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# Things not to miss in Scottsdale!

## **CME SESSIONS:**

28 total category 1A CME hours over 3 1/2 days.

## **PRODUCT THEATERS:**

5 hours of non-CME sessions with info on the latest pharm news, along with a great meal.

## **EXPO CENTRAL:**

30 vendors ready to share their product news and free stuff.

## **ANNUAL AOCD MEETING & RECEPTION:**

An evening of information, awards, officer installation, and fun.

## **FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER:**

Silent auction and Saturday evening mixer. Bid on items in the expo then stop by for a free drink Saturday night.

# Things not to miss in Scottsdale!

## **SCOTTSDALE'S MCDOWELL SONORAN PRESERVE:**

This vast urban preserve – the largest of its kind in the nation – encompasses more than 30,500 acres and boasts 225+ miles of scenic shared-use trails in the McDowell Mountain foothills for hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding.

## **OLD TOWN SCOTTSDALE:**

Taking a stroll through Old Town is easily one of the best things to do in Scottsdale. Old Town's nine walkable neighborhoods offer you a variety of experiences by day and night. Discover Scottsdale's beginnings in Historic Old Town.

## **FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S TALIESIN WEST:**

Taliesin West. A variety of daily tours at this UNESCO Heritage Site, originally constructed in the late 1930s, offer guests an insider's look into Wright's ingenious designs and his ability to seamlessly blend indoor and outdoor spaces.

# Things not to miss in Scottsdale!

## **SCOTTSDALE MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART:**

SMoCA, an ingenious renovation of an old movie theater by architect Will Bruder, celebrates the modern art, architecture and design of our time through thought-provoking, changing **exhibitions.**

## **SONORAN DESERT ADVENTURES:**

We may be partial, but we think Scottsdale's great outdoors is greater than most. Our sunny skies and lush Sonoran Desert create the perfect backdrop for outdoor adventures like hot air ballooning, horseback riding, off-road tours, river rafting and more.

## **WONDERSPACES ARIZONA:**

Wonderspaces Arizona is a fascinating exploration of the idea that art is for everyone. The captivating, interactive displays allow you to experience art through sight, touch, sound, movement and even virtual reality. Exhibitions change frequently, so there's always something new to explore at Wonderspaces!

# Things not to miss in Scottsdale!

## **DESERT BOTANICAL GARDEN:**

The Garden's five paved thematic trails introduce you to thousands of arid-land plants from around the world, as well as changing exhibits of large-scale art. Must-see events at the Garden include Las Noches de las Luminarias.

## **SCOTTSDALE GOLF:**

Scottsdale is known as "The World's Finest Golf Destination," and it's easy to see why when you consider the city's roster of luxury resorts, 330 days of annual sunshine and high-caliber courses like TPC Scottsdale, Troon North and Grayhawk. Top it all off with stellar dining and nightlife scenes, exciting desert adventures and a boatload of top-notch attractions, and you'd be hard pressed to find a more welcoming place to enjoy the round of a lifetime.

*From the desk of:*

**Marsha A. Wise**

*Executive Director, American Osteopathic College of Dermatology*

*Executive Director, Foundation for Osteopathic Dermatology*

*Executive Director, American Osteopathic College of Pathologists, Inc.*

*Past President, Society of Osteopathic Specialty Executives*

Hello Everyone

Thank you for your continued support of the AOCD. We are looking forward to seeing everyone in Scottsdale.

We encourage everyone attending Scottsdale to **PLEASE** visit the vendors and participate in the Product Theaters. We've seen a decline in Pharma funding and the reason we are told is because they do not get the traffic at their booths.

Here at the AOCD, **ALL** pharma funds received go to support **YOUR** AOCD Conference. We are a Not for Profit 501c3 organization, not a private equity group. Your membership dues, meeting registrations helps to keep the AOCD thriving!

Our 2025 meeting will be at our favorite Hilton in West Palm Beach! Our main contact and event planner, Hope is able to read our minds and knows what we need and when we need it. We **LOVE** our Hope! Online registration will open in early summer for this meeting and the hotel booking link will be posted. It is important to note:

1. This contract was signed over 3 years ago, based on what attendance numbers we had been experiencing.
2. We have "X" amount of rooms open for "X" amount of days at the contracted room rate of \$332.00.
3. You are **ENCOURAGED** to reserve your room **EARLY!**
4. The AOCD staff has **NO** control over lack of rooms on the night you may need.
5. **ALL** difficulties encountered while attempting to reserve your room should be addressed with the Hotel directly, **NOT** the AOCD Office. (Our magic wand is broken)

There will be a Fall Virtual CME event. At this time we do not know how many CME we will be able to offer or content titles.

