

Certified Fitter of Therapeutic Shoes

Pre-Certification Training Course

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Course Overview

Identifying the qualifications to become a Certified Fitter of Therapeutic Shoes (CFts) through the American Board of Certification of Orthotics, Prosthetics and Pedorthics (ABCOP)

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What is a CFts?

An ABC-certified fitter of therapeutic shoes (CFts) is a health care professional who is specifically educated and trained to provide non-custom therapeutic shoes and non-custom multi-density inserts. This includes patient assessment, formulation of a treatment plan, implementation of the treatment plan, follow-up and practice management.



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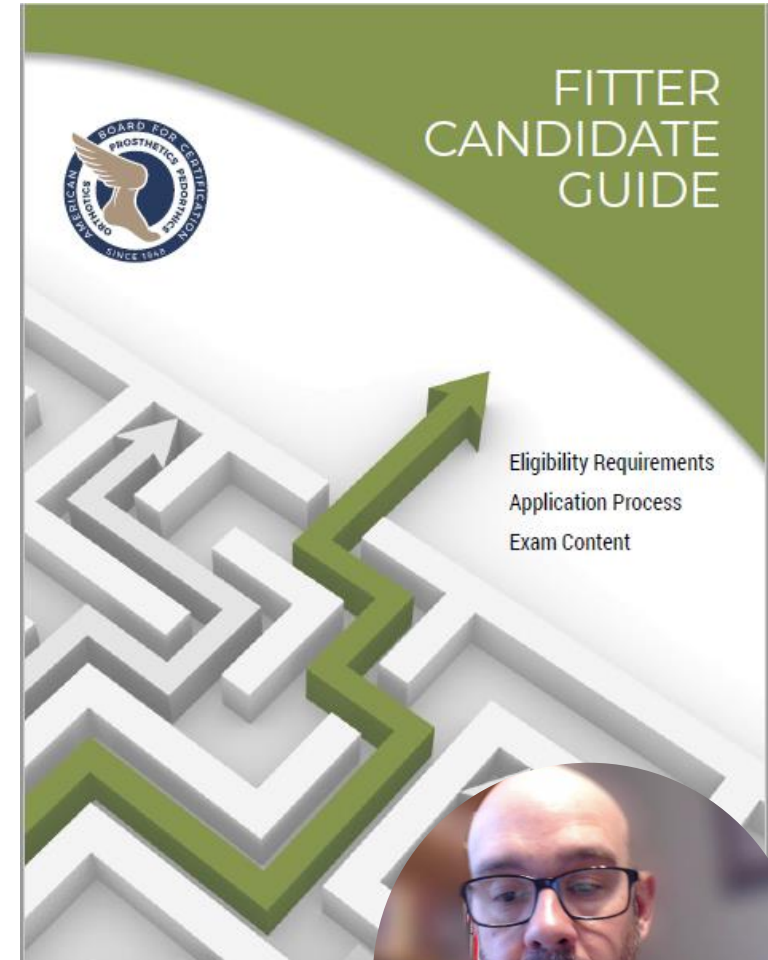
With a greater need for competent, reliable, and ethical patient care as it pertains to those who live with diabetes and the symptoms attributed to the disease, it is necessary to hold those responsible to a higher standard.



How to Become a CFts

1. High School Diploma or GED
2. ABCOP approved course
3. 125 hours* of patient fitting experience
4. Letter of Attestation from referral source
5. Submit \$250 with application
6. Take/Pass 100 question multiple choice exam
 1. Offered 6 times per year
 2. 300 locations throughout the US

*Effective Jan 1, 2022



Staying Current

1. 20 credits of Continuing Education within the 5-year cycle
2. Either Category 1 or 2 credits may be obtained
3. A maximum of 10 category 2 credits per 5-year cycle
4. Approved courses can be found at www.abcop.org
5. Yearly dues also required (\$150)



Approved Course

The American Board for Certification in Orthotics, Prosthetics and Pedorthics (ABCOP) is the accreditation body for this training course. As such, its primary mission and obligation is to ensure educational and residency programs meet the minimum standards of quality to prepare individuals to enter the O&P profession.



