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Dear Diplomate,

Congratulations! Enclosed is your American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery (ABOS) Board Certification Certificate. Before you have this certificate framed, you may want to make copies of it for your records, as the ABOS does not retain originals or copies of your certificates.

In addition, we have enclosed brochures to distribute to your patients. The brochures explain the ABOS Board Certification and ABOS Maintenance of Certification processes and describe what was required of you to earn the ABOS Board Certified designation. For your convenience, we have also included a brochure holder. If you would like additional brochures, please email communications@abos.org.

We hope you are proud to be ABOS Board Certified and have enclosed a lapel pin and a window cling. You can find a similar ABOS Board Certified widget to download for your website by going to www.abos.org and logging in to your ABOS Dashboard. We also have a press release template that you can use to send to your local media outlets. You can request this by sending an email to communications@abos.org.

The ABOS has a new designation "ABOSD" that you can use after your name to designate that you are a Diplomate of the ABOS. For example, you can include on your business cards and signature files First Name Last Name, Degree, ABOSD.

Much goes into becoming ABOS Board Certified and maintaining Board Certification. Not every orthopaedic surgeon chooses to—or is able to—become ABOS Board Certified. Your patients may not know this and may not understand the value of being ABOS Board Certified. Please direct your patients to www.mycertifiedorthopaedicsurgeon.org—that is an ABOS website directed at patients. It informs patients about your significant accomplishment of attaining and maintaining ABOS Board Certification. I aso recommend visiting the ABOS Residency to Retirement Roadmap at www.abosroadmap.org.

As a Diplomate, your ABOS Board Certification is listed on the ABOS online Directory, which can be accessed by anyone using the "Verify Certification" button on the *www.abos.org* website. If you need a written verification letter for credentialing or licensure purposes, you can find that on your ABOS Dashboard by clicking on the "Verification Letter" button.

In order to keep abreast of important information, please log in to your ABOS Dashboard frequently to review your requirements, timelines, and deadlines. It is important that you periodically check to make sure that we have your correct email address, so that we may contact you with new information and important reminders as they become available. The ABOS only sends targeted emails—if you receive an email from the ABOS, it is meant specifically for you.

Please do not hesitate to contact the ABOS office if we can assist you in any way. Congratulations!

Regards,

David F. Martin, MD Executive Director



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