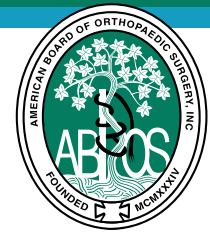


ABOS Oral Examinations

Scoring Rubric



	3 Above Expected Level	2 Expected Level	1 Below Expected Level	0 Unacceptable
Data Gathering	Records all pertinent history Records complete physical examination Uses and comprehensively interprets basic and advanced imaging and other diagnostic studies Records are complete	Records history at the expected level Records physical examination at the expected level Use and interpretation of basic and advanced imaging and other diagnostic studies at the expected level Records are at the expected level	Records insufficient history Records insufficient physical examination Insufficient use or interpretation of basic or advanced imaging or other diagnostic studies Records are insufficient	Records inaccurate or grossly deficient history Records inaccurate or grossly deficient physical examination Unacceptable use or interpretation of basic or advanced imaging or other diagnostic studies Records are inaccurate or grossly deficient
Diagnosis and Interpretive Skills	Synthesis of information gathered is complete Formation of comprehensive differential diagnosis Complete integration of information to form the correct diagnosis	Synthesis of information gathered is at the expected level Formation of differential diagnosis is at the expected level Integration of information to form the correct diagnosis is at the expected level	Synthesis of information gathered is insufficient Formation of differential diagnosis is incomplete but not incorrect Integration of information to form the correct diagnosis is below the minimally expected level	Synthesis of information gathered is unacceptable Formation of inaccurate or grossly deficient differential diagnosis Unacceptable integration of information or formation of incorrect diagnosis
Treatment Plan	Patient is thoroughly informed of the treatment plan The planned treatment is above the expected level and includes informed consent The planned follow-up is complete and above the expected level for the treatment and includes the effect on the outcome	Patient is informed of the treatment plan as expected The planned treatment is at the expected level and includes informed consent The planned follow-up is at the expected level for the treatment and includes the effect on the outcome	Patient is insufficiently informed of the treatment plan The planned treatment is insufficient The planned follow-up is insufficient for the treatment	Patient is not informed of the treatment plan The planned treatment is unacceptable although it may include informed consent There is no planned follow-up or evidence of an attempt to follow-up or the planned follow-up is unacceptable for the treatment
Surgical Indications	Non-surgical treatment is above the expected level and has not sufficiently relieved the patient's symptoms The history, physical examination, and radiographs or other studies are above the expected level and fully support the surgery performed The surgery performed is fully indicated	Non-surgical treatment is at the expected level and has not sufficiently relieved the patient's symptoms The history, physical examination, and radiographs are at the expected level and sufficiently support the surgery performed The surgery performed is sufficiently indicated	Non-surgical treatment is below the minimally expected level The history, physical examination, or radiographs insufficiently support the surgery performed The surgery performed is insufficiently indicated	Non-surgical treatment is unacceptable The history, physical examination, or radiographs do not support the surgery performed The surgery performed is not indicated
Technical Skill	Pre-operative planning is comprehensive and above the expected level Execution of the procedure is thorough and, above the expected level as evident from the examination, radiographs, or other studies	Pre-operative planning is at the expected level Execution of the procedure is at the expected level as evident from the examination, radiographs, or other studies	Pre-operative planning is insufficient Execution of the procedure is below the minimally expected level as evident from the examination, radiographs, or other studies	Pre-operative planning is unacceptable Unacceptable execution of the procedure as evident from the examination, radiographs, or other studies
Surgical Complications	Above expected measures to avoid complications Identification of complication(s) occurs promptly Complication(s) described are frequently expected for the procedure(s) Above expected level management of complication(s)	Expected measures to avoid complications Identification time of complication(s) is as would be expected Complication(s) described are generally expected for the procedure(s) Management of complication(s) is at the expected level	Less than minimally expected measures to avoid complications Identification time of complication(s) is significantly later than what would be expected Complication(s) described are unexpected, but minor, for the procedure(s) Management of complication(s) is below the minimally expected level	Unacceptable measures to avoid complications Identification of complication(s) is unacceptably late or complication(s) are overlooked Complication(s) described are unexpected and severe for the procedure(s) Unacceptable management of complication(s)
Outcomes	Records patient satisfaction with care above the expected level Objective measures of patient recovery at follow-up are above expected levels An attempt for continuity of care is above the expected level	Records patient satisfaction with care at the expected level Objective measures of patient recovery at follow-up are at expected levels An attempt for continuity of care is at the expected level	Records patient satisfaction with care below the minimally expected level Objective measures of patient recovery at follow-up are below minimally expected levels An attempt for continuity of care is below the minimally expected level	Records patient satisfaction with care at an unacceptable level or not documented Objective measures of patient recovery at follow-up are at unacceptable levels or not documented Unacceptable or no attempt to maintain continuity of care
Ethics and Professionalism	Safe, ethical, compassionate, confidential, and professional care above the expected level	Safe, ethical, compassionate, confidential, and professional care at the expected level	Safe, ethical, compassionate, confidential, and professional care below the minimally expected level	Unacceptable lack of safe, ethical, compassionate, confidential, or professional care
Applied Knowledge	The candidate has above the expected knowledge of best practices from evidence-based medicine regarding diagnostic methods, treatment alternatives, and expected outcomes	The candidate has the expected knowledge of best practices from evidence-based medicine regarding diagnostic methods, treatment alternatives, and expected outcomes	The candidate has below the minimally expected knowledge of best practices from evidence-based medicine regarding diagnostic methods, treatment alternatives, or expected outcomes	The candidate has an unacceptable lack of knowledge of best practices from evidence-based medicine regarding diagnostic methods, treatment alternatives, or expected outcomes

