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Letter from the President Earl R. Horowitz, DPM

What are you doing to promote yourself and the credentials you have earned from the ABMSP? Do you share with your patients that you have successfully passed a rigorous examination in order to demonstrate your knowledge and expertise? Do the insurance companies and hospitals you work with understand that the ABMSP is the only podiatric credentialing organization which has been accredited by both the National Council for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) of the Institute for Credentialing Excellence (ICE) and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI)?

The ABMSP works hard to promote the organization and its examinations to those who practice podiatry, but we need your help to promote it elsewhere. Use your credentials when you advertise your services. Place them on your business cards and prominently displayed in your office. Be sure to mention them if you are interviewed by the press. Make sure all your new patients understand that they have made an excellent choice by selecting a podiatrist with credentials from the ABMSP.

So, be sure to be proud of your credentials – and to let everyone else know how important they are.

Earl R. Horowitz, DPM
President
ABMSP

Letter from the Editor Theodore Varoz, DPM

Dear valued members of ABMSP:

Our Diplomates offer a “patient comes first” ideology where doctors and staff strive towards attentiveness. With board certification in Limb Preservation and Salvage, we bring to the practice of podiatry comprehensive foot and ankle care. This is particularly important in our patients with diabetes mellitus. This is a big step that enhances the relevance of ABMSP in Obama-Care for the future.

Letter from the Executive Director Joan Campbell, CAE

This is an exciting time in the life of the ABMSP. We’re celebrating our 25th anniversary (I’m hopeful you’ve seen our ads in podiatry magazines). We just introduced our fourth examination, Limb Preservation and Salvage, in our series of “multiple specialties” (look for an article by Kenneth Rehm, DPM and an interview with Earl Horowitz, DPM in the next issue of *Podiatry Management* on it). We’ve met many of you at the various conferences where we’ve had a booth this year. And we have exciting plans in the works which we will be unveiling in future issues of the newsletter.

ABMSP continues to thrive and grow, and I look forward to an exciting future.
Joan Campbell, CAE

Where to Find Us in 2012!

The ABMSP will be staffing a booth at the following shows in 2012. If you are attending any of these conferences and are willing to volunteer your time during breaks, please stop by our booth and offer to help answer questions.

Florida Podiatric Medical Association’s SAM MMXII, Orlando, FL. January 18 - 22, 2012. Booth #TBD

New York Podiatric Clinical Conference, New York, NY. January 27-29, 2012. Booth #TBD

Midwest Podiatry Conference, Chicago, IL. April 19—22, 2012 Booth #TBD

The Western Foot & Ankle Conference, Anaheim, CA. June 24-27, 2011. Booth # TBD

New Limb Preservation and Salvage Examination

On May 13 members of the ABMSP Board of Directors met to validate, approve, and set the passing score for the first Limb Preservation and Salvage examination. There are 250 multiple choice questions on the exam and the number of correct responses needed to pass is 175. The examination was first administered June 4-18 and will be administered again in October for those who missed the June test. The ABMSP would like to thank these members of the Board of Directors who spent hours validating the examination – and special thanks to Kenneth Rehm, DPM for his leadership in developing this new exam.

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Theodore Varoz

If you are a current diplomate of the ABMSP watch your mail for a coupon valued at \$250 off the price of the Limb Preservation and Salvage examination fee. The exam will next be offered in October and again in January 2012. For more information, download the Handbook for Candidates at <http://www.ptcny.com/pdf/LPS.pdf> and register so you can be among the first to have this new and important credential.

New Recertification Requirements

Insofar as the state license boards already require and verify CME credits in order to renew podiatric licenses, the ABMSP will no longer be requiring proof of CME credits for its Primary Care and Podiatric Surgery certifications (proof of CME credits in the area of diabetic foot wounds will still be required to recertify the Diabetic Foot Wounds credential). At the time of recertification the ABMSP will require a copy of a current podiatric license from the state in which you practice for recertification.

Social Networking

We are on Facebook and Linked In. If you are too, follow us—we will post information regarding where we will have booths at conferences, member meetings, deadlines, and other important information.



ANSI Accreditation Extended

The ABMSP was proud to have another on-site audit of its headquarters office this year by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). The results were that accreditation of our Primary Care and Podiatric Surgery examination were extended for another year, with absolutely no “non-conformities” found. That means that those two examinations have met the highest international standards set by the accrediting community.

Role Delineation Study

As part of our accreditation by the Institute of Credentialing Excellence (ICE) and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) we must conduct a role delineation of the practice of podiatry every five years. This role delineation identifies the tasks and knowledge areas that comprise the practice of podiatry today. The results of the study are used primarily to ensure that the examinations offered by the ABMSP measure what they are supposed to.

You should receive a link to the electronic survey in June. Please be sure to complete the survey because it will help to keep our certification program current. Every diplomate who participates will receive a coupon worth \$75 off their next annual dues.

Survey results will be reported in an issue of the newsletter later this year.

Leadership Changes on the ABMSP Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the ABMSP is delighted to welcome Larry Kipp DPM of Tampa, FL and Caroline Tiglio, DPM of Port Chester, NY to its Board of Directors. Additionally, in recent elections held at the meeting of the Board, Michael Salter, DPM of Rochester Hills, MI was elected Vice President and Kenneth Rehm, DPM of San Marcos, CA was elected Treasurer. Earl R. Horowitz, DPM continues to serve as President of the ABMSP with Theodore Varoz, DPM as Secretary. And we'd like to thank Anthony Borrelli, DPM who retired from the Board of Directors after more than 25 years of service. Dr. Borrelli was one of the founding members of the ABMSP, and is even listed on the original Articles of Incorporation.

We'd like to introduce the newest members of the Board of Directors, Caroline Tiglio and Larry Kipp who were elected to a three-year term on the Board, beginning May 1, 2011.

Caroline Tiglio, DPM

Dr. Tiglio earned her podiatric degree at Temple University in Philadelphia, PA where she was active in student leadership activities. Prior to attending Temple, she earned both a Bachelor and Master's Degree in Biomedical Engineering from The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC. Her post graduate training was at Loyola University Medical Center, Edward J. Hines Department of Veterans Affairs Hospital, both in Illinois, and at Doctors Hospital in Boston, TX.

Dr. Tiglio is licensed to practice podiatry in both New York and Connecticut and is certified in Primary Care by the ABMSP. She has been published with articles with a variety of magazines and journals. As member of the Board of Directors she wishes to bring an enthusiastic and fresh perspective to ABMSP.



Larry Kipp, DPM

Dr. Kipp graduated from the Illinois College of Podiatric Medicine and attended Grace University School of Medicine where he obtained his MD; he later completed a residency at St. John Hospital MacComb Center.

Dr. Kipp currently holds board certification by the American Board of Multiple Specialties in Podiatry in the Prevention and Treatment of Diabetic Foot Wounds and Foot Wear, American Board of Podiatric Surgery, American Board of Podiatric Orthopedics and Medicine and the American Academy of Wound Management.



Recertification

Are you recertifying in 2012? Notices will be mailed out in December. Please remember that recertification materials are due in the ABMSP office by March 1st. Any applications received between March 2—31st may not be approved by March 31st, so plan ahead and get it in on time. Any applications received between March 31—September 1 will incur a \$250 late fee. Applications received after September 2nd will not be processed, you must retake the examination and start the process anew.

Please be sure you include your current license, complete & signed application, consent form, driver's license, two multiple choice questions, certificates from contact hours in diabetic wounds (if you are certified in that specialty) and self assessment exam (s) if applicable. **Incomplete applications will be returned.**

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