



Resolution

CONGRATULATING THE NATIONAL BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY ON THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDING

Whereas, in 1951, the Association of Regulatory Boards of Optometry (ARBO) together with the Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry (ASCO) established the National Board of Examiners in Optometry (NBEO) to develop a standardized examination pathway to state licensure; and

Whereas, the continued ASCO / NBEO collaboration has been demonstrated by the appointment of ASCO nominees to the NBEO Board of Directors who have served with distinction as officers as well as the service of faculty from ASCO member institutions as Subject Matter Experts on NBEO Examination Committees, Councils, and Task Forces; and

Whereas, with progressive leadership from its Board of Directors, Executive Directors, Psychometricians, and Staff Members, the NBEO has developed a suite of contemporary assessments, including the Part I ABS, Part II PAM/TMOD, Part III PEPS, ISE, LSPE, and ACME examinations; and

Whereas, following its move from Bethesda, MD, to Charlotte, NC, in 2005, the NBEO opened the National Center of Clinical Testing in Optometry (NCCTO) in 2011 to create a standardized environment for clinical skills assessment; and

Whereas, in 2025, the NBEO relocated to a state-of-the-art facility in south Charlotte which doubles the NBEO's clinical testing capacity and allows for future growth; now, therefore be it

Resolved, the Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry congratulates the National Board of Examiners in Optometry on the 75th anniversary of its founding; and, be it further

Resolved, ASCO looks forward to the NBEO's continued dedication to its mission of protecting the public by developing, administering, scoring, and reporting results of valid examinations that assess competency in optometry.