

Credentialing Coordinating Committee Policy for Election of Members

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The Credentialing Coordinating Committee (CCC) was constituted by the ABS Council, following the Society bylaws in June of 2000. According to ABS policy, "A Coordinating Committee consisting of five (5) voting members, all of whom are credentialed by the ABS as Balint leaders, will be elected by the ABS Council. The Committee will also have as an ex officio, nonvoting member the President of the ABS. This Committee will nominate candidates for certification to the Council of the ABS, based on their review of a candidate's credentials and guided by the Certification Procedures for Balint Seminar Leaders. The Committee will also administer the supervision process."

The elected members of the Committee are nominated and elected as follows.

(1) The Coordinator of Intensives is an ex officio voting member and is nominated and elected according to the policy set forth for that position elsewhere.

(2) A second member will be nominated by all credentialed leaders and elected by the ABS Council as Member at Large and may serve a maximum of three (2) year terms. To qualify for this position the nominee will have been credentialed by the ABS as a Balint group leader

(3,4,5) A third Member will be nominated by all credentialed leaders and elected by the ABS Council as Chair Elect. In order to become Chair Elect one must be certified by the ABS as an approved supervisor. That member will serve as a member for (2) years, then as Coordinator of Supervision for (2) years, and finally as Chair of the Committee for (2) years.

Thus at any one time the committee will be comprised of a Member at Large, The Chair Elect, the Coordinator of Intensives (in ex officio voting capacity), the Coordinator of Supervision, the Chair, and the President of the ABS (In ex officio nonvoting capacity). The Chair of the Committee will also serve as an ex officio nonvoting member of the ABS Council, if not elected to Council in his/her own right.

Each year in which a Member at Large term expires, the Chair of the committee shall alert the ABS President Elect. The President Elect solicits nominations including self-nominations, for the vacant position. It is up to the President Elect to confirm that nominated people are willing to serve and to determine if the Member at Large wishes to be nominated to serve a second or third 2 year term. A memo is then sent to the Council asking them to vote to elect the new members. Election is by simple majority. If there is a tie, there is a run-off election until each spot is filled.

When the Chair Elect is about to advance to the position of Coordinator of Supervision (after two years), the Chair of the Committee alerts the ABS President Elect. The President Elect solicits nominations, including self-nominations, for the soon to be vacant position of Chair Elect. At the end of that year the Chair Elect moves to become Coordinator of Supervision and the

Coordinator of Supervision moves to become Chair of the CCC. It is up to the President Elect to confirm that nominated people are willing to serve. A memo is then sent to the Council asking them to vote to elect the new member. Election is by simple majority. If there is a tie, there is a run-off election until each spot is filled.

Term limits are as follows. There will be a maximum of six years that one can serve on the committee with the following exceptions. After their first term the Member at Large can decide to run for the Chair Elect position if they meet the requisite qualifications. That person will then have a maximum of eight years on the committee. The time the President of the ABS serves on the committee will not count towards the maximum of six years. The time the Coordinator of Intensives serves on the committee will be determined by the length of time they have that office and will not count towards the maximum of six years.