

2019 Bylaws

Article III

3. Committee on Advanced Subspecialty Training (CAST)

The Committee on Advanced Subspecialty Training (CAST) will be comprised of a Chair, a Secretary/Treasurer, and five additional members. The membership of the CAST will be appointed by the Executive Council from the Active SNS membership. Representation on the CAST by current or past members of the RRC for Neurological Surgery and the American Board of Neurological Surgery (ABNS) is desirable so as to maintain familiarity with training programs and principles of the accreditation and certification process. Terms of service on the CAST will be staggered among the members and will be for three years with one renewal option for a maximum term of six years. The Chair of the CAST will attend the SNS Executive Council meetings for the purpose of communicating CAST deliberations and facilitating Executive Council oversight of CAST activities.

The CAST will be responsible for accreditation of subspecialty training fellowships, subspecialty fellowship certification of individuals participating in these neurosurgery programs, and for development and updating of subspecialty training requirements. Additionally, the CAST will have responsibility for promulgating study and analysis of outcomes relative to neurosurgical subspecialty training and, when necessary, developing and monitoring programs for a neurosurgery fellowship match.

The organization, policies and procedures of the CAST will be in accordance with Appendix 2.

Proposed Bylaws changes (added or altered language is indicated in red, with strikethrough indicating deletions)

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3. Committee on Advanced Subspecialty Training (CAST)

The Committee on Advanced Subspecialty Training (CAST) will be comprised of a Chair, a Secretary/Treasurer, and **seven** additional members. The membership of the CAST will be appointed by the Executive Council from the **Active SNS and Neuroendovascular Surgery Advisory Committee (NESAC)** membership. **Senior SNS members may be included on the CAST.** Representation on the CAST by current or past members of the RRC for Neurological Surgery and the American Board of Neurological Surgery (ABNS) is desirable so as to maintain familiarity with training programs and principles of the accreditation and certification process. Terms of service on the CAST will be staggered among the members and will be for three years with one renewal option for a maximum term of six years. **The term of the NESAC member will coincide with the term as Chair of NESAC.** The Chair of the CAST will attend SNS Executive Council meetings for the purpose of communicating CAST deliberations and facilitating Executive Council oversight of CAST activities.

The CAST will be responsible for accreditation of subspecialty training fellowships, ~~subspecialty fellowship certification of individuals participating in these neurosurgery programs,~~ and for development and updating of subspecialty training requirements. **Until the transition to the ABMS Recognition of Focused Practice, the Committee will approve subspecialty fellowship certification of individuals participating in CNS Endovascular Surgery and NeuroCritical Care.** Additionally, the CAST will have responsibility for promulgating study and analysis of outcomes relative to neurosurgical subspecialty training and, when necessary, developing and monitoring programs for a neurosurgery fellowship match.

The organization, policies and procedures of the CAST will be in accordance with **the CAST charter.**