

ABCS Written Examination Content Outline

The following is a general content outline for the 2012 ABCS Written Examination scheduled on Sunday, October 21, 2012 at the ABOG Testing Facility in Dallas, TX.

<u>TOPIC</u>	<u>APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE OF WRITTEN TEST ITEMS</u>
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I. Breast	13-17%
A. Augmentation	
B. Reduction	
C. Mastopexy	
D. Gynecomastia	
E. Reconstruction	
F. Breast Cancer	
II. Body/Extremity	8-12%
A. Soft-tissue Augmentation	
B. Abdominoplasty	
C. Post-Massive Weight Loss Surgery	
D. Soft-tissue Excision	
E. Genitalia	
F. Phlebology	
III. Liposuction	8-12%
A. Instrumentation/Modalities	
B. Anesthesia	
C. Anatomic Considerations	
IV. Facial	28-32%
A. Soft Tissue	
B. Implants	
C. Liposuction	
D. Rhinoplasty	
E. Otoplasty	
F. Face and Neck Lift	
G. Forehead/Brow Lift	
H. Blepharoplasty	
I. Lips	
J. Midface	
K. Orthognathic	
L. Genioplasty	

- V. Dermatology** **13-17%**
- A. Resurfacing
 - B. Laser/Light/Radiofrequency Treatments
 - C. Scar Management
 - D. Soft Tissue
 - E. Implants
 - F. Hair Restoration
 - G. Liposuction
 - H. Phlebology
- VI. Patient Safety** **8-12%**
- A. Airway/Oxygenation/Ventilation
 - B. ACLS
 - C. Medical Emergencies
 - D. Surgical Emergencies
 - E. OR/Environment Safety
 - F. Ethics/Communication
 - G. Patient Evaluation/Perioperative Care
- VII. Surgical Principles** **8-12%**
- A. Anatomy
 - B. Physiology
 - C. Aesthetic Analysis
 - D. Pharmacology
 - E. Complications

Please note approximately 30% of the ABCS written items will be at the recall of facts/recognition level; 40% of the questions will be at the application level; and about 30% of the items will be at the problem solving/synthesis/evaluation level.

This is furnished as a study guide and identifies the topics with which you should be familiar. The written examination consists of one (1) session with a maximum time of four (4) hours.