



THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR  
AESTHETIC PLASTIC SURGERY, INC.

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## FACT SHEET

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| <b>Year founded:</b> | 1967  |
| <b>Membership:</b>   | Approximately 2,600 members in all categories. Plastic surgeons are elected to membership. Active Members practice in the U.S. and Canada.  |
| <b>Candidates:</b>   | Approximately 1,200 additional plastic surgeons are currently enrolled in the ASAPS Candidate Program or the International Candidate Program. These surgeons have not yet been elected to membership.   |
| <b>Requirements:</b> | <p>For election to Active Membership, a plastic surgeon must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery (U.S.) or certified in plastic surgery by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada</li> <li>• Be in at least the third year of active practice following board certification</li> <li>• Meet specified requirements for accredited cosmetic surgery Continuing Medical Education (CME)</li> <li>• Meet specified requirements for documented cosmetic surgery cases performed during a 12-month period and covering a wide range of procedures</li> <li>• Operate in an accredited surgical facility</li> <li>• Be sponsored by two ASAPS members</li> <li>• Submit current marketing/advertising materials, if any, for review</li> <li>• Adhere to current ethical standards for professional conduct</li> </ul> <p>For election to International Active Membership, plastic surgeons must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide documentation of membership in a national plastic surgery society acceptable to the Board of Directors, or the International Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery (ISAPS)</li> <li>• Attendance at The Aesthetic Meeting or a meeting exclusively organized and managed by the Society within 4 years prior to the application date</li> <li>• Documentation of a minimum 75 aesthetic surgical cases during a recent 18 month period OR completion of a 12 month ASAPS endorsed Aesthetic Fellowship (fellowship must be endorsed at time of completion, please verify with the Membership Manager)</li> <li>• Ability to document 60 hours of participation in meetings that pertain to aesthetic surgery during 36-month period prior to application date</li> <li>• Two (2) sponsors, one must be an ASAPS Active/International Active or Life Member, and the other a member from a national plastic surgery society acceptable to the Board of Directors, or</li> </ul> |

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|                       | <p>from an ISAPS member in your country</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submission of report on all malpractice cases, if any</li> <li>• Provide verification of accreditation of any surgical facilities that are used</li> <li>• Agree to abide by the Society's Bylaws Code of Ethics</li> </ul>   |
| <b>ASAPS Mission:</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To advance the science and art of aesthetic plastic surgery among qualified plastic surgeons through medical education and research</li> <li>• To promote ethical conduct and responsible patient care</li> <li>• To serve the public by providing accurate and timely information on aesthetic plastic surgery</li> <li>• To advance the medical profession and plastic surgery specialty</li> </ul> |
| <b>Publications:</b>  | <i>Aesthetic Surgery Journal</i> : peer-reviewed scientific journal, 8 issues a year   |
| <b>Research:</b>      | Sponsor of Cosmetic Surgery National Data Bank annual statistics   |
| <b>Referrals:</b>     | <p>Consumers can use the Find-A-Surgeon database to find a database to locate a plastic surgeon in their area:</p> <p><a href="http://www.smartbeautyguide.com/select-surgeon">http://www.smartbeautyguide.com/select-surgeon</a></p>  |
| <b>Home Page:</b>     | <a href="http://www.surgery.org">www.surgery.org</a>   |