



## AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC BOARD OF SURGERY

### **PRE- EXAMINATION INSTRUCTIONS**

On behalf of the American Osteopathic Association and American Osteopathic Board of Surgery, Welcome to the Spring 2021 administration of the General Surgery Oral Examination.

This is a high stakes examination and it is taken very seriously. There will be no tolerance for anything less than an honest representation of your knowledge.

The surgeons administering the examination are volunteer members of the Board. It is their privilege to assist you with this very important phase of your career. They, along with the staff from Paradigm and MonitorEDU, are here to assist you in your board certification process and to assure the **integrity and validity** of this examination.

You may have a white board, marker and eraser on your work surface to take notes. You will need to show the examiners a clean white board (front and back) at the beginning of each question. You may have water in a clear glass or bottle(s) with all labels removed. There should be nothing else on your work surface.

You will not be permitted to leave the workspace once the exam has begun as we cannot monitor any area outside of the secured area. If you leave the secured area at any time, your examination will be immediately stopped and scored as a failed examination.