Remember the AOA CME cycle ends December 31, 2024. Don't forget, we are here to help you with your CME questions. Call, text, Facetime us!







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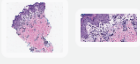
# NEW TO AOCD ONLINE LEARNING DERMATOLOGY SELF-ASSESSMENT EXAMS

Dermatology self-assessment exams are available now on AOCD Online Learning. These exams are six unique tests programmed as traditional multiple choice dermatology in-service exams and designed as automated self-assessment tools to help identify strengths and knowledge gaps in dermatology. Exam sections include dermatopathology, kodachrome, and comprehensive. Dermatopathology and kodachrome sections feature slides and photographs with built-in image navigation features. The comprehensive section spans the spectrum of the dermatologic field. Receive instantaneous feedback, with the ability to review correct and incorrect answers after the exam. In addition, receive a downloadable report detailing your results in each category and comprehensive exam sub-category. Additional features and exam formats coming soon.

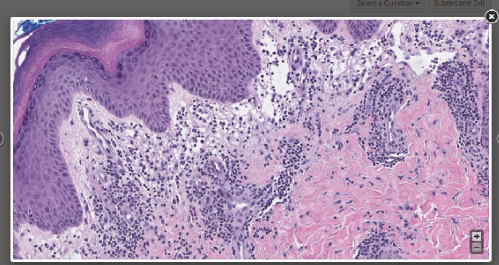
## Dermpath & Kodachrome Questions with Image Navigation

**Question 6 of 175**

What is the best answer choice?



- A) Erythema elevatum diutinum
- B) Granuloma faciale
- C) Lichen simplex chronicus
- D) Pernio
- E) Polymorphous light eruption



F) Polymorphous light eruption


## Review Your Incorrect Answers

**Questions:**  
Each box below represents a question. Click any box below to view that question.

Correct	Incorrect	Unanswered
1 ✓	2 ✗	3 ✓
4 ✓	5 ✓	6 ✓
7 ✓	8 ✗	9 ✓
10 ✓	11 ✓	12 ✓
13 ✗	14 ✓	15 ✓
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166 ✓	167 ✓	168 ✓
169 ✗	170 ✗	171 ✓

**Question 8 of 175**

What is the best answer choice?



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Your Answer

- Syringocystadenoma papilliferum
- Hidradenoma papilliferum
- Intravascular papillary endothelial hyperplasia
- Acrospiroma
- Fibrile adenomatosis of the nipple

## Detailed Exam Results

**Your Score: 73%**

73% Correct | 27% Incorrect

**Time to Complete: 03:33:45 / 00:00:00**

Below is the break-down of the quiz result:

Section Name	Score	Correct / Total
Dermatopathology	80%	40 / 50
Kodachrome	76%	19 / 25
Comprehensive	68%	68 / 100
Acne/Infection	50%	1 / 2
Bites/Stings/Infestations	100%	1 / 1
Bullous	75%	6 / 8
Connective Tissue	33%	1 / 3
Dermatitis	69%	9 / 13
Genodermatoses	86%	6 / 7
Granuloma	50%	1 / 2
Infectious Disease	46%	6 / 13
Mucous membrane	50%	1 / 2
Nutrition/Endocrine/Metabolic	25%	2 / 8
Papulosquamous	100%	8 / 8
Pharmacology	80%	12 / 15
Pigmentary	100%	5 / 5
Physical Modality	100%	2 / 2
Procedural	60%	3 / 5
Structure and Function	80%	4 / 5

Review Completion Time

Review Individual Section Scores

Identify Gaps in Knowledge

Identify Areas of Strength

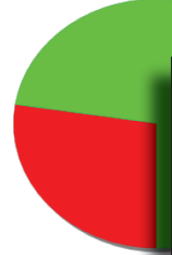
## Printable Exam Results Report

**Test Summary Report**

Printed on: 1/13/2023

**Your Score**  
Exam/Test: Dermatology Self-Assessment Exam (Test Version B)  
Learner name: J. Smith  
**Your Score: 72.57%**  
Elapsed time to complete this attempt: 02:33:45 (HH:MM:SS)  
Date and Time: January 13, 2023

