

# ABOMS Orientation Program

## *A Guide to Certification*



American Board of Oral  
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# Overview

- What is the Qualifying Examination?
- When can I apply for the QE?
- What is required and how can I prepare for the QE?
- What is the Oral Certifying Examination?
- What is required and how can I prepare for the OCE?
- Why become Board Certified?



# What is the Qualifying Examination?

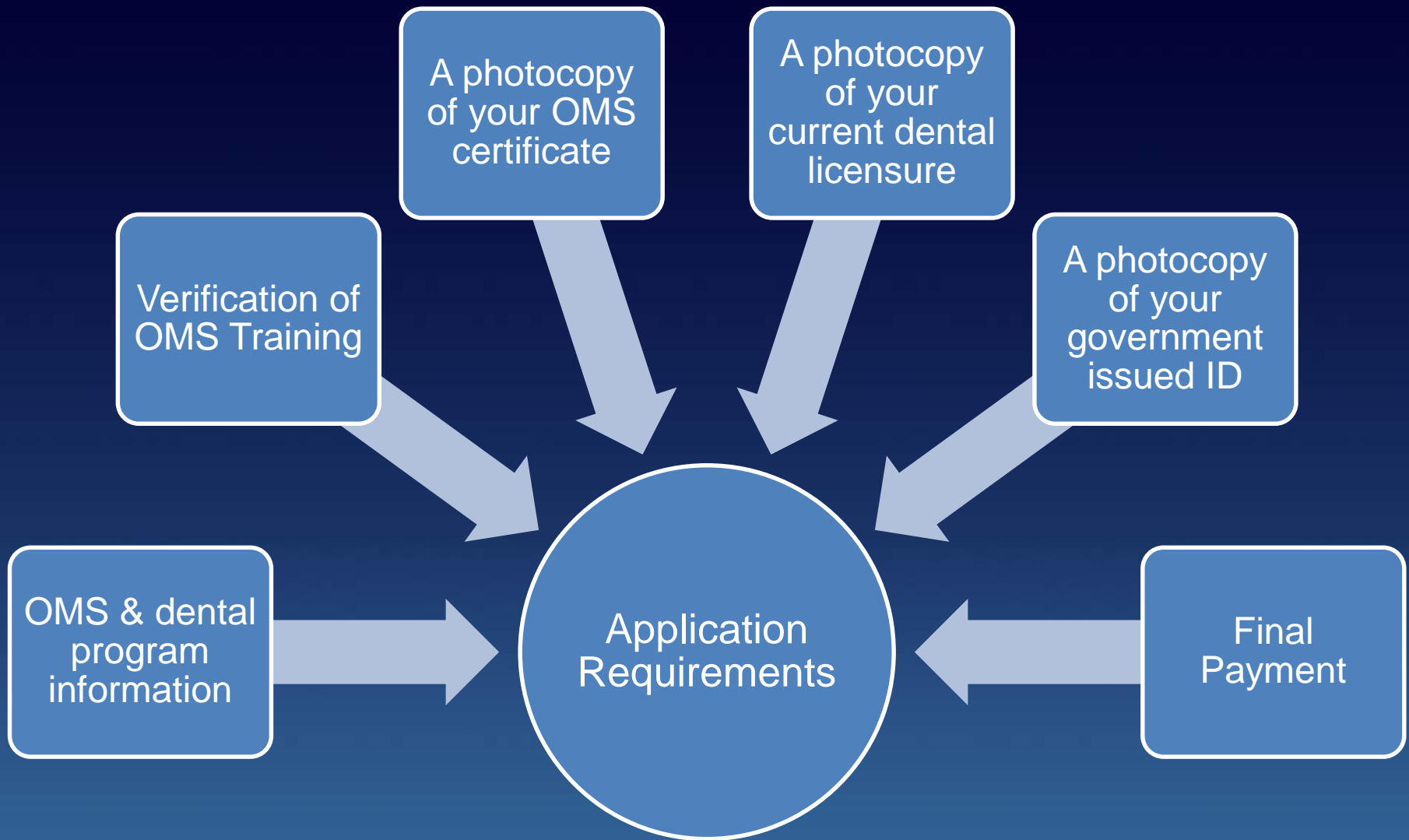
- Also known as the QE
- Computer-based examination at Pearson VUE centers
- 300 questions covering 10 domains
- First-step in becoming Board certified



# When can I apply?

- Completed training at an accredited OMS program or alternative pathway given by ABOMS
- Opens in June
- All submissions must be done electronically on the ABOMS website





# How to Prepare?

Domain	# of Questions
Medical Assessment & Management of the Surgical Patient	34
Anesthesia & Pain Control	37
Dentoalveolar	30
Trauma	34
Orthognathic/Cleft/OSA	30
Cosmetic	11
TMD/Facial Pain	12
Pathology	31
Reconstruction	21
Implants	30

