

New Year, New Leadership

January 2013 brings three individuals into key leadership positions of the American Board of Dermatology: Executive Director Thomas D. Horn, Associate Executive Director Lela A. Lee, and Assistant Executive Director Randall K. Roenigk.



Thomas D. Horn, MD, MBA
Executive Director

A graduate of Davidson College and the University of Virginia School of Medicine, Dr. Horn completed his internship in Pediatrics at University of Virginia,

residency in Dermatology at University of Maryland and fellowship in Dermatopathology at Johns Hopkins University. In 1999, he completed an MBA in Medical Business Administration at Johns Hopkins.

Currently a faculty member in the Departments of Dermatology and Pathology at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Dr. Horn has held numerous administrative leadership positions at Johns Hopkins University, University of Arkansas, Tufts University, the American Society of Dermatopathology, and Maryland Dermatologic Society. A lifetime certificate holder in Dermatology and Dermatopathology, he voluntarily recertified in 2001 and 2009. A Director of the American Board of Dermatology for 9 years, he became Associate Executive Director in 2009. His responsibility/role in this position has been to shepherd the ABD's efforts to comply with maintenance of certification, to assist diplomates to progress through the complexities of maintenance of certification, and to develop the programs to help diplomates through maintenance of certification.

Dr Horn's selection to the Executive Director position followed a national search. In addition to supporting the general and specific missions of the American Board of

Dermatology, Dr. Horn's immediate plan is to facilitate the success of the ABD strategic plan: communicate and educate dermatologists about the purpose and value of maintenance of certification; test the application of knowledge with particular emphasis on judgment and ethical behavior; use technology to facilitate maintenance of certification for diplomates of the ABD.



Lela A. Lee, MD
Associate Executive Director

Dr. Lee has accepted the position of Associate Executive Director. She is currently Clinical Professor of Dermatology and

Medicine at University of Colorado School of Medicine and formerly Chief of Dermatology at Denver Health Medical Center. Dr. Lee earned her bachelor degree at Rice University and medical degree at University of Texas Southwestern Medical School. Following an internship and residency in internal medicine at Temple University Hospital, she completed a dermatology residency and fellowship (immunodermatology) at University of Colorado. Dr. Lee served as a Director of the ABD from 2001-2009. Dr. Lee is a lifetime certificate holder of the American Board of Dermatology who has voluntarily recertified and is actively participating in maintenance of certification.

Dr. Lee will work with the Board and its committees to create a roadmap toward examination formats that emphasize critical thinking, judgment and decision-making.

in this issue

President's Message P.2

2013 Directors and Officers P.3

Examination Pass Rates P.4



Randall K. Roenigk, MD,
Assistant Executive Director

A practicing dermatologic surgeon, Dr. Roenigk is a Professor of Dermatology and

past Chair of Dermatology at Mayo Clinic, Rochester. He received his undergraduate and medical degrees from Northwestern University, his dermatology training at the University of Minnesota and completed fellowship training in dermatologic surgery and oncology at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation. In addition to leadership positions at Mayo Clinic, he has held positions in the American Academy of Dermatology, American Board of Medical Specialties, American Society of Dermatologic Surgery, and the Minnesota Dermatological Society. He served as a Director of the ABD from 2001-2009. Dr. Roenigk is a lifetime certificate holder of the American Board of Dermatology; he voluntarily recertified and is actively participating in maintenance of certification.

As the new Assistant Executive Director, Dr. Roenigk will serve as a special liaison to the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) in order to provide consistent representation of the Board at the various meetings sponsored by the ABMS. •

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Terry L. Barrett, MD



First, let me wish you a happy and prosperous New Year.

Having served for many years on the RRC for Dermatology and Dermatopathology, on test writing committees, and for the past 8 years as an ABD Director, it is an honor for me to now serve as President. Along with our Vice President, Jean Bolognia, and the other Directors, the Board is committed to insuring

the public that our Diplomates have met and will continue to meet the highest standards of Dermatology practice.

