With this change, it is the Board's goal to motivate and raise the level of involvement with the Board. To that end, many Diplomates have voiced a desire or inquired about serving an additional term. The Board will also submit a statement for consideration.

President's Message

The ABCS is proud to present a medium for those seeking ABCS certified surgeons and Maintenance of Certification (MOC) credits. You are invited to submit an abstracts of no more than 250 words, which must be typed and sent in PDF format to Dr. Robert Shumway, MD, at shumwayr@athenixbody.com. The deadline for submission is October 19, 2014. The list of accepted abstracts will be announced in the December issue of Plastic Surgery. The first abstract accepted will be featured in the December edition. This is an opportunity to participate at a greater level.

Dr. Robert Shumway, MD
Executive Director

Practice Opportunities

ABC has a new online payment system to help you make your life a little easier. You can now pay your dues online! Visit www.americanboardcosmeticsurgery.org to see our new payment system. To help you save time and money, we've made it easy to pay your dues online. You can also call 219.836.8585.

ABC has partnered with Jhafner@athenixbody.com to create a database of invited surgeons. We invite you to join this network of qualified surgeons and make new friends. To join, please visit www.invitedsurgery.com.

ABC has a new maintenance of certification program. The program is designed to help you maintain your ABCS certification. The program consists of three parts: self-assessment, examination, and evaluation. The self-assessment is designed to help you identify your strengths and weaknesses. The examination is designed to test your knowledge and skills. The evaluation is designed to assess your performance and provide feedback. To learn more about the program, please visit www.moccertification.org.

Featured Diplomate: Suzan Obagi, MD

Suzan Obagi, MD serves as the Professor of Dermatology, Associate Professor of Plastic Surgery, and the Director of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC) Center for Cosmetic Surgery. She is the UPMC Professor of Medicine, Department of Dermatology, and the President of the Aesthetic Society of Plastic Surgeons. She has been named one of the top 100 cosmetic surgeons in the world and is the recipient of the prestigious Aesthetic Society of Plastic Surgeons Award. She has been named one of the top 100 cosmetic surgeons in the world and is the recipient of the prestigious Aesthetic Society of Plastic Surgeons Award. She has been named one of the top 100 cosmetic surgeons in the world and is the recipient of the prestigious Aesthetic Society of Plastic Surgeons Award.

What value do you find from your ABCS certification?

I find that the ABCS certification provides a level of recognition and respect in the medical community. It also helps me to stay current with the latest developments in the field.

What does the ABCS certification mean to you?

The ABCS certification is a mark of excellence and a symbol of my commitment to providing the highest level of care to my patients.

What kind of training did you receive to become certified by the ABCS?

I received extensive training in the field of cosmetic surgery, including plastic surgery, dermatology, and facial plastic surgery.

What advice would you give to someone considering ABCS certification?

I would advise them to do their research and make sure they understand the requirements and expectations of the ABCS certification. It is important to be committed to the field and to stay current with the latest developments in the field.

What is your favorite aspect of working in cosmetic surgery?

I enjoy the artistic aspect of cosmetic surgery and the opportunity to see my patients become more confident in their appearance.

What challenges do you face in your work as a cosmetic surgeon?

One of the challenges I face is staying current with the latest developments in the field. It is important to be up-to-date with the latest techniques and technologies.

What are some of the most rewarding aspects of your work?

I find the most rewarding aspect of my work is seeing my patients become more confident in their appearance. It is satisfying to see the positive impact I can have on my patients' lives.

What is the most important quality you look for when hiring a cosmetic surgeon?

I look for cosmetic surgeons who are dedicated to providing the highest level of care to their patients. It is important to have a strong commitment to the field and to stay current with the latest developments.

What is your favorite country to visit?

I enjoy visiting exotic countries like Tahiti and Thailand. The culture and food are always exciting.

What is your favorite cuisine?

I enjoy trying new foods and trying to get everything to go around the plate is a must. Our surgeons possess/understand what the values of safety and outstanding patient care. We also perform a complete range of breast augmentation and reduction, as well as treatment for skin disorders like acne, rosacea, and psoriasis.

The ideal candidate will possess both outstanding communication skills and surgical skills to perform surgery and build a practice as if it were a business. The ideal candidates will also embrace innovation with the objective of advancing patient outcomes, share their knowledge and experiences, and also enjoy working in a team setting.

Success comes through the hard work of residents through these 15 years. They get compliments for the first time in their lives! They also learn about the business aspect of their practice and actively managing the business aspect of a medical practice.

What is your favorite book?

I don't have a favorite book, but I enjoy reading about the history of medicine and the development of new technologies.

What is your favorite hobby?

I enjoy playing tennis and spending time with my family.

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