at no cost each year. Simply fill out [this form](#) to request your brochures by mail.

[Request Your Brochure](#)

How to Renew Your Certification



In early July of your board certification expiration year, ABFAS will verify that you have met minimum [LEAD participation and performance requirements](#). If all LEAD and [non-assessment requirements](#) are met, ABFAS will renew your certificate for 10 years, and you will receive an updated label for your framed certificate, indicating that your ABFAS Board Certification is valid for an additional 10-year period.

Please note: Diplomates who hold lifetime certification do not need to meet the LEAD performance requirement.

As a reminder, to maintain active board certification, you also must meet [non-assessment requirements](#). ABFAS conducts random audits and may request documentation for these requirements at any time.

[View LEAD Requirements](#)

Share the Profession with the Next Generation

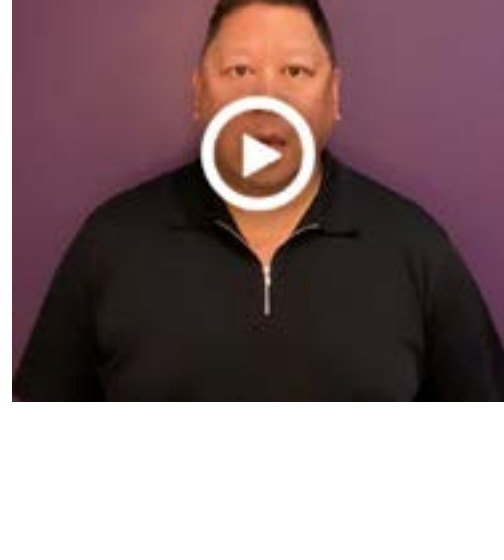


ABFAS has partnered with the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons and other leading podiatric organizations on the American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine's (AACPM) Feet on the Street student recruitment campaign—and we need your help!

If you are interested in offering your time and medical practice for job shadowing or are able to speak to prospective podiatric medical students at a local undergraduate university, please complete [this form](#). An AACPM representative will contact you soon with next steps.

[Submit Volunteer Form](#)

Why I Chose ABFAS Board Certification: Dr. Alan Ng



In [this video](#), ABFAS Past President and ACFAS President-elect Alan Ng, DPM, FACFAS, shares why he chose ABFAS Board Certification and what it means to him:

The ABFAS Board Certification process is very fair and comprehensive in making sure that the surgeon is very well-versed in foot and ankle surgery to perform the proper procedures to address those patients' pathologies and to make sure the profession itself is well regarded.

[Review Address](#)

At-large Member Positions Open on Council



The [Council on Podiatric Medical Education's](#) (CPME's) Nominating Committee is seeking applications for the at-large and post-secondary educator positions on the Council. CPME will hold a closed ballot election to fill the positions at its October 2024 meeting. The positions are for a three-year term renewable up to three consecutive terms.

Individuals seeking election to at-large positions on the Council shall describe in writing how they satisfy at least two of the following criteria:

- Have been active for a period of at least two years as a director of an approved podiatric residency, fellowship, or provider of continuing education.
- Have been active for a period of at least two years as an academic administrator or a fulltime faculty member at a CPME-accredited college of podiatric medicine.
- Have demonstrated leadership within the profession or distinguished himself/herself/themselves as a practitioner.
- Have served actively on one of the Council's committees for a minimum of one full term.
- Have served on at least one CPME on site evaluation team to a college of podiatric medicine, or three CPME on-site evaluation teams to residency programs, fellowship programs, or continuing education providers.
- In addition to the requirements outlined above, candidates are encouraged to describe other podiatric and non-podiatric experiences they have that strengthen the submission.

Individuals seeking election to the Council must submit a curriculum vitae and an application letter that addresses both the requirements and the area of need to hstagliano@cpme.org by June 15. Applications received after June 15 will not be considered.

Call for Residency Program Evaluators



The Collaborative Residency Evaluator Committee (CREC)—a joint venture of ABFAS, the American Board of Podiatric Medicine, and the Council on Podiatric Medical Education (CPME)—invites ABFAS Diplomates to nominate themselves as candidates for residency program on-site evaluators.

CREC oversees the selection, training, and assessment of podiatric residency program on-site evaluators and seeks nominees with experience as a program director or faculty in a CPME-approved residency program. The ability to travel and knowledge of the Podiatry Residency Resource (PRR) and CPME Document 320/330 are critical to the role.

Interested Diplomates should submit a CV and cover letter, detailing their experience with residency programs and PRR, to ABFAS CEO/Executive Director Kathy Kreiter at kkreiter@abfas.org.

ICYMI: 2024 ABFAS Election Result



Thank you to all the Diplomates who took the time to vote. The results are in!

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Thanh Dinh of Massachusetts to her first term on the ABFAS Board of Directors. Two incumbents, Dr. Michael Dujela of Washington and Dr. Roland Ramdass of Virginia will continue their service on the Board. All three terms will begin on September 1, 2024, and will end on August 31, 2027.

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Visit the ABFAS Booth at an Upcoming Event



We will have staff available to answer your questions about your certification requirements and the LEAD program at these upcoming events:

- [Western Foot and Ankle Conference](#)
June 20–23 | Anaheim, CA
- [APMA 2024 Annual Scientific Meeting](#) (The National)
August 8–11 | Washington, DC

Meet with members of the ABFAS Board of Directors during the opening reception on Thursday night.



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