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A Message from Your President

Vincent J. Perciaccante, DDS



Greetings from Peachtree City, Georgia! Thank you for the opportunity to serve our specialty as the President of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. As I begin my term, I would like to thank our Immediate Past President, Dr. Larry L. Cunningham, Jr, for his leadership throughout this past year. Larry was the architect of many of the innovations that have occurred with the Board over the last several years and I commend him for a successful year with his unwavering leadership.

I would also like to thank our outgoing Immediate Past President, Dr. David Bitonti, for his many years of friendship, as well as his exemplary leadership throughout the challenging 2020 year. David will be missed, and we will strive to maintain his attention to detail as we move forward with Board business. Additionally, I would like to welcome our newest Director, Dr. Marty Steed, who is a well-respected educator and leader in our specialty and will contribute greatly as we move forward.

As we enter this upcoming year, we look back on some recent, and forward to some upcoming milestones for the ABOMS. This past year, we were forced to postpone the February administration of the 2021 Oral Certifying Examination (OCE) and reschedule to August. Our dedicated examiners and staff were able to navigate through the challenges of a summer administration of the OCE, with a short turnaround time for completion of construction, preparation and registration for the 2022 examination. The 2022 administration of the OCE is set for an unprecedented 464 registered candidates. One of the factors which has led to this large number of candidates, is the successful institution of our new Fast-Track process for the Qualifying Examination (QE). Beginning in 2021, qualified residents in their last year of training, with approval from their residency program director, were allowed to sit for the QE. In January, 138 residents did so, with an outstanding pass rate. Many of the successful Fast-Track participants have registered for the upcoming OCE, with the opportunity to become Board-Certified Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, at an earlier stage in their career. On the other side of the certification process, we are reaching the end of our second year in the new Certification Maintenance (CM) process. If you have not yet done so this year, please log into your Diplomate profile to complete your 2021 requirements for CM. Lastly, we are nearly complete with the move of our headquarters office to 8770 W Bryn Mawr Avenue near Rosemont, Illinois, just a few miles from O'Hare airport and AAOMS headquarters.

I am looking forward to an exciting upcoming year and will communicate with you as other milestones occur.

I thank each of you for your service to the public, your dedication to the care of your patients and your actions as stewards and ambassadors for Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.



