



ABPD Core Value: A Fair and Valid Examination



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- Excellence in Pediatric Oral Health Care
- A Fair and Valid Examination
- A Commitment to Lifelong Learning
- Quality Improvement in Health Care
- Leadership
- Collaboration
- Effective Stewards

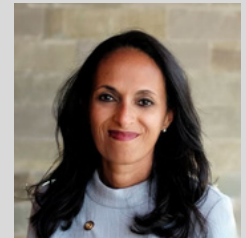
One of the core values of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry (ABPD) is “A fair and valid examination.” Two recent ABPD task forces have focused their efforts on the goal of ensuring this core value.

The Initial Certification Intent Task Force worked with industry experts to clarify the intent of initial certification by creating the following construct statement. “The ABPD initial certification process assesses the habitual and thoughtful use of specialized knowledge and skills, clinical reasoning, communication, and professionalism required of entry-level pediatric dentists for safe and effective practice to benefit the individuals, families, and communities served.” This foundation statement will guide ABPD policy and procedures on examination construction and committee membership.

The Practice Analysis Task Force worked in a multi-step process to ensure our initial certification is reflective of the current practice of pediatric dentistry. As a result, the new examination blueprints will ensure we are testing concepts that are important, critical, frequent, and relevant to the current practice of pediatric dentistry.

ABPD strongly believes the work of these task forces supports the purpose of initial certification. Board certification is designed to identify to the public dentists who have met specific training requirements in pediatric dentistry and have demonstrated proficiency in safe and effective practice to benefit the individuals, families, and communities served.

For more information on ABPD’s construct statement or the new examination blueprints, please visit www.abpd.org.



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ABPD Examination Committee Updates

ABPD would like to thank the following diplomates for completing their term of service.

Qualifying Examination Committee

Bina Katechia, Glastonbury, CT
Madhu Mohan, Warren, NJ

Oral Clinical Examination Committee

Toddrick Smith, Germantown, TN
Brent Moody, Oklahoma, OK
Scott Nieman, Westerville, OH
Shera Sims, Harrisonville, MO
Mira Albert, Hinsdale, IL

Renewal of Certification Process Committee

Joseph Tylka, Long Grove, IL
Jennifer Hargleroad, Fort Collins, CO

ABPD is proud to present the following diplomates as new leaders on our 2023 Examination Committees.

Qualifying Examination Committee

Chair: Homa Amini, Dublin, OH
Vice Chair: Thomas Tanbonliong, San Francisco, CA
Part Leader: Jennifer Cully, Cincinnati, OH

Oral Clinical Examination Committee

Chair: Daniela Silva, Los Angeles, CA
Vice Chair: Reena Kuba, Irving, TX
Part Leader: Shahrbanoo Fadavi, Chicago, IL

*Thank you for all
you do for ABPD!*

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May 25-28, 2023
Gaylord Palms
Orlando, FL

ABPD Recognition Ceremony
4:30 - 6:30PM, May 25
(Invitation Only)