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### ABOS MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION (MOC) PROCESS SURVEY

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**612 AAOS FELLOWS RESPONDED TO THE SURVEY**

**14 STATES REPRESENTED IN THE SURVEY RESULTS**

#### Survey Results:

The six core areas most valuable in meeting the goals of demonstrating life-long learning and clinical competency were:

1. Continuing Medical Education – Category 1 Hours – 62.28%
2. Self-Assessment Examination Hours – 14.21%
3. Written or Oral Exam Every 10 Years – 8.46%
4. Querying of Colleagues – 8.11%
5. Case Collection – 5.05%
6. Querying of Hospital Administration – 1.89%

The six core areas most onerous in meeting the goals of demonstrating life-long learning and clinical competency were:

1. Written or Oral Exam Every 10 Years – 50.00%
2. Case Collection – 30.20%
3. Continuing Medical Education – Category 1 Hours – 10.15%
4. Querying of Hospital Administration – 4.26%
5. Self-Assessment Examination Hours – 3.31%
6. Querying of Colleagues – 2.08%

Only 3.61% of respondents agree that the written exam is sufficiently specialty specific. 49.59% strongly disagree or disagree with this statement.

Only 3.77% of respondents agree that the written exam is clinically relevant. 44.92% strongly disagree or disagree with this statement.



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37.33% of respondents agree or strongly agree that the oral exam is more representative of their clinical practice than the written exam. 23.69% disagree or strongly disagree with this statement.

86.53% of respondents agree or strongly agree that they would support the option of increased CME and Self Assessment requirements in lieu of the Written or Oral Pathway.

### **Addendum A – Comments from Respondents.**

Please view [Attachment A](#) for specific comments from Survey Respondents

### **Demographic of Respondents:**

#### **Practice Type**

Solo/Group Practice	39.87%
Large Private Practice	29.74%
Academic	18.63%
Foundation Employed	2.61%
Non-Operative Surgeons	0.65%
Military	0.49%
Other:	7.84%

**Required to take the MOC:** 88.84%

### **States represented in the Survey:**

California	New Jersey
Connecticut	North Carolina
Delaware	Ohio
Iowa	Pennsylvania
Massachusetts	Rhode Island
Minnesota	Texas
Montana	West Virginia

Survey Results as of: August 11, 2016



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