A Message from Your New Director

Martin B. Steed, DDS

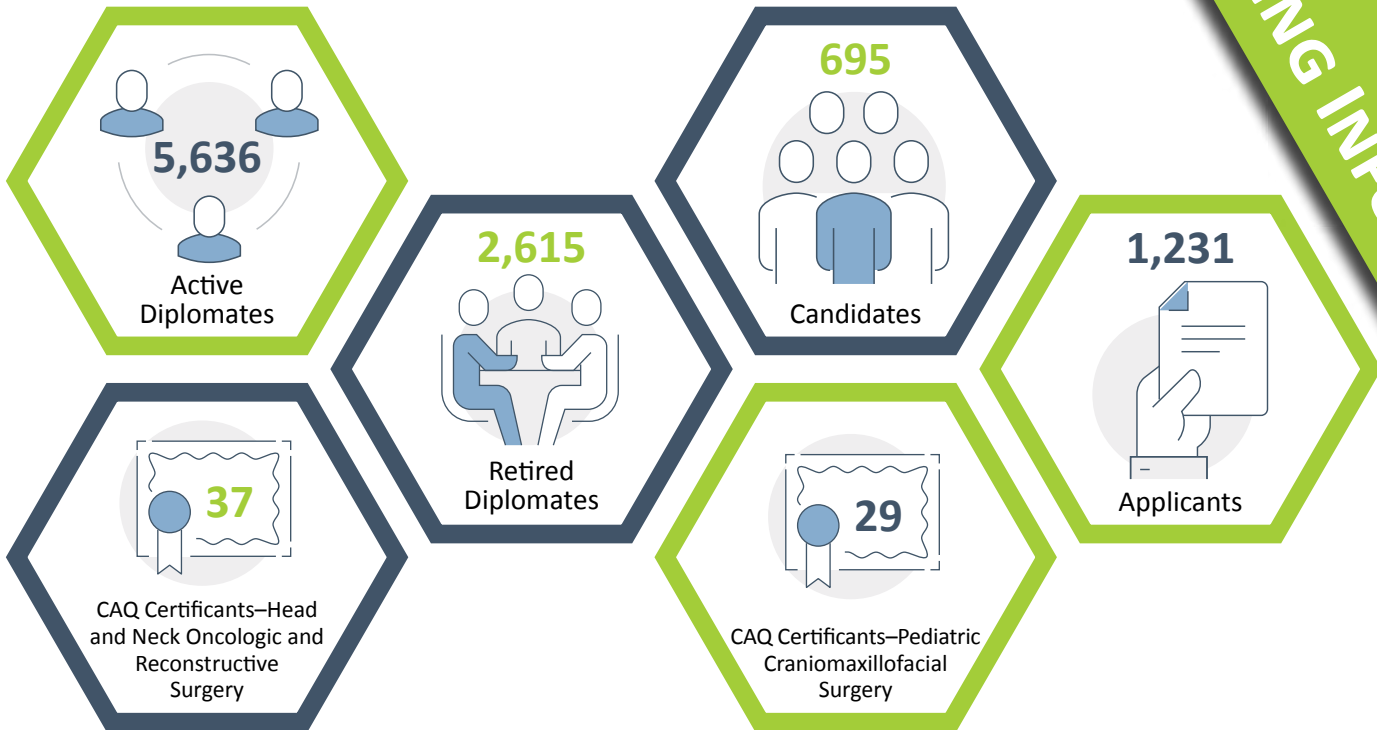


I am humbled, appreciative, and honored to have been nominated by the ABOMS Examination Committee and elected by the AAOMS House of Delegates in Nashville as your newest Director for the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (ABOMS).

I consider my years of participating as an examiner on the board to have been a gift to me personally and look forward to giving back. It is, in many respects, the most important work that we as a team carry out and a tremendous responsibility to our specialty, our patients, and the public. I treasure the friendships, knowledge, and experience my colleagues have imparted to me.

Our board is an incredibly fine-tuned institution and has achieved this level of performance through decades of purpose-driven stewardship from its leadership. I remain continually impressed by the thoughtful insight and dedication shown by my fellow ABOMS directors and the high performing team of ABOMS staff. When I reflect on the number of improvements that have been proposed to the Oral Certifying Examination and the Certification Maintenance Process and their subsequent effective roll outs, I am eager to be part of this drive forward for our specialty. There always remains work to be done in the pursuit of ensuring the level of excellence we need to see in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. I pledge to do my utmost to keep our board at the forefront of surgical, medical, and dental specialties and reflective of the breadth and depth of our surgical training.





2022 Annual Registration and Certification Maintenance

2022 Annual Registration (AR) and Certification Maintenance (CM) will open on Diplomat profiles on Tuesday, January 4, 2022. AR will remain open through March 31, 2022, and CM will remain open through the end of 2022.

The AR timeline changed from previous years in order to more closely align with CM timelines. Rather than doing October to December renewals for the following year, ABOMS now has AR renewals run from January to March.

IMPORTANT!

You will not be able to pay 2022 Annual Registration if you have not yet completed your 2021 Certification Maintenance requirements, so please be sure to complete those by December 31, 2021, via your Diplomat profile.

Senior Fast Track for QE

Last year ABOMS introduced a new Senior Fast Track to the 2021 Qualifying Examination application. This allowed senior residents who were on track to graduate in the spring or summer of 2021 to take the QE while still in their last year of residency. ABOMS has decided to continue this into the 2022 examination in January. Results for those following the Senior Fast Track will be sent out upon approval of Result Application.

New QE Blueprint

This year, the Board of Directors approved a new QE blueprint to be used for building examinations moving forward. In addition to combining or rewording a few topics throughout the blueprint, the Board has added a new domain of the examination, titled “Technologies and Materials,” encompassing such topics as imaging, surgical technologies, and tissue engineering. With technology growing and changing the science and medical world around us more and more each day, the Board felt that this was a necessary addition to the blueprint, and we look forward to growing this area of our question bank.

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Want patients to know you’re Board Certified by ABOMS? Visit the online store in your Diplomate profile to order extra certificates (framed or unframed) and/or a Diplomate lapel pin.

You can also request customized press releases and patient brochures. Visit the “Resources” tab in your Diplomate profile for more information.

