



# Newsletter of the American Board of Oral Implantology/Implant Dentistry

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## ABOI/ID Board President

Craig D. Cooper, DDS



I want to first of all congratulate the 25 successful candidates for Diplomate of the ABOI who recently successfully completed the Board exam. The ABOI believes very strongly that Diplomate is the highest level of achievement in implant dentistry. The charter of the Board is to identify to the profession

and to the public those doctors who are the best in our discipline. I would encourage anyone who desires to earn this designation to make an application to take the exam. The ABOI is sponsoring a Board review at the national AAID meeting in Orlando as well as in Chicago in February.

The seven members of the Board work very diligently to make the exam relevant and psychometrically valid. I want to personally thank the Board as well as the nine other Diplomates who served as examiners this last March. The oral exam is an academic and clinical challenge for those taking the exam but it is two long and exhausting days for those giving the exam. The Board gets very high marks from the examinees on the professionalism of the exam. I would encourage any Diplomate that wants to serve as an examiner to contact the Board. The Board is meeting in July for a two day strategic planning session to review not only the exam, but the entire application process to assure that anyone that is qualified can rather easily make an application to take the exam.

The ABOI has a new Executive Director. LaTasha Bryant started about a year ago and has quickly become a resource for all current Diplomates as well as those who want to make an application for the exam. LaTasha is currently re-

viewing and updating the web site to make it more relevant as well as more user-friendly.

Lastly and importantly I want to thank the American Academy of Implant Dentistry and their Board of Directors for their support. As the sponsoring organization of the Board the relationship between the ABOI and the AAID is very important. The AAID recently supported and help organize the American Board of Dental Specialties. This new Board will work hard in both the public and legal forums to insure that Diplomates of the Board are free to advertise and present themselves to the public as specialists in implant dentistry, along with their credentials, without unnecessary interference from any government or private entity.

## Nomination of ABOI/ID New Board Member for 2015



The Board of Directors of the ABOI/ID is comprised of seven members, each of whom serves a rotating seven-year term. This means, each year, after the Past President retires from the Board a new Director is selected and the existing members advance to the next position.

On December 31, 2014, Dr. Natalie Y. Wong will vacate her seat as Past President. Dr. Wong's departure makes a new position available on the ABOI/ID Board.

As it is empowered to do by the ABOI/ID Bylaws, the 2014 Board of Directors has nominated Dr. Fred Gustave for the 2015 Director position.

Dr. Fred Gustave is a Board Certified Oral and Maxillo-facial Surgeon who has been in private practice for

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# 2014 New Diplomates

Our new Diplomates worked hard to achieve this accomplishment in their professional lives. Please congratulate the following doctors on their new Diplomate status:



**Jay Ajmo, DDS**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Palm Beach Gardens, FL**

- Graduated from Emory University School of Dentistry in 1986
- Mastership with the Misch International Implant Institute
- Board Certified in IV Sedation



**Adil Jadoo Albaghdadi, DMD**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Shelby Township, MI**

- Graduated from Boston University Dental School
- Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry
- Fellow of the Academy of General Dentistry



**Carlos Alfonso, DDS, MS**  
*Board Certified Prosthodontist*  
**New York, NY**

- Graduated from New York University College of Dentistry
- Completed GPR at Harlem Hospital
- Completed Prosthodontic program at Columbia University
- College of Physicians and Surgeons



**Nezih Jajou Bachuri, DMD**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Troy, MI**

- Graduated from Tufts University in 2002
- Completed Georgia MaxiCourse® in 2011
- Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry



**Jesus R. Barreto, DDS**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Miramar, FL**

- Graduated from Dugoni School of Dentistry
- Fellow of Misch Institute
- Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry



**Victor R. Camones, DDS**  
*Prosthodontist*  
**La Mirada, CA**

- Graduated from Cayetano Heredia Peruvian University
- Completed Prosthodontic Program at University of South California
- Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry



