PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

WHY ANOTHER BOARD CERTIFICATION IS NEEDED

Although there has been great improvement in the field of our specialty, our current certification, ABMSP, has so far not received as much recognition as other boards. There is a need for a board of certification for podiatric medicine to become synonymous with the American Board of Medical Specialties. In Podiatry, there are several boards in the field. Most are board certified, and there are multiple qualified boards in various phases of podiatric medicine and surgery. In order to develop certified dermatologist, as well as dermatological surgeons, the Board of Dermatology and Dermatological Surgeons, Inc. (BDDS) was created. It is similar to how the American Board of Medical Specialties defined board responsibilities for dermatologists. Certification indications also extend to specialties and subspecialties in podiatric medicine, which is a follow-up on the need for a board of certification in podiatric podiatry.

Additionally, a regional diplomate will be asked to notify our educational board of any current events, clinical courses, lectures or seminars, which are directly related to geriatric podiatric medicine. A diplomate in geriatric podiatric medicine will be asked to fulfill the requirements of the board. The ABMSP Board of Directors has recently approved a Regional Diplomate Network of Directors to monitor various requirements for geriatric podiatric medicine.

In order for ABMSP to gain more diplomates, we are considering developing a certification program in geriatric podiatric medicine, which may mean a specialization in geriatric podiatric medicine. The specialty of geriatric podiatric medicine must be able to standardize treatment of podiatric medicine and surgery. This requires us to develop a certification program in geriatric podiatric medicine in the future. Initially, we will consider various requirements, such as:

• A designated number of years of experience in treating senior patients.
• A designated number of years of experience in geriatric podiatric medicine.
• Certification or additional training in geriatric podiatric medicine.
• Research projects in the field of geriatric podiatric medicine.

Additionally, standards will be set for recertification and yearly CME requirements to enforce continuous professional education for geriatric podiatric medicine. The geriatric podiatry certification is not being developed for gaining more recognition from our medical colleagues and allied practitioners; it will likely function in a similar way to the American Board of Medical Specialties. We propose the title podogeriatrician. We propose the title podogeriatrician. We propose the title podogeriatrician. We propose the title podogeriatrician. We propose the title podogeriatrician. We propose the title podogeriatrician. We propose the title podogeriatrician. We propose the title podogeriatrician. We propose the title podogeriatrician. We propose the title podogeriatrician. We propose the title podogeriatrician.

To the specialty of podiatric medicine and surgery, the specialty of geriatric podiatric medicine will bring more recognition from our medical colleagues and allied practitioners, as well as increased marketing for geriatric podiatric medicine. In addition, it allows non-ADA-recognized dental specialties to be certified and recognized by the American Board of Multiple Specialties in Geriatric Podiatric Medicine (ABMSP). Numbers do matter. There is a limited market for DPMs to become diplomates in ABMSP.

A designated number of years of experience in treating senior patients will become the guidelines for the certification program. The specialty of geriatric podiatric medicine will be defined as podiatrists who have earned credentials in the field of geriatric podiatric medicine. A designated number of years of experience in treating senior patients will become the guideline for the certification program. The specialty of geriatric podiatric medicine will be defined as podiatrists who have earned credentials in the field of geriatric podiatric medicine. A designated number of years of experience in treating senior patients will become the guideline for the certification program. The specialty of geriatric podiatric medicine will be defined as podiatrists who have earned credentials in the field of geriatric podiatric medicine. A designated number of years of experience in treating senior patients will become the guideline for the certification program.

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