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June Highlights

Editor's Note

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Editor

Greetings,

As we welcome June, the American Board of Podiatric Medicine is proud to highlight the continued growth, leadership, and impact of our profession.

We would like to congratulate the newest class of residents on this year's residency match results and look forward to their future contributions to the profession.

Continuing education remains central to ABPM's mission, and we are pleased to feature an upcoming free webinar on Monday, June 8th on Venous Insufficiency by Dr. Michael Cornwell. Don't miss your chance to earn 1 CME.

In addition, we are proud to spotlight Dr. Imaze Davis, whose leadership and dedication exemplify excellence in podiatric medicine. We appreciate the opportunity to share her story and celebrate the contributions she continues to make within our profession and community.

Thank you for your continued commitment to advancing podiatric medicine and supporting the mission of ABPM. We hope you enjoy this month's newsletter.

Sincerely,
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Imaze Marian Davis, DPM, MBA, DABPM (CAQ Surgery), CWSP, DABMSP, FACPM, FFPM RCPS (Glasg

Dr. Imaze Marian Davis is a board-certified podiatric surgeon, wound specialist, educator, mentor, and advocate committed to advancing podiatric medicine through leadership, service, and global collaboration. Born in Benin City, Nigeria, and educated in England and the United States, she brings a unique international perspective to healthcare, education, and professional outreach.

Dr. Davis earned dual undergraduate degrees from Kentucky State University before obtaining both her Doctor of Podiatric Medicine and MBA degrees from Barry University. During her time at Barry University, she served as class president for three years and became the first Black woman to hold that role in the program's history.

Today, Dr. Davis is the owner of Marian Davis DPM, PA in North Miami, Florida, where her practice focuses on foot and ankle surgery, diabetic limb salvage, wound care, minimally invasive surgery, and comprehensive podiatric medicine. She is quadruple board-certified and holds distinctions with the American Board of Podiatric Medicine, the American Board of Multiple Specialties in Podiatry, and as a Certified Wound Specialist Physician. She is also a Fellow of the American College of Podiatric Medicine and a Fellow of the Faculty of Podiatric Medicine of the Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons of Glasgow.

In addition to clinical practice, Dr. Davis has dedicated much of her career to organized medicine, education, and mentorship. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for ABPM and is the Sub-Chair of the ABPM Public Outreach Committee. She is also a member of the Communications Committee, contributes to educational and outreach initiatives, and serves as International Chair for ABPM, representing U.S. podiatry on a global level. Her passion for education extends to her role as a CPME Onsite Evaluator representing ABPM and as Adjunct Clinical Faculty at Barry University, where she mentors podiatric students and residents.

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Over the past 18 years, Dr. Davis has also helped shape and educate podiatric residents throughout Miami by participating in the clinical and surgical training of residents from multiple major hospital systems, including Jackson Health System, HSA Hospital, and HCA Healthcare affiliated programs. Her dedication to teaching and mentorship has remained a central part of her professional journey.

One of Dr. Davis's greatest passions is supporting the next generation of podiatric physicians. She is proud to be part of the initiative and sponsorship of the Dr. Clifford O'Connor Endowment Fund Scholarship, which supports senior graduating podiatric students at Barry University. Through mentorship, advocacy, scholarship initiatives, and leadership development, she remains committed to creating opportunities that strengthen the future of the profession.

Beyond podiatric medicine, Dr. Davis is actively involved in international charitable and humanitarian outreach. She supports initiatives focused on education, disability advocacy, and underserved communities through organizations including the Sir David Osunde Foundation for Persons with Disabilities, the Mary Joan Osunde Orphanage Home, and St. Sylvester Global Concept School, which serves children in rural communities. Her commitment to service reflects her belief that healthcare, education, and compassion are essential tools for transforming lives globally.

Dr. Davis lives in Miami, Florida, with her husband and six daughters. Inspired by a lifelong calling to serve others, she views podiatric medicine not simply as a profession, but as a mission dedicated to preserving mobility, improving lives, and keeping the world on its feet.

WHY ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE NEEDS US MORE THAN WE NEED IT

David George, DPM
Credentials and Communications Committee

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is one of the most exciting advancements of our times. It seems to be everywhere, designed to make life easier, faster and more efficient. But who really runs the show?

