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**To:** Board Members

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**Subject: Agenda Item 20 – Presentation by the Accreditation Council in Optometric Education (ACOE) on the Accreditation and Continued Monitoring Process for Optometry Schools and Colleges**

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Business and Professions Code § [3023](#) requires the Board to accredit schools, colleges, and universities in or out of this state providing optometric education, that it finds giving a sufficient program of study for the preparation of optometrists.

The Board uses [Accreditation Council in Optometric Education](#) (ACOE) as its accrediting body; ACOE is the only accrediting body for professional optometric degree (O.D.) programs, optometric residency programs and optometric technician programs in the United States and Canada.

During a prior meeting, a Board Member requested a presentation on ACOE's accreditation and continued monitoring process of the optometry schools and colleges. Thus, an ACOE representative will provide a WebEx presentation during the meeting. A PowerPoint presentation will be distributed to Members and linked on our website prior to the meeting.