**Robert Castracane, DMD**  
*General Practitioner*  
**New York, NY**

- Graduated from Tufts University of Dental Medicine
- Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry
- Fellow Misch International Implant Institute



**Joseph Cillo, Jr., DMD**  
*Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon*  
**Pittsburgh, PA**

- Graduated from University of Pittsburgh
- Fellowship in Maxillofacial Tumor and Reconstructive Surgery at University of Miami
- Assistant Professor and Program Director of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Allegheny General Hospital



**Joseph Gendler, DDS**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Hopkins, MN**

- Graduated from New York University School of Dentistry
- Completed Implant Residency in 2001



**Hubert Hawkins IV, DDS, MPH**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Littleton, NH**

- Graduated from SUNY School of Dental Medicine in Buffalo, NY
- Associate Fellow of the AAID



**James A. Miller, DMD**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Hillsboro, OR**

- Received his dental degree from University of Oregon Health Sciences Center
- Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry
- Master of the Academy of General Dentistry



**Fahad Khalifa, BDS**  
*Periodontist*  
**Jeddah, Saudi Arabia**

- Received dental degree from Saudi Arabia at King AbdulAziz University
- Completed graduated studies in Periodontics/Prosthodontics at University of Pennsylvania
- Implant Fellowship at University of Pennsylvania
- Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology



**Winston Muditajaya, DDS**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Pico Rivera, CA**

- Graduated from Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC
- Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry



**Fred J. Kim, DDS**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Redondo Beach, CA**

- Received his dental degree from Loma University School of Dentistry
- Fellow of the Academy of General Dentistry



**James Oshetski, DDS**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Brunswick, ME**

- Graduated from the University of Maryland School of Dentistry
- Completed the GPR program at the Baltimore Veterans Affairs Medical Center.



**Nicolas LaFrance, DMD**  
*General Practitioner*  
**St. Basile le Grand, PQ CANADA**

- Graduated from the University of Montreal
- Graduated from the Canadian Institute of Implantology
- Teaches the Implantology segment at Academie Dentaire Multidisciplinaire



**Badr Majed Othman, BDS**  
*Periodontist*  
**Philadelphia, PA**

- Graduated from King Abdulaziz University, Saudi Arabia
- Post Doctoral Periodontics/Periodontal Prosthesis Certificate from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine



**Nimesh Patel, DDS**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Irvine, CA**

- Graduated from University of Pacific/San Francisco Dental School
- Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry



**Donald J. Provenzale Jr., DDS**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Downer Grove, IL**

- Graduated from Loyola University School of Dentistry
- Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry



**Richard Winter, DDS**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Milwaukee, WI**

- Graduated from the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry
- Master of the Academy of General Dentistry



**William Tyler, DMD**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Mission, BC CANADA**

- Graduated from the University of British Columbia School of Dentistry
- Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry
- Fellow of the International College of Dentistry



**Inwoo Yi, DDS**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Gimcheon, Gyungbook SOUTH KOREA**

- Graduated from Dental School of Seoul National University in South Korea
- Completed Postdoctoral Preceptorship program in Advanced Implantology at Maxillofacial Surgery at University of California Los Angeles
- Completed Medical College of Georgia MaxiCourse®
- Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry



**Ash Vasanthan, DDS, MS**  
*Board Certified Periodontist*  
**Roseville, CA**

- Graduated from the University of Alabama at Birmingham



**Andreas M. Vizirakis, DDS, MS**  
*Board Certified Periodontist*  
**Troy, MI**

- Received his dental degree and certificate in Periodontics from the University of Detroit Mercy



**Rudy Wassenaar, DMD**  
*General Practitioner*  
**Williams Lake, BC CANADA**

- Received his dental degree from University of Amsterdam
- Master of the Academy of General Dentistry

## Continuing ABOI/ID Board Mem- bers

Members of the Board of Directors who will be continuing their service in 2015 include:



