

The American Board
of
Dental Specialties



ABDS



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- Independent Organization
- Dental Specialty Boards
- Specialty Candidate Examiners



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- Independent Organization
 - No supportive trade organization
 - Formed 2013
 - Modeled After American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS)
 - Formed in 1933 to advance specialization in medicine and be independent of the AMA



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- Independent Organization
 - Independent and objective
 - Evidence-based processes for evaluation and recognition of dental certifying boards
 - Assist state regulators to recognize dental specialists



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- Required evidence-based processes for the evaluation and recognition of dental certifying boards
 - Incorporated and independent organization
 - Minimum of two (2) two-year or more dedicated post graduate programs in the specific specialty based at a US university or hospital
 - Council on Dental Accreditation (CODA) approved
 - Written and oral examination of the candidates specific to the specialty which are regularly psychometrically evaluated and supported
 - Regular process of recertification of those candidates that are certified



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- Current ABDS Dental Specialty Member Boards
 - American Dental Board of Anesthesiology
 - American Board of Oral Medicine
 - American Board of Orofacial Pain
 - American Board of Oral Implantology/Implant Dentistry



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- Current ABDS Dental Specialty Member Boards
 - Certify new Diplomates of member boards following successful completion of required examinations
 - Maintain membership roles of active Diplomates to assure Diplomates have satisfied requirements for continued certification



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- <https://dentalspecialties.org>