

FELLOWSHIP CERTIFICATION IN THE CLINICAL MEDICAL SPECIALTY OF AESTHETIC MEDICINE

The Fellowship Certification in Aesthetic Medicine is a certification program of the American Academy of Anti-Aging Medicine. The Fellowship Certification in Aesthetic Medicine is issued to individuals with MD, DO, and MBBS degrees. The American Academy of Anti-Aging Medicine represents over 12,500 physicians from 75 nations in the clinical specialty of anti-aging and aesthetic medicine.

The Fellowship Certification in Aesthetic Medicine was founded in 2007 as a professional physician certification and review board for individuals with MD (Doctor of Medicine), DO (Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine), or MBBS (Bachelor of Medicine/ Bachelor of Science) degrees. The American Academy of Anti-Aging Medicine offers these medical professionals with recognition of their specialty knowledge and clinical practice of aesthetic medicine. The long-term objective of the Fellowship Certification in Aesthetic Medicine is to achieve formal sub-specialty recognition and a new status for aesthetic medicine and for those practicing as qualifies clinicians.

Overview of the Certification Process

The Fellowship Certification in Aesthetic Medicine consists of two parts: Part I (Aesthetic Anti-Aging Fellowship) and Part II (Written Examination).

Part I: Aesthetic Anti-Aging Fellowship

The Aesthetic Anti-Aging Fellowship is a six-part series consisting of a three-module didactic lecture series, three module hands-on clinical training series, and case study submissions in aesthetic procedures.

Part II: Written Examination

The written examination is a three-hour examination consisting of 150 multiple choice, true/false, and matching questions. The written examination will assess proficiencies in several areas of aesthetic medicine, with a predominant focus on practical knowledge and skills in common aesthetic and cosmetic procedures and modalities, as well as sound textbook knowledge of anatomy and physiology. Additionally, there will be 25 essay questions involving the evaluation of photographs and the development of an aesthetic treatment plan in order to determine the medical professionals in utilizing aesthetic treatments in their practices. Presently, the aesthetic certification exam is only administered at the American Academy of Anti-Aging Medicine's International Congress on Anti-Aging held in the United States.

Criteria for Fellowship Certification in Aesthetic Medicine

The following criteria must be completed before candidates can sit for the exam:

- Membership in the American Academy of Anti-Aging Medicine (A4M)
- Attendance at two or more consecutive A4M-approved/sponsored conferences
- An MD, DO, or MBBS degree from an accredited medical school
- An active medical license in the state, province, or nation the applicant resides
- Curriculum vitae (resume) demonstrating a minimum of 5 years of clinical practice experience (residency training applicable)

- No significant disciplinary actions against the applicant, or a written appeal including full disclosure of all disciplinary actions accompanied by a request for a waiver of this requirement
- Completion of the Aesthetic Anti-Aging Fellowship modules
- Payment of written examination fee

Written Exam Details

Duration of Exam: 3 hours

Official Language of Exam: English

Exam Content:

- Botulinum Toxin 16%
- Dermal Fillers 17%
- Lasers and Light 23%
- Chemical Peels 10%
- Venous Treatments 13%
- Body Contouring 8%
- Cosmeceutical Additives 13%

Frequently Asked Questions

- *What is the value of being Fellowship Certified in Aesthetic Medicine?*

It is a significant professional landmark. Aesthetic Fellowship Certification denotes peer recognition in one of the fastest-growing medical specialties. Aesthetic Fellowship Certified Physicians can readily establish their practices as leading facilities for aesthetic medicine by receiving new patient referrals from patients seeking qualified anti-aging and aesthetic doctors via A4M and the World Health Network (www.worldhealth.net). Most importantly, the growing number of Aesthetic Fellowship Certified Physicians will help A4M to achieve formal sub-specialty recognition and a new status for aesthetic medicine and for those practicing it as qualified clinicians.

- *How should I prepare for the exam?*

The best way to prepare for the exam is to review the study materials provided in the Aesthetic Written Examination study materials packet that is supplied with the examination registration, as well as participate in the review webinars that are provided prior to the exam.

- *Do I have to complete all the requirements before taking the exam?*

Yes, all requirements must be completed before sitting for the exam.

- *I took the exam. When will I know the results?*

Grading of the Aesthetic Fellowship Certification Exam is completed within 4 to 6 weeks of the date of the examination. The Board Coordinator will notify each candidate of their score.