

# Welcome

## ABO Scenario-Based Clinical Examination



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# Disclaimer:


This PowerPoint includes basic information about the Examination Orientation. Additional details may be given in the live orientation which will take place directly before each of the scheduled examinations.

# Examination Orientation

- Examinees will visit six different exam rooms
- A total of 20 minutes is dedicated to each exam room
  - 18 minutes per exam with a 2 minute transition period
  - When two minutes are remaining in each room, a tone will sound
- Total exam time of two hours
- Chairs located outside each exam room
- Always be stationed in the chair outside of your upcoming exam room

# Sample Name Badge

Front

<b>Last Name</b>	
<b>First Name</b>	
	PID #12345
	Room #3
	Session <b>TA1</b>

Back

Exam Schedule (PID: 12345 Session: TA1)	
Time	Room
7:30AM - 7:50AM	3
7:50AM - 8:10AM	4
8:10AM - 8:30AM	5
8:30AM - 8:50AM	6
8:50AM - 9:10AM	1
9:10AM - 9:30AM	2

How will you know when to  
move to the next room?

# Examination Orientation

- Synchronized countdown clocks located in each exam room
- Tone will sound signifying the beginning of the first examination (0:00)
- Tone will sound giving a two minute warning (16:00)
- Tone will sound signifying the conclusion of the exam session (18:00)
- Additional tone (two minutes later) signifying the Start of next exam session
- This process will continue until you have visited all six rooms assigned on the back of your name badge

# Examination Orientation

- If you complete an exam session before tone is sounded, quietly proceed to chair in front of your next scheduled exam room
- If you are still in an exam session when you hear the tone, you must conclude the exam session and move on to the chair in front of your next scheduled exam room
- Do not enter the next exam room until the tone has sounded to begin the next exam

# Examination Orientation

- Examiners will tell you the number of questions within each exam session
- If you choose to leave a room, the exam time will continue
- All scenario questions need to be covered in the allotted 18 minute time period
- Once an examinee leaves an exam room, they may not return



# Examination Orientation

- Staff members will be stationed in the hallways to answer questions and assist with the transition periods
- **Speaking to other examinees between scenario sessions in the hallway and/or restroom is strictly prohibited**

***Violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action, including denial or revocation of eligibility or certification***

# What happens inside the exam room?

# Examination Orientation

- Each room will have 2-3 examiners
- Each examinee will be in contact with 12-18 different examiners
- Each examiner has gone through a Conflict of Interest exercise
  - Determined if there is a true conflict that would prevent them from conducting a fair, unbiased examination
  - Amount of exposure does not allow all connections to be avoided

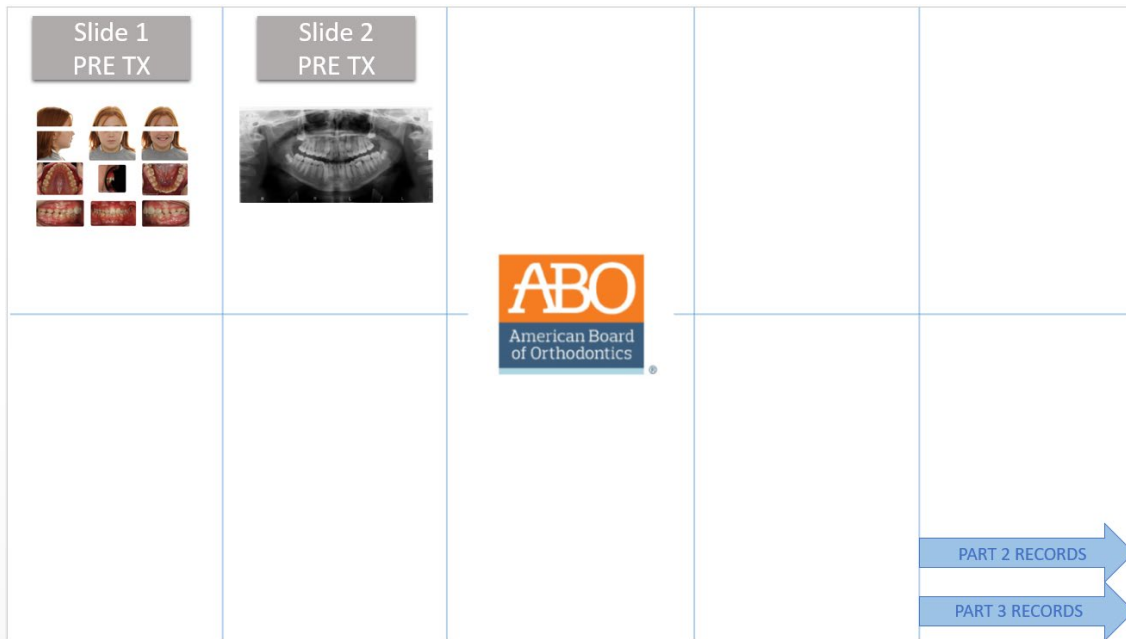
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- If examinee feels as though there is a true conflict of interest with an examiner they are paired with it is the responsibility of the examinee to speak up at time of introduction
- Replacement examiners are available in the unlikely event that this is needed
- It is important to speak up at this time, as this will not be considered grounds for appeal after an examination if no one is alerted of the conflict during the examination

# Examination Orientation

- You will be presented with patient case records
  - Physical records
  - Electronic records (PowerPoint)
    - Examiners will have pulled up on screen
  - Examinee will continue to have access to the records throughout the exam
  - Some rooms may have multiple sets of patient records
    - Examinees may go back to previous records, but may not move forward until prompted

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- Opening scenario and questions will be presented by examiners
- Examinees will have access to written questions
- Once all questions have been visited, examinees may ask to revisit previous questions if time permits
- Pencil and paper will be available for note taking
  - All notes must be left in the exam room at the end of the exam session
- Constant video and audio review
  - Ensure process is a fair and equal experience across all rooms

# Examination Orientation

- Try to relax and listen carefully
- Be thorough with answers and do not skip to obvious conclusion
- Examiners have gone through an extensive training process
  - Examiners will not clarify or interpret questions
  - Examiners remain impartial and will not indicate if answers are correct/ incorrect
    - Do not take lack of examiner response personally



What happens  
after the exam?

# Examination Orientation

- Contact information updated in ABO Account
- Exam results will be sent to you via email within a two month period
  - If you have been using a school email address and have now completed your program, update to a personal email
- Official mailed results letters within a three month period
  - Mailing address in your account is where your results letter will be mailed
- A post-exam survey will be emailed to you after the examination
  - We appreciate your honest feedback

# Examination Orientation

The ABO will only consider a request to review the Clinical Examination process:

- If received within 72 hours from the time the examinee completes the examination
- On the basis of an alleged irregularity in administering or conducting an examination.
  - Alleged process irregularities are considered only when serious enough to affect materially the examinee's performance on an examination.
  - Requests to review an examination based on content will not be considered.

A Request for Examination Process Review must be in writing, directed to the ABO's Executive Director.

The full Examination Process Review Policy and Procedures may be viewed on the ABO website: [Click Here](#)

# Questions?



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