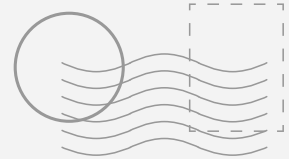


Join Us on Instagram

In addition to Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn, ABOMS now has an Instagram account! Follow us @ABOMSoofficial

We Moved!

ABOMS now has a new headquarters office. The new location facilitates easy access for quick meetings, as it is only a few miles from O’Hare International Airport, and it is much closer to affiliated organizations. All phone numbers, extensions, and emails have stayed the same.



NEW ADDRESS

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Join Us in Welcoming

Due to the pandemic, the 2021 Oral Certifying Examination was postponed until August of this year, rather than its normal February administration. We give special thanks and congratulations to the individuals listed below who not only successfully completed the certification process, but completed it during a time of changing schedules and general uncertainty. Please join us in giving a warm welcome to our newest ABOMS Diplomates!

Christopher Abernathy	Myles Davidson	Tony Kang	Erik Nielsen	Erin Shariff
Layeeq Ahmed	Frank de Latour	Jeffery Kesecker	Christopher Niquette	Kaushik Sharma
Omar Al-Ani	Jorge Del Valle	Eva Kiezik	Samuel Nwogu	Itien Shaw
Garrick Alex	Peter Dennis	Kyung Hoon Kim	Lauren Odon	Hector Siordia
Tamir Anver	Raymond Dickey	Scott Kim	Mohammad Okasha	Judson Smith
Taneenop Aramphongphan	Frank Doroba	Justin Kolasa	Andrew Onyejiuwa	Scott Smith
Andrew Arango	Ryan Dowling	Christopher Kuhns	Daniel Oreadi	Keith Sonneveld
Shyam Prasad Aravindaksha	Nkemakonam Egolum	Bruno Kuloba	Douglas Orzel	Travis Sorensen
Ferhan Aziz	Anthony Elger	Samuel Landrian	Mark Park	Brett Springer
Sam Bae	Thomas Elias	Christopher Latham	Taylor Parker	Maurice Srou
Christopher Bannon	Tarik Elmohd	Billy Laun	Laura Pashkowsky	Gordon Stabley
Wade Barker	Maryam Farag	Jessica Lee	Ryan Patel	Mitchell Steinberg
Erica Becker	Benjamin Farr	Michael Lee	Mugdha Patwardhan	Sara Stires
Matthew Black	Koby Ferguson	Joshua Levy	Craig Pearl	Ashley Sunstrum
Charles Boxx	Ryan Forney	Michael Lloyd	Nicholas Peretti	John Swearingen
Eliezer Brecher	Amir Francis	Eric Lomas	Jonathan Peri	Raj Thaker
Matthew Breit	Elie Freilich	Joshua Manuel	Jake Peterson	Kyle Thorsrud
Thomas Brislin	Jacob Gady	Andrei Marechek	James Phero	Matthew Tong
Seth Brooks	Kelsey Gardner LaPorte	Adam Marre	Justin Pisano	Jordan Tortorich
James Buckley	Patrick Gaus	Fatima Mashkoor	Alissa Pullos	Marc Toso
Thomas Burk	Sergey Gazarov	Nickolas Maskas	Charles Quasney	Jeffrey Tsai
Jason Burkes	Ivan Georgiev	Ian McComb	Anastasiya Quimby	Nicholas Tseffos
Matthew Burks	Scott Godwin	Shea McCue	Alexandra Radu	Mark Turner
Kevin Burns	Matthew Green	John McElveen	Matt Reiland	Soheil Vahdani
Brady Burton	Justin Grimes	Rachael McGehee	Brian Rethman	Alejandro Valladares
Byron Capps	Christopher Gurrries	Julia McKay	Ryan Richards	Tyler Varhol
Austin Carey	Jee Hoon Ha	Aidan McKinlay	Thomas Rogers	Samir Waris
Jennifer Caroline	Vance Hall	Brock McKinley	Bradley Romsa	Garrett Welch
Peter Cervenka	Broc Hammon	Wallace McLaurin	Matthew Rossen	Todd Wentland
Brian Cheung	James Harlan	Prakhar Mehrotra	Jillian Rozanski	Timothy Wentworth
Amy Chin	Philip Harrison	Matthew Midtling	Karissa Rumble	Justin Whiting
David Cho	Alexandria Hawkins	Ara Mirzaians	Zachary Saltman	Marie Woke
Paul Cho	Benjamin Hechler	Ashkan Mobini	Edward Santee	Changmin Yim
Michael Choi	Danielle Holland	Ali Mohammad	Edward Schaefer	Michael Yuan
Brian Christensen	Brandon Humberger	Efraín Montañez Morales	Benjamin Schaefer	Ahmed Zaidi
Bryan Clevenger	Jeffrey Ingalls	Christian Moore	John Schier	Stephanie Zastrow
Trent Clifton	Austin Ivey	William Morio	Mark Schlam	Joseph Zeidan
Marcus Couey	Tim Jaeger	Travis Nesbitt	Davin Schmidt	Benjamin Zuniga
Michael Courtney	Andrew Jenzer	Brent Newby	Travis Scholer	
Donald Craig Taylor	Sheng Ji	Anh Nguyen Do	Zachary Schonfield	
Hannibal Crisp	Travis Johnson	Omid Niavarani	Surbhi Sehgal	
Judson Dacher-Shapiro	Paul Kalish	Emery Nicholas	Amit Sethi	