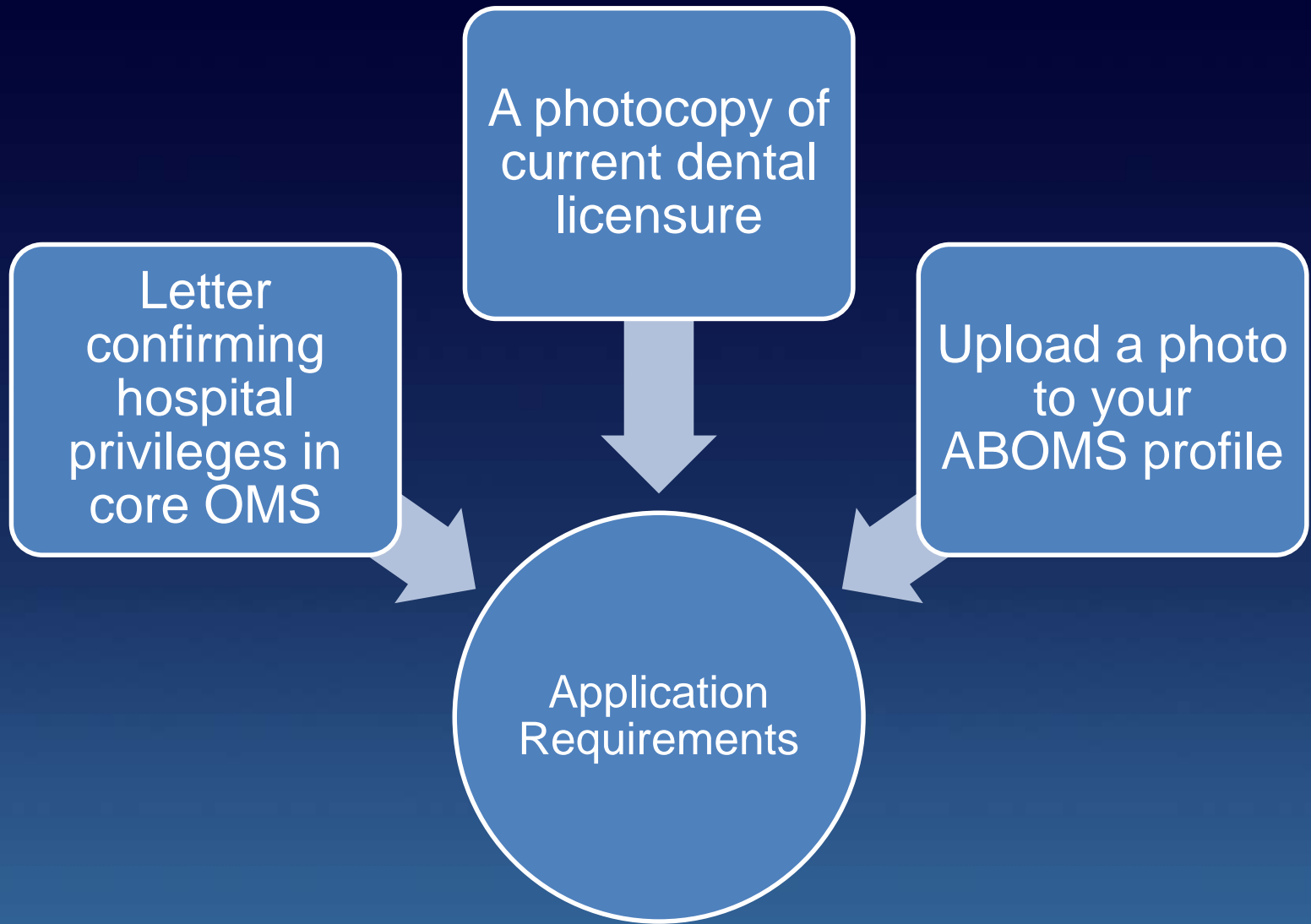


# What is the Oral Certifying Examination?

- Second-step in coming Board certified
- Apply once you've passed the QE
- Oral based examination
- Administered in February
- Three surgery sections consisting of four 12-minute cases







# How to prepare?

Surgery Section I	Surgery Section II	Surgery Section III
Orthognathic Surgery	Trauma	Adult Medical Assessment/Anesthesia
Infection	Implants	Pediatric Medical Assessment/Anesthesia
TMJ	Reconstruction	Emergency Management
Pathology	Dentoalveolar	Focused Short Topics



# Why become Board certified?

- Demonstrate achievement in essential OMS training.
- Maintain current standards and continue to learn through Certification Maintenance.
- Reach a benchmark in the specialty that sets you apart from other surgeons.
- Join a professional network of leading surgeons.



# Thank you!

## Questions



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