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### Meet the Board



We are pleased to introduce your elected ABFAS Board of Directors for the 2024–25 year:

- **President:** Michelle L. Butterworth, DPM, FACFAS
- **President-elect:** Michael D. Dujela, DPM, FACFAS
- **Secretary/Treasurer:** Dustin L. Kruse, DPM, FACFAS
- **Immediate Past President:** Nicole A. Bauerly, DPM, FACFAS

#### Directors

- Thanh L. Dinh, DPM, FACFAS
- Timothy J. Mineo, DPM, FACFAS
- Scott C. Nelson, DPM, FACFAS
- Roland S. Ramdass, DPM, FACFAS
- Diana E. Rogers, DPM, FACFAS
- Vito Speciale, DPM, FACFAS

### ABFAS Board Unveils New Strategic Plan



The ABFAS Board of Directors recently finalized a new strategic plan—including a new mission, core purpose, and values—to help guide the organization over the next 3–5 years.

#### Our Mission

ABFAS safeguards public health and well-being by certifying and continuously assessing the knowledge, skills, and abilities of podiatric surgeons to ensure excellence in surgical care.

#### Our Core Purpose

To promote the health and well-being of the public.

#### Our Values

- **Excellence:** Embracing innovation, continuous improvement, and adaptability.
- **Integrity:** Upholding fairness and transparency in all our actions.
- **Quality:** Committing to high standards and trustworthiness.
- **Service:** Dedicated to serving the profession and the public.

### Advertise Your Status



Communicating your ABFAS Board Certification to patients, employers, colleagues, and the general public will enhance your reputation and standing, and ABFAS offers resources for Diplomates to promote their status.

The [ABFAS Advertising Policies for Diplomates](#) provide guidelines in communicating and advertising ABFAS status appropriately and professionally. Adopted by the Board of Directors, these policies detail how ABFAS Diplomates can advertise their status in ways that protect and enhance the public image of foot and ankle surgery.

[Read Policies](#)

### A Renewed Commitment to the Future of the Profession

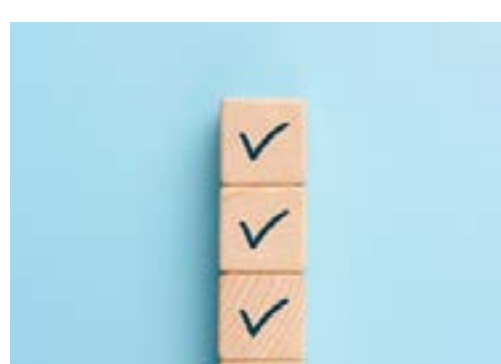


Building early relationships with students is crucial to fostering their interest in foot and ankle surgery, understanding of the board certification process, and engagement with ABFAS. That's why the ABFAS Board of Directors decided to enhance its funding of the American Podiatric Medical Students' Association (APMSA) for the 2024–25 fiscal year.

As we continue our support of the student-led organization, we have unique opportunities to get our leaders in front of this essential audience. In August, ABFAS Directors Scott C. Nelson, DPM, FACFAS, and Vito Speciale, DPM, FACFAS, shared their personal experiences in navigating a successful career in foot and ankle surgery to a packed room of podiatric medical students from Des Moines University College of Podiatric Medicine & Surgery.

In the coming months, members of the ABFAS Communications Committee will host an APMSA webinar on "10 Ways to Solidify Success in Your Practice."

### Call for Residency Program Evaluators

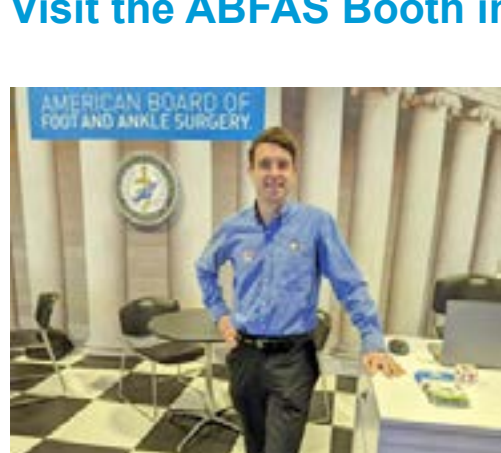


The Collaborative Residency Evaluator Committee (CREC)—a joint venture of ABFAS, the American Board of Podiatric Medicine, and the Council on Podiatric Medical Education (CPME)—invites ABFAS Diplomates to nominate themselves as candidates for residency program on-site evaluators.

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](mailto:kkreiter@abfas.org).

### Visit the ABFAS Booth in 2025



We will have staff available to answer your questions about your certification requirements and the LEAD program at these 2025 events:

- **NYSPMA Podiatric Clinical Conference & Exhibition**  
January 23–26 | New York, NY
- **FPMA Science & Management Symposium (SAM)**  
January 29–February 2 | Lake Buena Vista, FL
- **Midwest Podiatry Conference**  
March 6–9 | Chicago, IL
- **ACFAS 2025 Annual Scientific Conference**  
March 27–30 | Phoenix, AZ
- **The Western Foot and Ankle Conference**  
June 19–22 | Anaheim, CA
- **APMA's The National**  
July 24–27 | Dallas-Fort Worth, TX