



AOCA 2024 ANNUAL CONVENTION



SEPTEMBER 7-10, 2024

Westin Rancho Mirage | Palm Springs, CA

American Osteopathic College of Anesthesiologists

Annual Convention & Conclave/VAPOR | September 7-10, 2024 | Palm Springs, CA

Improving Perioperative Outcomes

Program Subject to Change

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

07:00 AM Registration, Breakfast & Abstract Poster Viewing

Session 1: General Anesthesia (Concurrent)

08:00 AM Legacy of AOCA - Examining the History of Improved Outcomes – Jason Haxton & Jonah Jerabek

08:30 AM Novel Predictors of Difficult Airways – Dane Grenda, DO

09:00 AM Optimizing anesthesia outcomes for ICU patients undergoing surgery – Shelley Iverson, DO

09:30 AM Panel Discussion/Q&A

Emerging Professionals Program (Concurrent)

08:00 AM Everything You NEED to Know about ERAS & How to Have a Successful Match*

09:00 AM How to Apply to Elective Rotations & Be Successful*

09:30 AM How to Ace Your Interviews*

10:00 AM Break & Visit Vendors

Session 2: Keynote Speaker

10:30 AM Medical Device Research Focusing on Wearable, Wireless Respiratory Monitoring System – Jeffrey Joseph, DO

11:30 AM Lunch & Abstract Poster Viewing

Session 3: Scientific Abstracts

12:30 PM Scientific Abstract Presentations

02:30 PM Break & Visit Vendors

Point-of-Care Ultrasound (POCUS) Workshop

02:30 PM POCUS Workshop – Elaina Lin, MD

06:30 PM Conclave Ceremony & Reception

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

07:00 AM Registration & Breakfast with Vendors

Session 1: Ambulatory Anesthesia

08:00 AM Aspiration and Propofol for Colonoscopy – Russell Woda, DO

08:30 AM Non-Operating Room Anesthesia (NORA) Patient Selection & Considerations – Guy Williams, DO

09:00 AM Surgery Center Management/OR Efficiency*

09:30 AM Panel Discussion/Q&A



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10:00 AM Break & Visit Vendors

Session 2: Pediatric Anesthesia (Concurrent)

10:30 AM Bariatrics – Victoria Saïtes, MD

11:00 AM Autism and Neurodiversity – Greta Duncan-Wiebe, MD

11:30 AM Anesthesia for congenital heart patients undergoing imaging: Improving outcomes – Amy Beethe, MD

12:00 PM Panel Discussion/Q&A

Session 2B: OB Anesthesia (Concurrent)

10:30 AM Best Practices for PDPH

11:00 AM What's behind increasing maternal mortality?*

11:30 AM Panel Discussion/Q&A

12:30 PM Lunch

Session 3: AOA, ASA, and AOBA Updates

01:30 PM AOA Updates – Teresa Hubka, DO

01:50 PM ASA Updates – Ronald Harter, MD, FASA

02:10 PM AOBA Updates*

02:30 PM Break & Visit Vendors

Session 4: How to Become an Effective Advocate for your Practice and Your Profession (Concurrent)

03:00 PM Todd Primack, DO & Paul Yost, MD

OMT Refresher Workshop (Concurrent)

03:00 PM OMT Refresher Workshop – David Mason, MD

Session 5: Advocacy and Political Involvement (Concurrent)

04:00 PM State of Legislation Concerning Anesthesia Assistants – David Klingensmith, DO, FAOCA

04:30 PM Anesthesiology in Rural Communities – Tanya Schnell, DO

05:00 PM Panel Discussion/Q&A

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

06:30 AM Timothy D. Ernst Memorial Walk/Run

07:00 AM Registration & Breakfast

Session 1: Resuscitation (Concurrent)

08:00 AM ACLA After Cardiac Surgery – Jesse Lester, MD

08:30 AM Regional resuscitation – Sang Le, MD

09:00 AM Perioperative Resuscitation and Life Support – Michael Lyaker, MD

ACLS/BLS/PALS Workshop (Concurrent)

10:00 AM Break

Session 2: Chronic Pain (Concurrent)

10:15 AM Buprenorphine – Ashley Bailey Classen, DO

10:45 AM Improving perioperative outcomes for posterior spinal fusion – Kaitlyn Pellegrino, MD

11:15 AM Panel Discussion/Q&A

Session 2B: Regional & Block Pain

10:15 AM Regional blocks for breast surgery/thoracic surgery – Deepti Harshavardhana, DO

10:45 AM TBD

11:15 AM Panel Discussion/Q&A



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Session 3: AOCA Annual Business Meeting & Lunch

11:45 AM AOCA Business Meeting – James Griffin, DO, FAOCA

Session 4: Keynote Speaker

12:45 PM Opioids – Karsten Bartels, MD

01:45 PM Break

Session 5: Pre- & Post-Operative – Dealing with Common Complications

02:00 PM Medication Safety – Lauren Lobaugh, MD

02:30 PM GLP-1 Agonists – John Wenzel, MD

03:00 PM Improving perioperative outcomes for chronic pain procedures – Redgy Fuller, DO

03:30 PM Panel Discussion/Q&A

05:00 PM President's Reception

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

07:00 AM Registration & Breakfast

07:00 AM AOCA Book Club Discussion – Ursula Landman, DO, FAOCA

Session 1: Year in Review – Snap Sessions

08:00 AM Cardiac*

08:15 AM Obstetrics – Suzanne Huffnagle, DO, FAOCA

08:30 AM Regional*

08:45 AM Critical Care – Jefferson Kyle Dryden, DO, FAOCA

09:00 AM Liver Transplant – Sean Washek, DO

09:15 AM General Anesthesia*

09:30 AM Break

Session 2: Wellness & Professionalism

09:45 AM Dr. Heal Thyself: When the Physician is the Patient – Albert Yurvati, DO, PhD

10:30 AM Optimizing Your Chance for Early Retirement – Grace Liu, DO, FAOCA

*Speaker TBD