Dear Residency Program Leadership:

To ensure you consider the value of registering your residents now for AAOS Orthopaedic Board Preparation (Part 1) and Review Course (BPR) course, we would like to share key details about the course that help position your residents for passing the Part I exam in July.

The Academy has been preparing residents for the Part 1 ABOS exam for over 30 years. Our focus is to present the key testable material to residents in formats that maximize their chances of passing the exam. Today, residents prefer to study and review in multiple formats—conventional lectures, group discussions, electronic formats, videos, and self-study questions. Through participant and faculty feedback, as directors we have refined and evolved this course experience each year to give participants more educational content in more format choices than any other board preparation course.

In addition to the content presented during this 4 ½ day course, participants have access to an exclusive Board Prep content site that provides:

- 10 recorded webinars on specialty topics, including Adult Reconstruction, Sports Medicine, Basic Science, Pathology and more
- 8 high-yield videos with key study points across all orthopaedic content domains
- A pathology presentation reviewing the most commonly tested diagnoses
- More than 1,000 AAOS self-assessment questions to measure learning
- The full set of faculty presentation slides from the course for review
- A 200 question self-assessment exam to practice test-taking

This year, faculty members will also present a post-course webinar on test-taking skills and strategies to help residents refine their testing skills and optimize their performance on this high-stakes Part 1 examination.

Although the AAOS course is best suited for PGY 5 residents who are in “crunch-mode” for the July exam, we also encourage younger residents to attend. It is especially helpful to those who have struggled with the annual orthopaedic in-training examination (OITE). Engaging and preparing these residents early during their residency can help set a strong foundation as they approach their chief year, when impacting their score becomes more difficult.

As always, we appreciate the opportunity to serve our membership and look forward to collaborating with you as you prepare your residents for the most important examination of their careers.

Please visit the course website at www.aaos.org/BoardPrep for details and registration. It takes place in Chicago, April 5 – 9, 2016. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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