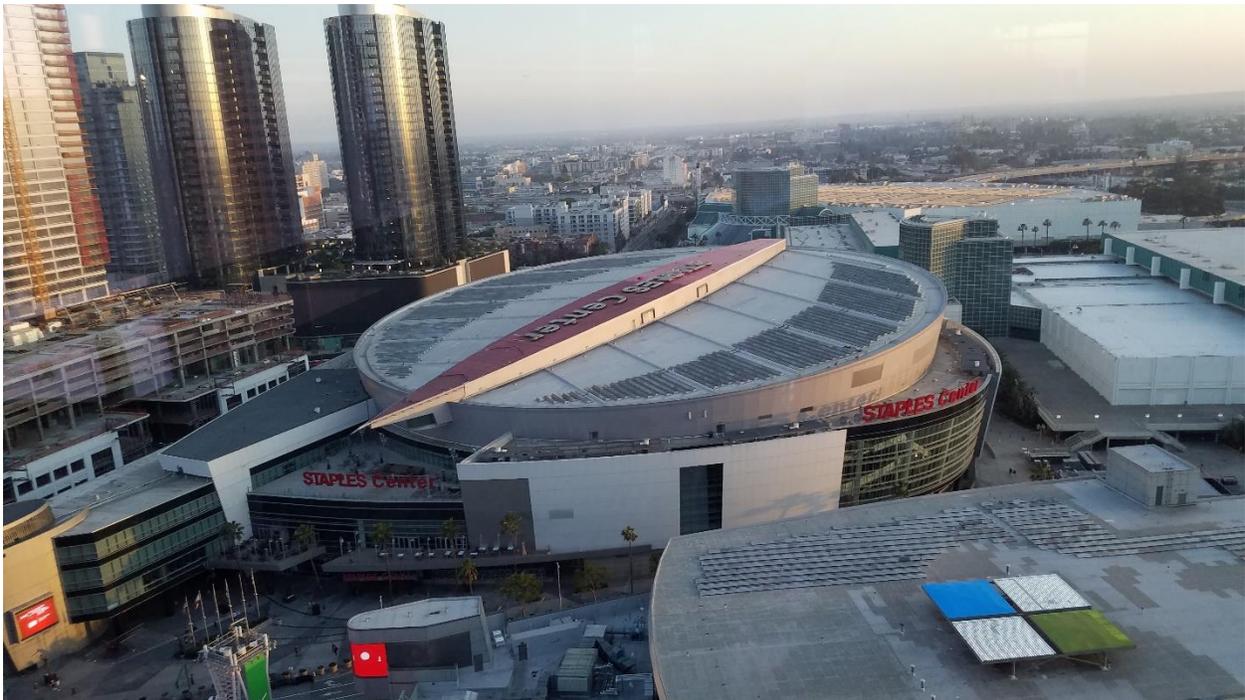




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The AAO House of Delegates met in May in Los Angeles, California. A summary of actions taken can be found [here](#).

2019 PCSO/RMSO ANNUAL MEETING

The 2019 PCSO/RMSO annual meeting will be here before you know it. Join your colleagues October 3-5 for state-of-the-art continuing education opportunities in beautiful Honolulu, Hawaii. Early registration deadline is **July 13**. See Page 4 for more information.

TRUSTEE'S MESSAGE

I apologize for missing our meeting last fall. Some mystery ailment had me in the hospital for a couple of days at that time. I'm happy to report I recovered and there are no long-lasting health issues. I found out I'm a lousy patient and couldn't wait to get out of there and back home. I think there are a bunch of nurses at Logan Regional Hospital the feel the same way...

Sorry to have missed the Distinguished Service award presentation to my good friend Dr. Michael Foy. I appreciate all the years he served on COGA, the RMSO delegation and as the AAO Speaker of the House. He has also been a mentor to me, and confidant for many years. He is however a terrible fisherman, something I hope to help him remedy in the future. I hope you all feel appreciated for the work you do on behalf of the AAO and the profession. We really are better as a group than individuals, and every day I'm grateful for the efforts of our volunteer leaders that serve on councils, committees and in component and constituent leadership positions.

I hope you all are planning on attending our combined PCSO/RMSO meeting October 3-6th in Hawaii. The program looks incredible and Hawaii is always a great venue. Come early and stay late and enjoy the tropical weather before the RMSO winter sets in for most of us with all that cold and snow.