Examination Committee

Each spring the Board of Directors selects a group of Examiners to serve on its current year's Examination Committee. This group of exceptional individuals aid in the development of the ABOMS computer-based testing (CBT) examinations and Oral Certifying Examination (OCE).

Committee members are responsible for submitting questions and cases for specific examinations and, at times, assigned to leadership positions within the Committee. The Board recognizes the time and commitment spent as an ABOMS Examiner and thanks our dedicated members in advancing the specialty.

Newly appointed Examiners, also known as Junior Examiners, serve as item writers for the ABOMS CBT examinations and Certification Maintenance processes. Individuals who serve in this role have the opportunity to be appointed as an Examiner to the OCE based on their performance as a Junior Examiner. A Diplomate must serve a minimum of two years as a Junior Examiner to be considered for a role as an OCE Examiner. Junior Examiners are marked with an asterisk on the Examination Committee listing below. Those in their first year as a Junior Examiner are marked with a double asterisk.

Edward Adlesic	Eugene D'Amico	Matt Jacks	Michael Markiewicz**	Nathan Schroeder
Tara Aghaloo*	David Dattilo	Courtney Jatana*	Nima Massoomi**	Joshua Segal*
John Allen	Dean DeLuke**	Douglas Johnson	Suzanne McCormick	John Shroyer
Suganya Appugounder*	Valmont Desa	Milan Jugan	Robert McNeill**	Jonathan Shum**
Jon Bailey	Robert Diecidue	Robert Julian	Edward Miller	Constantine Simos*
Michael Beckley	Jasjit Dillon	Vasiliki Karlis	Gayle Miranda	Paul Smith
Mark Beehner*	Donita Dyalram	Katherine Keeley	Brian Murphy	Jim Solomon
Richard Berger	Nathan Eberle**	Karen Keith	Gregory Ness	Roger Spampata
David Bitonti	Jeffrey Elo	Brian Kelley**	Brandon Newell*	Randall Stastny
George Blakey	Hany Emam**	Kevin Kempers	Alexis Olsson	Barry Steinberg
Gary Bouloux	Michael English**	Barry Kendall	Wayne Ozaki**	Larry Stigall
Todd Brandt	David Fallah*	Kelly Kennedy	Neeraj Panchal**	William Synan
Tuan Bui	Elie Ferneini	Greg Kewitt	Chan Park	Richard Szumita
Richard Burton	Luis Ferrer-Nuin	David Kim	Milan Pastuovic	R. John Tannyhill*
Kamal Busaidy	Bud Fidler	King Kim	Daniel Perez	Daniel Taub
Curt Cain	Elda Fisher*	JD Kisella	Leonel Perez*	Thomas Teenier
Ronald Caloss	Steven Fletcher	Alia Koch	Julia Plevnia	Jayson Terres
Lionel Candelaria	Pedro Franco	Antonia Kolokythas	Lee Pollan	Jayini Thakker**
Vincent Carrao	Earl Freymiller	Jack Krajekian**	Jason Portnof	Tibebu Tsegga*
Angelle Casagrande	Joel Funari	Deepak Krishnan	Kathlyn Powell*	Ashok Veeranki*
Paul Casmedes	Michael Gentile	Benjamin Kur**	John Ray*	Christopher Viozzi
Guillermo Chacon	Tamer Goksel	Carl Labella*	Gwendolyn Reeve**	Brent Ward
Srinivasa Chandra**	Dave Grogan	Edward Lahey	Shravan Renapurkar**	James Ward
Radhika Chigurupati	Christopher Haggerty	Janice Lee	Cory Resnick	Thomas Weil
Nam Cho	Michael Han**	Susie Lin	Ramon Ruiz	Dean Whitman*
Joli Chou**	Earl Hasegawa	John Lupori*	Sara Runnels	Monty Wilson**
Joseph Cillo	James Henderson*	Killian MacCarthy	Chris Saal	Melvyn Yeoh
Paul Ciuci	Alan Herford	Thomas MacKenzie	Michael Safian*	
William Clark	David Hunter	Stephen MacLeod	Salam Salman*	
David Cummings	Raza Hussain	Amir Marashi	Thomas Schlieve	