Affiliated Agencies

ABC is the only credentialing board with Category I recognition of its orthotist/prosthetist certification program from the **International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics (ISPO)** in addition to participating in **National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA)** accreditation.



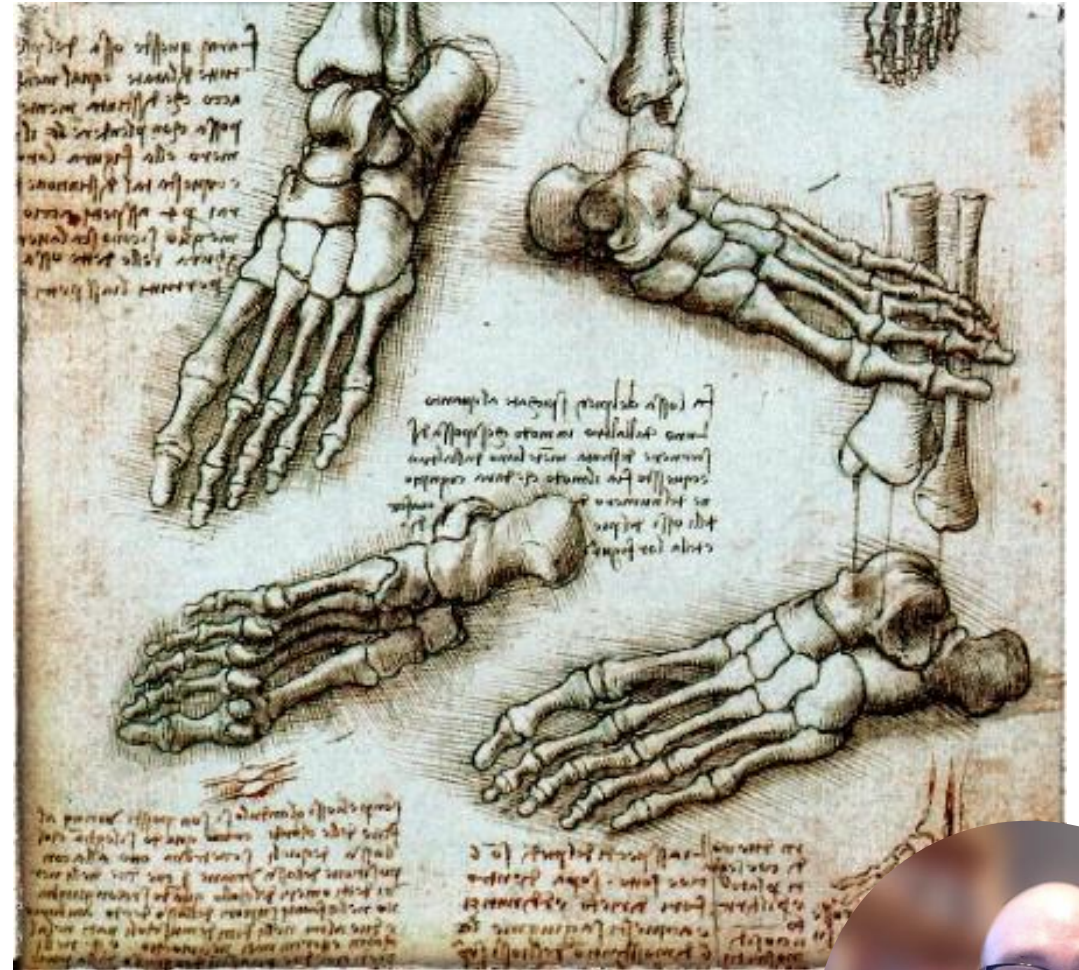
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The Human Foot

The anatomical structure which bears weight and allow locomotion

"The human foot is a masterpiece of engineering and a work of art."

Leonardo da Vinci



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Footwear

Garments worn on the feet for protection and adornment. Through the advancement of technology and engineering, shoes continue to change with new materials, functions and needs.



Let's begin...

