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Case Review Registration Deadline Approaching

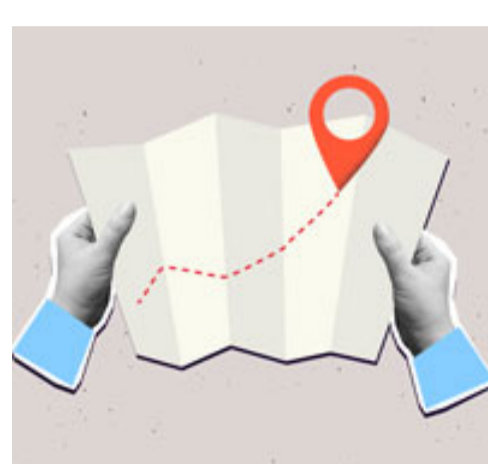


Registration for 2025 **Case Review** closes this Friday December 6.

How do I know if I am eligible to register?
The **Podiatry Logging Service** (PLS) will inform you when you have met the quantity and diversity requirements required to register for Case Review. Click on the "Do I meet the requirements?" link at the top of the "Manage Case" page to generate a report that shows the number of cases you have in each qualifying category.

[Register Now](#)

New Resource: Case Review Quick Guide



The ABFAS Exam Prep Task Force recently published a handy one-page resource sheet to help give candidates a jumpstart on the Case Review process. Ideal for anyone who needs a little help getting started, the **Case Review Quick Guide** provides practical tips and QR codes to valuable resources as you embark on your journey toward ABFAS Board Certification.

[Access Quick Guide](#)

Do You Need to Register for NEW CBPS This Spring?



If you became ABFAS Board Qualified before September 2020 and did not pass the 12-case Part II Computer-Based Patient Simulation (CBPS) Exam within the last seven years, you will need to take the **NEW CBPS Exam**, in addition to Part II Case Review, to become ABFAS Board Certified.

To review your passed exams, **login** to your ABFAS profile. To understand which exams you still need to take, based on the exams you have already passed, use the interactive **My Exam Pathway tool**.

New this year! Effective for Spring 2025 exam registration, any eligible candidate may register for any exam window (Spring or Fall). Please contact ABFAS at 415-553-7800 or info@abfas.org with questions about exam eligibility or if you are unable to register for eligible exams through your ABFAS profile.

Registration for NEW CBPS is open until February 25, 2025.

[Learn More](#)

What Separates a Good Surgeon From a Great Surgeon: My Journey to ABFAS Board Certification



A common misconception about Case Review is that a poor outcome leads to board certification failure, but this is not true. How you respond to a poor outcome through thorough documentation is important. My methodology was akin to a legal battle: If you didn't document it, you didn't do it.

In this **article**, recently board-certified surgeon Michael Kelly, DPM, FACFAS, shares his personal experience in passing Case Review and achieving ABFAS Board Certification in Foot Surgery and Reconstructive Rearfoot & Ankle Surgery.

[Read Article](#)

Ask the Experts



Do you have questions about the ABFAS exam process in general or specific exams (like Case Review) in particular? ABFAS has experts on all facets of ABFAS exams, and they want to hear from you! Our experts will answer your questions via video, which will be shared in future newsletters and on our social media channels.

Submit up to three questions, and you could receive a \$10 Starbucks gift card, if your question is featured.

Please note: If we receive the same question(s) from multiple people, the earliest submission will receive the reward.

[Submit Question\(s\)](#)

Why I Chose ABFAS Board Certification: Dr. John Evans



In **this video**, John Evans, DPM, FACFAS, shares why he chose ABFAS Board Certification and what it means for the profession:

I wanted to be the best that I could, and to do so in a surgical field, I needed to become board certified by the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery. Since then, I've worked with hundreds of surgeons, who are also board certified in surgery, and I feel our profession is a better place because of it.

Submit a short video on what it means to you to become ABFAS Board Certified, and you could be featured in ABFAS communication channels and on social media.

[Watch Video](#)

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Coming to a conference near you! We'll have staff on hand to answer questions about board certification at these upcoming 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

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