ABMS-certified DOs offered exam-free pathway to AOA Board Certification

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Public Health News: Guns Overtake Car Crashes as Leading Cause of Traumatic Death in US


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Congratulations, Dr. Joyce Johnson, DO

Congratulations to long-time friend of AOCOPM, Dr. Joyce Johnson, DO, on her recent nomination by President Biden to be a member of the asset and infrastructure review commission, Department of Veterans Affairs. [https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/03/09/president-biden-announces-key-nominees-5/](https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/03/09/president-biden-announces-key-nominees-5/)

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