CHEATING

The ABOHNS and all parties participating in the ABOHNS examinations take violations of the rules prohibiting copying of questions very seriously. Flouting the rules undermines the very purpose of ABOHNS examinations in measuring and evaluating knowledge and skill.

Candidates have a contractual and ethical obligation to maintain the confidentiality of the examination. The Board is empowered to: take action against any candidate or diplomate who breaks the rules; to invalidate test results; revoke a certificate or make ineligible for subsequent exam administrations for a length of time as determined by the ABOHNS.

Programs have a duty to protect the integrity of the certification examination. In the event that the Board concludes that a program has encouraged, permitted, or participated in the maintenance of recalled or otherwise stolen examination questions, the Board reserves its right to exclude all of its residents from taking future examinations, including training exams or certifying exams.