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Dr. Byron M. Wade, Chief of Dental Services at the Dayton Veteran Affairs Medical Center (VAMC) Named American Board of Periodontology (ABP) Examiner

Dr. Byron M. Wade, Chief of Dental Services at the Dayton VAMC, is selected to serve as one of thirty American Board of Periodontology (ABP) Examiners. The examinations will take place in Dallas, Texas from May 10 – May 16, 2013. Dr. Wade will be teamed up with another examiner to conduct the oral examination portion of the ABP certification process. In addition to being an ABP examiner, Dr. Wade was recently recognized for being Board Certified for 25 years!

Every year, approximately 200 ABP board eligible candidates partake in both comprehensive and oral examinations in hopes to qualify as a Diplomate of the ABP. On average, the examination has an 83% pass rate. The ABP's goal is to elevate the quality of periodontal care nationally through the examination, certification, and recertification of periodontists. For a candidate to be awarded board certification they must complete the following:

- Certification as a dentist, including basic college education and completion of dental school to earn the D.D.S. or D.M.D. degree
- Certification as a periodontist after successful completion of an educational program in Periodontology, which is accredited by Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association
- Comprehensive qualifying and oral examination covering all phases of periodontal disease and its treatment, including dental implants

Thanks to staff members like Dr. Byron M. Wade, the Dayton VAMC continues to improve their presence not only locally, but nationally, in efforts to always strive for excellence in their profession. Please Join the Dayton VAMC in congratulating Dr. Byron M. Wade on being named an ABP Examiner.