Your AAO has been busy looking out for the best interests of Orthodontic patients. As you are aware, efforts have been made to safeguard the health and safety of patients by the AAO legal department. I would refer you to the AAO website for the most current updates on the success of our efforts, both in the direct to consumer aligner and specialty recognition arenas. This year's House of Delegates voted to continue to fund the Component Legal support fund at the same level as in the past. Please be aware that as a citizen you have the right to ask your state dental boards and state attorney generals to look into possible dental practice act violations and what you perceive to be dangers to the health and safety of patients in your area. Please let the AAO legal department know of any issues in your state that they may be able to assist you with as changes are proposed to laws and regulations where you practice.

Changes are coming as we make changes to our RMSO executive director. Sherry has done a great job as the RMSO ED. A friend to all and she has kept us in line and on the right path. AAO Services has gotten out of the association management business and for that reason only have we needed to make a change. Will keep you posted as the RMSO board makes those decisions in the near future.

We will have some council positions coming open in the next year as some of our leaders are term limited. Please let me know if you're interested in serving. I think those are currently on a council will tell you it is a great experience.

See you all in Hawaii,

Myron

CONGRATULATIONS to Dr. David G. Sabott, who was recently installed as Secretary/Treasurer of the American Board of Orthodontics

The American Board of Orthodontics (ABO) installed **David G. Sabott, D.D.S., M.S.**, of Erie Colorado, as 2019-2020 secretary/treasurer. The installation ceremony was held at the ABO President's Dinner on May 7 during the 2019 Annual Session of the American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) in Los Angeles, California. The other 2019-2020 officers of the ABO are **Nicholas D. Barone, D.D.S., M.S.**, of Lincoln, R.I., president; **Valmy V. Kulbersh, D.D.S., M.S.**, of Bloomfield Hills, Mich., president-elect; and **Larry P. Tadlock, D.D.S., M.S.**, of Colleyville, Texas, immediate past president.

The ABO is the only orthodontic specialty board recognized by the American Dental Association and in affiliation with the AAO. Board certification is a process by which an individual orthodontist is voluntarily examined by his/her peers regarding orthodontic knowledge and clinical skills. The successful completion of the ABO examination process is a demonstration to the dental profession and the general public of the orthodontist's pursuit of continued proficiency and excellence in orthodontics.

Each ABO director represents one of the eight constituent organizations of the AAO and serves an eight-year term, which culminates in the position of the president. The ABO directors are responsible for establishing policy with regard to the board certification of specialists in orthodontics. During his tenure as an ABO director, Dr. Sabott has represented the Rocky Mountain Society of Orthodontists (RMSO). As secretary/treasurer, Dr. Sabott is a member of the Executive, Certification and Clinical Examination Committees.

Dr. Sabott practices orthodontics in Brighton, Colorado, and is a past president of the Rocky Mountain Society of Orthodontists, the Angle Southwest Component of the Edward H. Angle Society, the Colorado Orthodontic Society, and the Boulder County Dental Society. He is a member of the AAO and the ADA, and served on the AAO Council on Insurance and the AAO Council on Library Resources. Dr. Sabott is also a regent of the AAO Foundation. In 2009, Dr. Sabott received the Distinguished Service Award from the Rocky Mountain Society of Orthodontists.

Dr. Sabott earned his dental degree from Creighton University in 1973 and his master's degree in biological materials from Northwestern University in 1975. Dr. Sabott is dual trained in both pediatric dentistry and orthodontics. He earned his orthodontic certificate from Northwestern University in 1997. He has been certified by the ABO since 1998 and serves as an examiner for the ABO Clinical Examination.

About the ABO

The ABO is the global leader in orthodontic board certification and sets the standards of care for excellence in orthodontics and dentofacial orthopedics. The ABO's mission is to elevate the quality of orthodontic care for the public by promoting excellence through certification, education and professional collaboration.

Founded in 1929, the ABO was the first specialty board in dentistry. It is the only orthodontic specialty board recognized by the American Dental Association and in affiliation with the American Association of Orthodontists.

The certificate issued by the ABO signifies a certification of attainment. It does not confer any legal qualification, privilege or license to practice orthodontics. It is not a professional or academic degree. In essence, board certification is a process by which an individual orthodontist is voluntarily examined by his/her peers as to orthodontic knowledge and clinical skills. The passage of the examination process is a demonstration to the dental profession and the general public of the orthodontist's pursuit of continued proficiency and excellence in orthodontics.

To learn more about the ABO, visit the website www.AmericanBoardOrtho.com. The ABO's office and exam center are located in St. Louis, Missouri.



Join us in October for up to 13.5 continuing education credits, networking opportunities with colleagues, exhibitor specials, and much more. The meeting features renowned speakers from across the orthodontic world, and lectures include a wide variety of topics for doctors and clinical and administrative team members.

Click [here](#) to register. For more information, visit the [PCSO website](#).