The Board of Directors regularly meets to discuss important issues. This past year the Board held a retreat in Chicago for an in-depth focus on how to better serve our Diplomates, especially as it relates to MOC requirements. The Board of Directors is committed to insuring that the ABMS MOC requirements are met in a manner that is of the highest educational value to our Diplomates while having as little financial impact and time requirement as possible.

We have improved communications regarding the MOC requirements, notifying each Diplomate on what needs to be accomplished in any particular year. Many of you likely have received notices updating you on your status. Our plan is to continue this process as well as to improve the website design to make it even more user-friendly.

The ABD also developed a PowerPoint presentation that Directors can give at state Dermatology Society meetings. If your state Dermatology Society would like one of our Directors to give a presentation on MOC, simply contact the Board office. We are happy to do so.

Of course our core mission is testing. This affects dermatologists at every step of their careers from the in-training examination during residency to the certifying examination following residency and then through the MOC process during practice.

The Board continually looks for ways to improve the examinations. We are also working with the RRC to ensure that residents graduating from accredited Dermatology programs are familiar with the MOC process.

Working with the ABMS as well as the AAD, the ABD continues to communicate and educate the public about the importance of Board Certification and Maintenance of Certification.

It has truly been a privilege to have served as a Director of the American Board of Dermatology. Although I have enjoyed the work, the true privilege is working with exceptional individuals in Dermatology as well as with staff members who are absolutely first class. All Directors, test writing committee members, and RRC members are volunteers. It is clear from having worked with many people over the past several years that the spirit of giving back to the Dermatology community is alive and well and very exciting to experience. Although we had to say goodbye in 2012 to Toni Hood, our talented Executive Director and friend, with the assistance of our Vice President, the ABD Directors, our new but very experienced Executive Director Tom Horn and the administrative staff under the leadership of Margaret Aguiar, I look forward to an exciting and productive 2013. •

THE AMERICAN BOARD OF DERMATOLOGY WELCOMES TWO NEW DIRECTORS



Edward W. Cowen, MD, MHS

Ed Cowen joins the ABD as a Director in 2013. Currently a staff clinician with the Dermatology Branch of the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, Maryland, he also has academic appointments at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences and Division of Dermatology at Georgetown University.

Dr. Cowen received his undergraduate degree at Cornell University, medical degree from Pennsylvania State College of Medicine, did a dermatology residency at the University of Rochester, a clinical research fellowship at the National Cancer Institute and his Masters of Health Sciences from Duke University. His research interests are graft vs. host disease, primary and acquired immunodeficiencies, and autoinflammatory skin disease. Dr. Cowen has and will continue to serve on the General Dermatology Curriculum Committee for the ABD certifying examination. Dr. Cowen is certified in dermatology and is participating in maintenance of certification.



Hensin Tsao, MD, PhD

Hensin Tsao joins the ABD as a new Director whose term begins in 2013. Dr. Tsao received his undergraduate education from Brown University, his PhD and MD from Columbia University and did his postgraduate work in the Harvard system. He joined the faculty of the Harvard Medical School in 1997 and currently is an Associate Professor in Dermatology. He

has a faculty position in the Wellman Center for Photomedicine at the Massachusetts General Hospital. At the MGH, he is Director of the Melanoma and Pigmented Lesion Center and Director of the Melanoma Genetics Program. Dr. Tsao is board-certified in dermatology and is participating in maintenance of certification. He has participated in the Basic Science Curriculum Committee at the American Board of Dermatology and will continue to serve on the certification examination committee. •

ABD Mission:

The American Board of Dermatology is a voluntary, non-profit organization whose mission is to assure safe, high-quality dermatologic care for the public by setting, promoting and assuring standards of excellence in the practice of our specialty.



