Appendix

Subspecialty Certification in Sports Medicine

Subspecialty certification in sports medicine is under direction of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery (ABOS). The five-year “grandfather period” for any surgeon seeking this certification expired in 2012. Therefore, applicants are now required to have completed an Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)-accredited and/or Arthroscopy Association of North America (AANA)-recognized sports medicine fellowship to sit for the examination. Simultaneous recertification for both Orthopaedic Surgery and Sports Subspecialty qualification is now available for surgeons who have previously received subspecialty certification. A complete list of requirements, including eligible sports medicine cases, is available online at the ABOS web site (www.abos.org).

The application deadline for the 2013 subspecialty examination was March 15, 2013. Candidate scheduling/admission permits will be posted online in July 2013 and the examination will be administered on October 24, 2013, at Prometric Technology Centers nationwide. The 2014 application materials will be available on the ABOS web site. The American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine (AOSSM) and American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS) review course for subspecialty certification in orthopaedic sports medicine will be held in August 2013 in Chicago, Illinois, and information on this course can be found at the AOSSM web site (www.sportsmed.org). Applications for the 2013 examination are available online.

Sports Medicine Fellowships

Sports medicine remains the most popular fellowship among graduating orthopaedic residents matriculating in subspecialty fellowships. There are currently ninety-three orthopaedic sports medicine fellowship programs registered in the match, representing 219 positions. The match process continues to receive positive reviews from fellowship applicants and program directors alike.

Upcoming Meetings

The annual meeting of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons will be held March 11 through 15, 2014, in New Orleans, Louisiana. The annual meeting of the AANA will be held August 10 through 13, 2013, in Las Vegas, Nevada. The annual meeting of the AOSSM will be held July 11 through 14, 2013, in Chicago, Illinois.