1. AI learns from data and the more data the better it can perform. This data does not come from nowhere. We collect, clean, and organize this information. We decide what is relevant and what is not. This process known as training is crucial. Without our input, AI would be lost in an ocean of information, unable to make sense of it all.

2. AI can generate art, music, write stories but this is based on patterns and data that it has learned from, but it lacks creativity and emotional depth. Humans can create emotions and imagination in ways AI can not. AI can mimic these styles but can not feel emotions behind them. Thus, human creativity is irreplaceable. painter can express feelings through vibrant colors and brush strokes. AI can mimic this but can not feel the emotion behind it. This is why human creativity is irreplaceable.

3. One of the most important traits that sets humans apart from AI is our ability to empathize. AI can assist to connect with others through shared experiences and emotions, but can not replace the human connection that fosters trust and understanding.

In summary AI is an incredible advancement but it is not a substitute for human intelligence, creativity or empathy. AI still needs humans to function effectively and together we can achieve great things. AI is here to support us, not the other way around. The future is bright and with AI we can make it brighter.

We are pleased to share this article to foster thoughtful consideration of evolving topics in healthcare. The content reflects the authors perspectives and is intended for informational purposes only; it does not represent.

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THE 2026 PODIATRIC RESIDENCY MATCH: A PROFESSION POSITIONED FOR GROWTH

Kiana Trent, DPM
Communications Chair

The 2026 podiatric residency match highlights both the strength and evolving landscape of podiatric medical education. Podiatric medicine remains committed to ensuring that graduates receive the postgraduate training necessary to provide high-quality foot and ankle care.

According to data from the AACPM from June 2026, 512 residency applicants were placed in residencies (100%). In addition, 9 prior applicants from 2025, 2 applicants from 2024 and 1 applicant from a prior class have been placed with 1 applicant from 2026 slated to be placed. In totality 512 (99.8%) of the 513 residency applicants have found residency positions.

This outcome reflects the continued success of podiatric medical schools, residency programs, and professional organizations in supporting students throughout the transition from medical school to residency training.

There was a total of 616 CPME approved positions as of March 20, 2026. Despite continued growth in residency training opportunities, the number of available podiatric residency positions exceeds the number of graduating students entering the match, leaving several positions unfilled. Strengthening recruitment efforts, increasing awareness of the profession and expanding the pipeline of qualified applicants are essential to ensuring the long-term sustainability and growth of podiatric medicine.

Podiatric medicine's role within healthcare continues to expand. Podiatric physicians are essential members of multidisciplinary healthcare teams and play a critical role in diabetic limb salvage, prevention of lower-extremity amputations, sports medicine, trauma care, reconstructive surgery, and management of chronic foot and ankle disorders. As the prevalence of diabetes, obesity, and age related mobility conditions increases, the demand for specialized foot and ankle care is expected to grow. The 2026 residency match serves as a reminder that podiatric medicine remains a dynamic and evolving profession.

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2026 Western Foot and Ankle Conference
Booth 1020
June 25, 2026 - June 28, 2026
Disneyland hotel & Convention Center, Anaheim, CA

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Foot and Ankle Conference

August

The 2026 National
August 6, 2026 - August 9, 2026
Garylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center, Nashville, TN

THE NATIONAL
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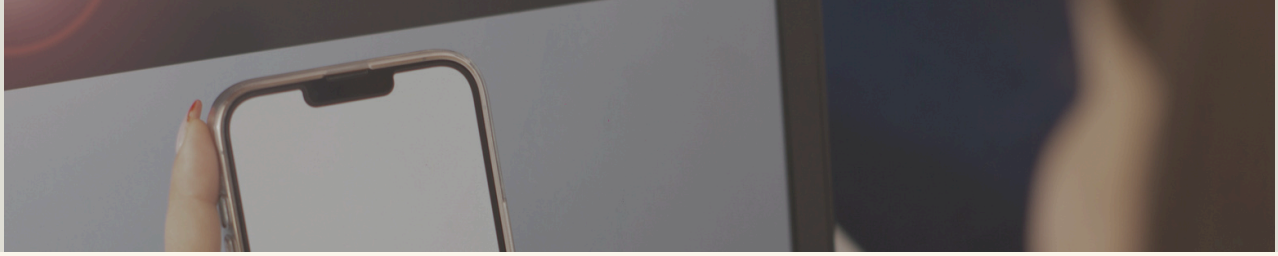

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