

Cosmetic Dermatologic Surgery Fellowship Accreditation Program

Program Application Overview



Purpose of Accreditation



The purpose of the program is to accredit Cosmetic Dermatologic Surgery Fellowship Programs designed to meet standards of quality and to promote practices that provide Fellows with the proper training and expertise to perform cosmetic dermatologic surgery procedures. To comply with the required training and experience, all Fellowship Training Programs must meet these specified guidelines. To ensure programs meet these requirements, a site review of all new programs will be conducted and cyclical visits made thereafter.

Complete program standards can be found at <http://www.asds.net/cosmetic-accreditation/>



Program Goals

- 1) To highlight and recognize Fellowship Programs that provide comprehensive training in cosmetic dermatologic surgery by providing an efficient process for accreditation.
- 2) To promote academic and clinical excellence among dermatologists in cosmetic dermatology
- 3) To establish guidelines for Fellowship programs wishing to promote such excellence.
- 4) To position the ASDS as the leading society and visionary force in cosmetic dermatologic surgery.

Overview

This overview of Cosmetic Dermatologic Surgery Fellowship Accreditation Program (CDSFAP) is intended to serve as a resource for Fellowship programs seeking to attain accreditation.





Key Components of the Fellowship

- One Calendar Year of training in the facility of the Fellowship Director (additional sites must be approved)
- The Fellows must participate (perform/assist) in 300 cases in at least 5 out of 8 procedure categories of cosmetic dermatologic surgery cases.
- The Fellows must observe 1,000 cases in at least 5 out of 8 procedure categories of cosmetic dermatologic surgery cases.
- The Fellow must receive didactic and clinical instruction in all areas of the curriculum.
- The Fellow must have exposure to experiences designed to augment training (teaching residents, attending and presenting at conferences, writing and reviewing clinical manuscripts)



Procedures Categories

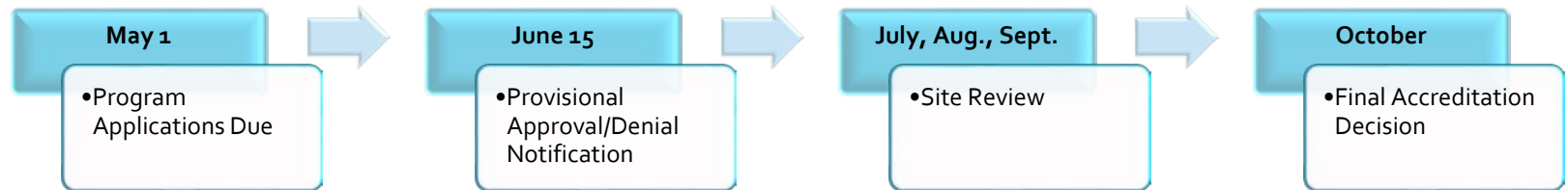
- 1) Wrinkles and Folds (Fat Transfer, Neuromodulators, Soft Tissue Fillers)
- 2) Rejuvenation (Microdermabrasion, Non-ablative Laser and Light-based Treatments, Non-ablative Fractional Resurfacing, Chemical Peels – Light, PRP, Microneedling)
- 3) Resurfacing (Chemical Peels – Medium to Deep, Ablative Laser Resurfacing, Dermabrasion, Fractional Laser Treatments)
- 4) Veins (Ambulatory Phlebectomy, Laser Varicose Vein Surgery, Pulsed-light Therapy, Sclerotherapy)
- 5) Body Contouring (Cryolipolysis, Laser Lipolysis, Ultrasound/Radiofrequency Fat Removal, Tumescant Liposuction, Ultrasound/Radiofrequency Tissue Tightening, Other Energy-based or Chemical Modalities)
- 6) Lifting (Brow Lift, Blepharoplasty, Facelift, Other Lifting Procedures)
- 7) Hair Treatments (Hair Transplantation, Hair Removal)
- 8) Scar Revision (Fractional/Vascular Laser, Keloid Excision, Acne Scar Excision, Z-plasty, Subcision, TCA/CROSS, Injection Treatment)



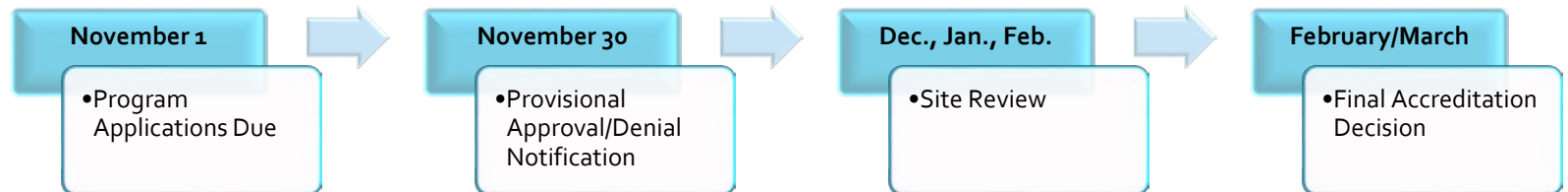
Application Process

Application deadlines:

- **May 1** for the same academic year approval



- **November 1** for early approval for upcoming academic year (IF APPROVED)



All qualifying applications are reviewed by the ASDS Accreditation Work Group. After the work group reviews initial applications and site reviewer reports, final determination of accreditation status is made. All programs are notified in writing.

Program Qualifications

Each program must have at least two faculty members to support the educational needs of one Fellow. Programs seeking to train multiple Fellows are required to increase faculty.

At least 1,000 cases per year must be documented to support one Fellow. The case requirements for programs increase if training multiple Fellows.

Program Directors, Associate Directors, and Surgical Faculty must meet specific criteria:

- Program Directors must be American Board of Dermatology certified dermatologists with more than five years of experience.
- Associate Directors and Surgical Faculty must be certified by an ABMS “Core Four” specialty board and have at least three years of cosmetic dermatologic surgery experience and out of training. (Note: only 25% of the cases necessary to satisfy the program requirements may be performed by non-dermatologists, “Core Four” certified physician)



Program Application Documents



- Director/program application, Director's CV, case log, two letters of support of your program from ASDS members not affiliated with the program.
- Associate Director or Surgical Faculty application(s), CV and Case Log for each application.
- Verification of Malpractice Insurance Coverage for Program Director, Faculty, and Fellow(s).
- Application Fee (Initial accreditation fee is \$2,750 for ASDS Members and \$3,750 for Non-Members). There is an additional fee for multiple training locations.



Site Review

Program responsibilities include:

- Determine possible dates for the site review and develop site review schedule.
- Complete site survey questions.
- Develop annual training and evaluation plan for Fellows.
- Prepare 15 de-identified patient records representing the scope of procedures performed by director/faculty.
- Schedule 3 procedures from the curriculum to be performed during the Site Review.

Documents available for review:

- Copy of the fellowship program policies and procedures manual.
- Copies of medical licenses for all faculty and Fellow(s).
- Copies of certificates of board certification for all faculty.
- Documentation of residency completion and location.
- Documentation for certification in Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS).
- Copies of malpractice insurance policy for faculty and Fellow(s).
- Documentation confirming admitting privileges or written transfer agreements.
- Documentation of last year of cases sorted by procedure by faculty.



Accreditation Handbook

Complete program standards can be found at <http://www.asds.net/cosmetic-accreditation/>.

Also included are:

- Curriculum
- Core Competencies
- Bibliography



We thank you for your interest in attaining accreditation recognition for your fellowship program!

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