**Emile Martin, DDS**  
President



**Jack Piermatti, DMD**  
Vice President



**Arthur K. Molzan, DDS**  
Secretary



**Kevin J. O'Grady, DDS**  
Treasurer



**C. Stephen Caldwell, DDS**  
Director



**Craig D. Cooper, DDS**  
Past-President

## Calendar of Important Events

### Tuesday, September 9, 2014

- Diplomates nominations for the ABOI/ID Board of Directors are due by 5:00pm Central Time

### Wednesday, October 15, 2014

- Application deadline for Parts I & II of the ABOI/ID 2015 certification examination
- Current Diplomates should encourage their colleagues to apply. To find out more information please visit our website: [www.aboi.org](http://www.aboi.org).

### November 5-8, 2014

- AAID's annual meeting in Orlando, FL (Pre-register at [www.aaid.com](http://www.aaid.com))

### Friday, November 7, 2014

- ABOI/ID Diplomate Induction Luncheon

### Saturday, November 8, 2014

- AAID President's Celebration dinner during which Diplomates will be honored along with newly credentialed members of the AAID

### February 6-7, 2015

- ABOI/ID Implantology Update and Comprehensive Board Review Course, Chicago, IL

### March 20-22, 2015

- ABOI/ID Certification Examinations

## ABOI/ID Activities at the AAID Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL

The annual meeting of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry (AAID) will be held in:

Orlando, Florida | November 5-8 2014.

### • ABOI Certification Process Explained and How to Complete the Part I and Part II Applications

Thursday, November 6

8:00 am – 10:00 am

**FREE**

This program will provide useful information about the ABOI/ID Certification process as well as answer any questions you may have about completing and submitting your applications.

### • ABOI Oral Exam Workshop - NEW

Thursday, November 6

1:30pm – 5:30pm

**FREE**

This program is designed to provide candidates with a realistic simulation of the oral examination experience, including the examination environment and sample examination content. Dr. James Rutkowski will conduct a mock oral examination that will help bring clarity to candidates as they continue their journey of preparing for board certification.

### • ABOI/ID Diplomate Induction Luncheon

Friday, November 7

12:00 noon – 1:30 pm

**Cost: \$100**

During this event, ABOI/ID President Craig Cooper will present the new Diplomates with their medallions and recognize ABOI/ID's past presidents and currently serving committee members. Tickets are required and must be purchased in advanced through the AAID. Please join us in welcoming our New Diplomates



## 2014 ABOI/ID Board of Directors

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thirty-five years in Carbondale, Illinois. After graduating from Temple University Dental School in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania he attended a residency in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Washington University in St. Louis, MO. He is an Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry and has been active with the AAID for the last eleven years and most recently served as president of the Central District. He also serves on the Education Oversight Committee for the AAID and has served as an ABOI/ID examiner for the last five years.

Dr. Gustave reports that he is ready to serve on the Board in the most energetic way possible, working to further the goals of the ABOI/ID and maintain and advance their position as the premiere certifying Board in implant dentistry.

Please congratulate Dr. Fred Gustave on his nomination to the ABOI/ID Board of Directors.

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## **Diplomates can also Nominate Candidates to the Board**

Diplomates of the ABOI/ID can nominate individuals for the Board's open seat, providing at least five Diplomates endorse the nomination.

To be eligible for nomination:

- Diplomates must be in good standing with the ABOI/ID, be a Fellow or Associate Fellow of the AAID, and cannot be an officer or member of the Board of any other oral implant organization or of any other dental or medical specialty board.
- Consistent with the Bylaws, all nominations must be received in the ABOI/ID headquarters office by 5:00 pm Central time, Tuesday, September 9, 2014.
- If no other candidate is nominated, on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, the ABOI/ID Board will confirm their board nominee as the new member of the Board of Directors for 2015.

If you have any questions regarding the voting and nomination process, please contact the ABOI/ID Headquarters.