Leadership

Examination Committee members are selected by the Board to serve in leadership roles through the development and administration for both our CBT examinations and OCE. The individuals listed exude the highest level of professionalism and exceptional knowledge in the specialty. The Board of Directors graciously thanks each of these individuals for their time and commitment to the specialty.

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Surgery Section III

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CM Section Editor

Curt Cain

CAQ Committee

The following Diplomates are members of the ABOMS Certificate of Added Qualifications (CAQ) Examination Committees. We thank them for their work in building our exams in preparation for the next administration in 2022.

CAQ in Head and Neck Oncologic and Reconstructive Surgery

Kevin Arce
Allen Cheng
David Kang

Ashish Patel
Brian Schmidt
Ramzey Tursun

Fayette Williams
Brian Woo

CAQ in Pediatric Craniomaxillofacial Surgery

John Caccamese
Bernard J. Costello
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Michael Gentile
G.E. Ghali
Bonnie Padwa

Ramon Ruiz
Kevin Smith

CAQ Item Editors

Brian Schmidt—Head and Neck Oncologic and Reconstructive Surgery
Ramon Ruiz—Pediatric Craniomaxillofacial Surgery



Examination Statistics

2021 Oral Certifying Examination

Time Taken	Total Taking Examination	Total Passing Examination	Pass Rate
First Time Candidates	184	182	98%
Repeat Candidates	37	24	64%
Total/Overall	221	206	93%

Upcoming Examinations

2022 Qualifying Examination (QE)

January 8–15, 2022

2022 Oral Certifying Examination (OCE)

January 31–February 4, 2022, Raleigh, NC

2022 Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery In-service Training Examination (OMSITE)

February 5–19, 2022

Past Presidents' Brunch and the Annual Gala

Each year, we look forward to our annual brunch, honoring our past presidents and their spouses, as well as ABOMS Directors. We love the tradition of catching up and hearing what everyone has been up to over the past year. And what better way to end our week than with the annual gala, honoring our outgoing president, Dr. Larry Cunningham Jr., and the Examination Committee. We were sad to miss these events last year, which made this year extra special. Thank you, everyone, for a great week in Nashville!



Dr. David Bitonti welcomes Dr. Larry Cunningham Jr. to the family of ABOMS Past Presidents



The joy in the room was felt as Past Presidents shared updates and caught up with one another. (Pictured in foreground: Drs. G.E. Ghali and Douglas Sinn)



Dr. James Hupp fills in the group on his family and his past year



Guests mingle at the cocktail hour of the annual gala and dinner at the JW Marriott Nashville



Examiners take the stage with Dr. Cunningham to receive their recognition for having served on the Examination Committee for at least six years (those present at this gala include, from left to right: Drs. Jayson Terres, Kevin Kempers, Jasjit Dillon, Larry Stigall, Ronald Caloss, Joseph Cillo, and Kelly Kennedy)



Drs. Guillermo Chacon, Marty Steed, and Edward Miller pose with Dr. Cunningham while receiving their award for having served on the Examination Committee for nine years.



Dr. Cunningham toasts the crowd



New ABOMS President, Dr. Vincent Perciaccante, receives a warm welcome from Dr. Cunningham



Dr. and Mrs. BD Tiner, Dr. Egbert, and Dr. and Mrs. Fred Stephens enjoy their dinner and a fun evening



Guests get on their feet for an impromptu dance party



“Hats Off” to another great year!