

Annual Report 2019



**American Osteopathic
College of Anesthesiologists**



Mission/Vision

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What is the AOCA?

The American Osteopathic College of Anesthesiologists (**AOCA**) is a national membership organization that promotes the interests of osteopathic anesthesiologists by improving the quality of training, education, and patient care as it relates to anesthesia and pain management.

Osteopathic medicine emphasizes the "whole person" approach to patient care. Osteopathic physicians (DO's) receive extra training in the musculoskeletal system and embrace a philosophy of health rather than simply treating disease.

The American College of Osteopathic Anesthesiologists exists to:

- Support quality anesthesia and pain management medical care
- Promote the interests of osteopathic anesthesiologists
- Support development and implementation of osteopathic anesthesia and pain management medical education
- Advance the philosophy and practice of osteopathic medicine through a system of quality and cost-effective healthcare in a distinct, unified profession

Outgoing President's Message

Thomas Costello, Thomas P. Costello



This last year in the AOCA has been one that I will always remember and treasure. The AOCA has changed and progressed during the time I have had the phe title Doctor, but many forget that a physician is so much more. As DOs not only do we practice standard of care medicine in anesthesia, but

we are constantly looking at and evaluating our patients, yes patients not clients, as whole people. We evaluate them physically as is pertinent to surgery and anesthesia as well as structurally and emotionally. We are able to use our unique training to give that little extra tweek that just may give the patient a more satisfactory outcome and experience.

Having had the humbling privilege of being an officer on the Board of Governors has provided an opportunity to come in contact with many national anesthesia and related groups and their leaders. I was greatly impressed by what I see as a genuine interest in Osteopathic physician anesthesiologists and their training. Given my nature, I was very skeptical at first. I was sure they just wanted to eat up our training programs in order to obtain more funded training slots. I am convinced now that is not the case. These recent changes have provided us with an opportunity to act as ambassadors for Osteopathic medicine. We should take advantage of it. We have something to offer not something to prove. I firmly believe the AOCA will be around for quite a while. In he official verbiage, we are healthy and viable. The organization is uniquely situated to be the advocate for and the voice of Osteopathically trained anesthesiologist. You will see continuing improvement in education to our members is quite strong. Transparency is now firmly rooted in the AOCA. We have taken a big step and moved up in the quality and capability of our new management organization, AMR.

I am a bit embarrassed to say that I have received so much more from my colleagues on the Board than I have been able to give. They truly put the good of the College and its members ahead of anything else. I am sure many give more than 20 hours a week toward this goal in addition to teaching and practicing anesthesiology, their families, and anything else they do. The examples set by many of our members in general and on the Board will give me a goal for the rest of my life.

I urge any of our members who read this to become more involved with the AOCA. Your involvement can only make us better. The cost is only some of your time and effort, the reward is priceless. I thank you all.

Incoming President's Statement

Jeffrey V. Kyff, DO, FAOCA



I am thankful to everyone who attended the Conclave in Philadelphia. It was a wonderful event that recognized new Fellows and wonderful leaders in the AOCA.

I also want to thank you for trusting me and electing me as the 2020 President. It's my honor to serve in this role.

I am truly encouraged by what I heard from the leaders of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA). Dr. Burns and Dr. Klauer spoke about the value of understanding, cooperation, compassion and mindfulness – all important characteristics that our college reflects.

I was also encouraged by the fact that the American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) reached out to me and our Executive Director, Julie Kahlfeldt. The ASA leaders are looking for areas of mutual interest. There are 3000 DO members in the ASA. It is my intent to encourage them to get to know AOCA and maybe to come home.

Our future keeps getting brighter and brighter to me. We need you, our valued members to participate and stay engaged. Here's to a great 2020! concept of disease, advance the standards of practice, and provide the opportunity for study and training in the art and science of anesthesiology. Additionally, it is the mission of the AOCA to act as an advocate on behalf of osteopathic physicians who practice anesthesiology.

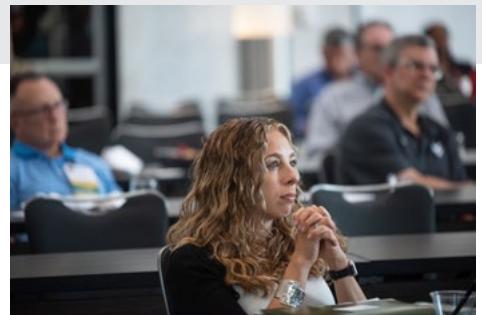




Pro-Ed Committee

Jennifer M. Hargrave, DO, FAOCA

The Professional Education Committee is charged with ensuring coordinated delivery of educational programming for the specialty. The Committee accomplishes this by developing and delivering innovative, challenging educational programs targeting the general area of anesthesiology and its additional areas of specialization.