**Your Response**



**Learning Objective Performance**

Section Name: Comprehensive

Learning Objective	Score
Appendageal	1.0 of 2.0 (50.00%)
Bites/Stings/Infestations	1.0 of 1.0 (100.00%)
Bullous	6.0 of 8.0 (75.00%)
Connective Tissue	1.0 of 3.0 (33.33%)
Dermatitis	9.0 of 13.0 (69.23%)
Genodermatoses	6.0 of 7.0 (85.71%)
Granuloma	1.0 of 2.0 (50.00%)
Infectious Disease	6.0 of 13.0 (46.15%)
Mucous membrane	1.0 of 2.0 (50.00%)
Nutrition/Endocrine/Metabolic	2.0 of 8.0 (25.00%)
Papulosquamous	8.0 of 8.0 (100.00%)
Pharmacology	12.0 of 15.0 (80.00%)
Photobiology	5.0 of 5.0 (100.00%)
Physical Modality	2.0 of 2.0 (100.00%)
Pigmentary	2.0 of 2.0 (100.00%)
Procedural	3.0 of 5.0 (60.00%)
Structure and Function	4.0 of 5.0 (80.00%)



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# News from the FOUNDATION

February 22, 2024

Foundation Update “Silent Auction”  
Congratulations to G. Scott Drew, DO

As you know the Foundation for Osteopathic Dermatology (FOD) is sponsoring an AOCD Reunion and Foundation Fund Raiser at our spring meeting in Scottsdale Arizona

April 11-14, 2024.

The meeting will take place at The Westin, Kierland.

On Saturday evening April 13<sup>th</sup> the Foundation is having a “Silent Auction”. All the proceeds will benefit the FOD.

I would like to update our membership on some of the “In Kind.” donations we have received thus far are the following.

Salvador Dali’ Final Vision Signed Multi-Media Etching 63/100.

Harly Davidson 95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition Leather Jackets.

Hopi Kachina Doll “The Healer” signed.

Butterfly Art by Marshall Hill signed. “The most famous artist in the world to work with real Butterflies and Lucite.”

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Amethyst Geode (Bolivia)

Set of Poker Chips

If any AOCD members or Foundation Donors would like to Donate items for the auctions such as memorabilia, collectables, Artwork, time share weeks etc.

Should you wish to donate an item please contact me on my personal cell phone or text me at 937- 470-5990.

Since I live in Arizona you can ship the item to my home, and I will see that it gets to the meeting.

Thank You in Advance of Your Donations

Dr. Gene Conte

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*\$25,000 total (\$5000 per year over 5 year period)*

## **Ulbrich Circle**

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*\$10,000 total (\$1000 per year over 10 year period)*

## **Koprince Society**

**\$ 1000**

*(one time donation)*

## **Leaders of Osteopathic Dermatology**

**\$500**

*(one time donation)*

## **Scholars Circle**

**\$ 250**

*(one time donation)*

## **Residents Forum**

**\$ 100**

*(one time donation)*

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**Friday, April 12, 2024**

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Program

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Scottsdale, Arizona

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*This program is independent and is not part of the official conference agenda as planned by the Program Committee of the American Osteopathic College of Dermatology Conference.*







*The AOCD recently celebrated 65 years of Osteopathic Dermatology!*

*Join us as we congratulate these milestone members with their continuous years of membership with the AOCD.*

*Check back in 2025 for a brand new list of members celebrating continuous years of support and membership with the AOCD.*

*We would not be here without you!*

*Congratulations to the following AOCD members celebrating 20 years of continuous membership in 2024 since obtaining Board Certification.*

<i>James A. Armile, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Anais Aurora Badia, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Igor Chaplik, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Mark D. Garcia, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Scott Goffin, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Risa J. Gorin-Druckman, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Mark E. Hinkson, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ladd, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Wendy L. McFalda, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Steven Moreno, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Matthew Muellenhoff, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Diem Quynh Pham, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Michael J. Sabat, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Thi T. Tran D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Robert Zabel, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>

*Congratulations to the following AOCD members celebrating 25 years of continuous membership in 2024 since obtaining Board Certification.*

<i>Meghan Caruso, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Tanya Ermolovich, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Melinda Greenfield, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Daniel Hurd, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Mark Kuriata, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Janice Lima-Maribona, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Joan Tamburro, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>David Tolliver, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Ted Van Acker, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>

*Congratulations to the following AOCD members celebrating 30 years of continuous membership in 2024 since obtaining Board Certification.*

<i>Brad Abrams, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Martin Blackwell, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Carol Cola, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Jonathan Crane, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Michael Dunnigan, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Ronald Liskanich, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Justin Marone, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
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<i>Frederick Roberts, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Richard Rudnicki, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Paul Stevenson, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Sherrie Williamson, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Monte Fox, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow/Life</i>
<i>Leslie Kramer, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow/Life</i>

*Congratulations to the following AOCD members celebrating 35 years of continuous membership in 2024 since obtaining Board Certification.*

<i>J. Greg Brady, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Richard Diskin, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow/Life</i>
<i>Stanley Skopit, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow/Life</i>