The American Board of Dermatology, Inc. ***2013 DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS***

Terry L. Barrett, MD, President
 Christopher J. Arpey, MD, President-Elect
 Jean L. Bolognia, MD, Vice President
 Edward W. Cowen, MD
 Dirk M. Elston, MD
 Janet A. Fairley, MD
 Stanley J. Miller, MD
 Clark C. Otley, MD
 Amy S. Paller, MD
 James W. Patterson, MD
 Marta J. Petersen, MD
 Julie V. Schaffer, MD
 Robert A. Silverman, MD
 Erik J. Stratman, MD

Hensin Tsao, MD
 Karen E. Warschaw, MD
Public Member:
 Susan G. Herrington, CAE, CMP

 Thomas D. Horn, MD, MBA, Executive Director
 Lela A. Lee, MD, Associate Executive Director
 Randall K. Roenigk, MD, Assistant Executive Director

 Margaret M. Aguiar, Administrator
 Jean Modaffare, Assistant Administrator
 Pamela S. Zuziak, MOC Coordinator
 Elysia McGowan, Examination Development Specialist
 Cynthia Campbell, Staff Assistant

CME MOC Credit

In response to a diplomate suggestion, the ABD will credit you with 60 CME hours on your MOC table in the year following successful completion of the certifying or recertifying (MOC) examinations. You do not need to pay the AMA fee to have the CME credits recognized by the ABD. We will do so automatically. If you wish to have the credits recognized by any other organization, such as the American Academy of Dermatology, application to the AMA is still necessary. •

MOC Enrollment

There are currently
4,610 diplomates
 who are
 enrolled in MOC.

IMPORTANT REMINDER ***TO UPDATE YOUR PROFILE ON THE ABD WEBSITE*** ***www.abderm.org***

The American Board of Dermatology database is available online to residents, fellows and diplomates. Please review and modify your personal information periodically, especially to verify that we have your current email address. Help us keep the lines of communication open.

Here is how to do your part:

1. Go to the home page of the ABD website (www.abderm.org) and click on the white "Login" in the upper left corner of the screen.
2. Your Username is the first initial of your first name

plus your last name (example: the username for Jane Smith is JSmith). There are exceptions though. If you have a common last name there may be a numeral at the end of your username. Call the Board office at 313-874-1088 to inquire.

3. Your Password is your six-digit candidate ID number. After logging in, you can change your password if you wish (click on "UserID" and then click on "Edit").

4. Once you have successfully logged in, click on "Profile" to verify your personal information and then click on "Edit" to supply any missing

information. Also, verify and/or provide your email address. Because the ABD uses email for primary communication to diplomates, it is vitally important to keep all information up to date.

Candidates can apply online for all ABD examinations -- Certification, Recertification, Dermatopathology, and Pediatric Dermatology.

Telephone the Board office at 313-874-1088 if you have questions or need help with your username or password. •

EXAMINATION PASS RATES 2012 ABD EXAMINATIONS

	# CANDIDATES	PASS RATE
Certifying	457	94.7%
Recertification	541	96.1%
Dermatopathology	42 Dermatologists 54 Pathologists 96 Total	100% 87% 92.7%
Pediatric Dermatology	43	86%

EXAMINATION DATES 2013 ABD EXAMINATIONS

	APPLICATION DEADLINE	DATE	SITE
Certifying	March 1	July 15-18 July 22-25	Tampa, FL Tampa, FL
MOC/Recertification		March 21 to April 5 (excl. Sunday)	Pearson VUE testing centers
Dermatopathology	May 1	September 10	Tampa, FL
Pediatric Dermatology		Next examination in 2014	Pearson VUE testing centers

Invite an ABD Director to Speak

The Board wants to promote communication with its diplomates. Invite a Director to speak at your city or state society meeting at our expense.

As a bonus, you will get a clinically-oriented lecture for CME credit.

Contact the ABD office by email for details: abderm@hfhs.org.

VISIT THE ABD BOOTH (#1070)
AT THE AAD ANNUAL MEETING IN MIAMI
MARCH 2 - 4, 2013

Maintenance of Certification and more.



THE AMERICAN BOARD
OF DERMATOLOGY, INC.

Henry Ford Health System
1 Ford Place
Detroit, MI 48202-3450
313-874-1088

FAX: 313-872-3221

Website: <http://www.abderm.org>
abderm@hfhs.org