EVENTS BY THE NUMBERS

Mid Year Seminar

Chicago, IL

March 15-17, 2019



Total Registration
262



Total CME
up to **23 hours** of AOA
Category 1-A



**Total Commercial
Support**
\$12,500

Annual Conclave & Conference

Philadelphia, PA

September 14-18, 2019



Total Registration
255



Total CME
up to **31 hours** of AOA
Category 1-A



**Total Commercial
Support**
\$29,500

AWARD & HONORS



AOCA has a rich and diverse series of honors, awards, and scholarships that it bestows on members. We are extremely proud of our members who do so much for the industry, their patients, and the specialty.



**SUZANNE
HUFFNAGLE
DO, FAOCA**



2019 Fellows

AOCA proudly recognizes the following members who were inducted as Fellows on September 16, 2019 in Philadelphia.

Brett Groff, DO, FAOCA
Rebeca Margolis, DO, FAOCA
Dan Liu, DO, FAOCA
Michael S. O'Connor, DO, MPH, FAOCA

2019 Scientific Session Poster Winners Complex Case

Damon Morris, DO

Scientific Investigation

Jessica K. Goeller, DO

2019 Timothy D. Ernst Scholarship Recipient

AOCA awards this scholarship to provide residents with an opportunity to attend the AOCA Annual Convention. Dr. Timothy D. Ernst had a passion for education and always strived to help and mentor the residents.

We are pleased to announce that Huy Nguyen, DO, received this award in 2019.

AOCA encourages all members to consider nominating those in our field who display compassion for anesthesia, patients, and humanity.

2019 INITIATIVES



Membership Report Ursula Landman, DO, FAOCA

Membership remains steady and the AOCA leaders are grateful to all who continue to participate and renew their membership.

The Membership Committee is proud of these initiatives for 2019. Most are on-going projects and the committee encourages anyone interested in supporting these efforts to connect with Dr. Landman or the AOCA office.

Began student outreach program that includes three components: ambassador, mentor and anesthesia interest group. This will be an ongoing project.

Created networking opportunities with students and residents at the Annual Conference & Conclave during the 5k Fun Run and at other social events. AOCA is eager to involve students early in the College and the specialty.

Board of Governor members called lapsed members to encourage them to renew. This was a very successful campaign and will continue for the future.

Executive leadership attended the AOA House of Delegates meeting with an intent to connect with members of the Student Osteopathic Medical Association. Very good connections were made, and these relationships will be fostered throughout the coming years.

An initial effort made to include military members began this fall. This is an ongoing project and the committee would appreciate any assistance to help facilitate this relationship.



FINANCE REPORT



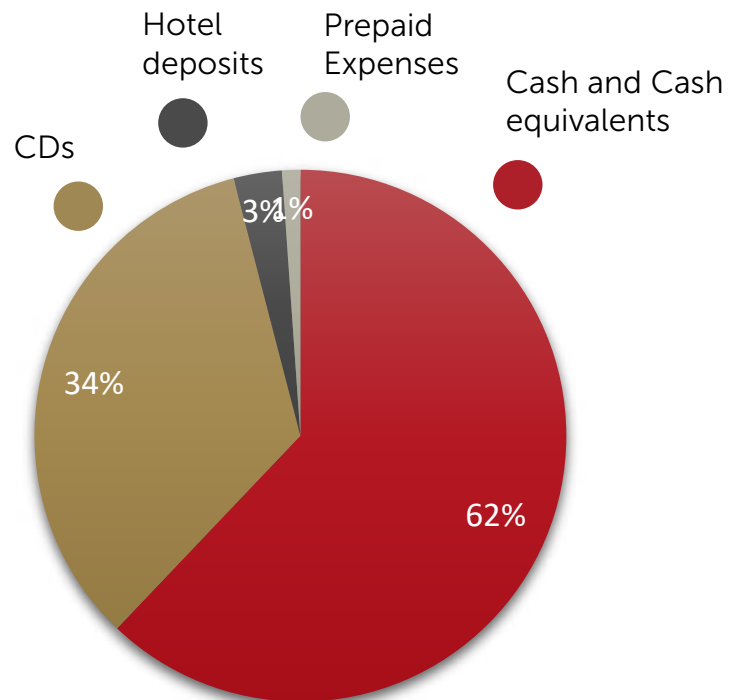
Finance Report
David Ninan, DO, FAOCA, Treasurer

99% of AOCA
Liabilities in 2019 are
deferred revenue.

1% are accounts payable

99% of AOCA
Net Assests in 2019
are unrestricted.

AOCA ASSETS 2019





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