ABOS STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

**ABOS Mission Statement:** To ensure safe, ethical, and effective practice of orthopaedic surgery, the ABOS maintains the highest standards for education, practice, and conduct through examination, certification, and maintenance of certification for the benefit of the public.

1. **ABOS Leadership in Orthopaedic Surgery Board Certification.**
   - **GOAL #1:** Assert ABOS leadership position in Board Certification by setting the highest standards for the assessment of education, practice, and conduct from enrollment in residency training through retirement.
   - **GOAL #2:** Ensure the value of Initial Board Certification and Maintenance of Certification (MOC).

2. **Effective Assessment of Orthopaedic Surgeon Competence.**
   - **GOAL #1:** Continuous improvement of the Written Examinations for Board Eligibility.
   - **GOAL #2:** Continuous improvement of the Oral Examination and Maintenance of Certification for Board Certification.

3. **Standard Setting in Orthopaedic Surgery Graduate Medical Education.**
   - **GOAL #1:** Advancement of competency-based education through the ABOS Knowledge, Skills, and Behavior (ABOS KSB) Program.
   - **GOAL #2:** Partner with Orthopaedic and national educational organizations.

4. **Advancements of the Profession of Orthopaedic Surgery.**
   - **GOAL #1:** Foster research relevant to the ABOS mission.
   - **GOAL #2:** Ensure Board Certification processes that promote Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion for the profession.