*Congratulations to the following AOCD members celebrating 40 years of continuous membership in 2024 since obtaining Board Certification.*

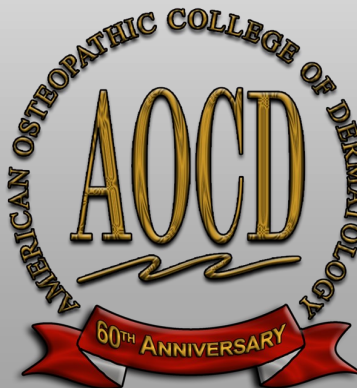
<i>Annette LaCasse, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow</i>
<i>Lloyd Cleaver, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow/Life</i>
<i>Douglas Vaughn, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow/Life</i>

*Congratulations to the following AOCD members celebrating 45 years of continuous membership in 2024 since obtaining Board Certification.*

<i>William Heckert, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow/Life</i>
<i>Joel Harris, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow/Life</i>
<i>Steven Roberts, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow/Life</i>

*Congratulations to the following AOCD members celebrating 50 years of continuous membership in 2024 since obtaining Board Certification.*

<i>Earl Bachenberg, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow/Life</i>
<i>Anthony Cardello, D.O., FAOCD</i>	<i>Fellow/Life</i>



# ***RURAL DERMATOLOGY***

There is new legislation that allows urban hospitals to partner with Rural clinics in expanding training opportunities in rural areas. This change provides greater flexibility for hospitals to address the physician workforce needs of rural areas, which is responsible for poor health outcomes and higher mortality and morbidity rates in rural areas (approximately 60 million Americans live in rural areas). Nearly 70% of the primary care health professional shortage areas (HPSAs) are located in rural or partially rural areas. Several studies have shown that health inequities from rural barriers to care extend to dermatologic diseases. Urban areas have 40 times the concentration of dermatologists per 100,000 residents as rural areas and measurable consequences result from this disparity. Melanoma Breslow depth increases by 0.6% for each 1 mile increase in distance traveled to a diagnosing dermatologist making the difference between patient prognosis & outcomes. This data was published in an Archives of Dermatology 2007 article by Dr Stizemberg et al. Full time rural dermatologists appear to be the only viable option in ensuring sustainable, quality dermatologic care in underserved areas, but recruiting rural physicians is challenging.

This new legislation is the Consolidated Appropriations Act “Creating Flexibility for Rural Training Track (RTT)”: the Act makes changes to the Medicare GME RTT program by eliminating a requirement for “separate accreditation” to be eligible for RTT funding, beginning October 1, 2022.

I believe that through this opportunity (of eliminating the need for separate accreditation) there is a lot of potential for Rural locations anywhere in the US to have residents from Dermatology without having to go through separate accreditation. Those residents/fellows would spend at least 50% of the training time at the rural area provided we can network with their local physicians in that specialty and they would spend less than 50% of the training time at Larkin (urban) facilities. This way we can cover any experiences that may not be available at the rural facilities and still meet all the ACGME requirements.

Each Urban hospital would then get a new 5 year window to build their RTT track. The Rural hospital would also get an increase in their CMS funded slots for the time the trainees spend in the Rural Hospital. This would come at zero cost to the rural area because if the rural rotation site is a non hospital provider site the urban hospital can claim the trainees in its cost report. This would be new funding directly from CMS.

Larkin Health System currently sponsors 500 residents and fellows in 37 different specialties, 315 of which are in areas of Statewide Supply/Demand Deficit. Larkin would love the opportunity to partner with Rural areas to expand these programs.

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## *A word from our President*

**Ralph Fiore II DO FAOCD**

*AOCD President 2023/2024*

My Fellow AOCD Members,

I cannot believe the year has flown by already. I sit down today to write my last AOCD newsletter as the President. I hope to see many of you at the upcoming meeting in Scottsdale, Arizona at The Westin Kierland Resort and Spa.

There are a few highlights of the meeting I would like to point out:

There will be a Student Meet and Greet with Program Directors on Thursday, April 11, at 5:30pm

Following the Meet and Greet, there will be a Welcome Happy Hour with our meeting Sponsors/Vendors at 6:30om

The Annual Business Meeting will take place on Friday evening, April 12, from 6:45-8:45pm.

The Foundation for Osteopathic Dermatology will have a reception that is free to attend and will take place on Saturday Evening, April 13, at 7pm.

In addition to the above events, the meeting is offering 26 hours of CME, with more hours available for poster judging and a special series on Sunday AM that fulfills many state specific CME requirements. In addition to the CME lectures, the AOBD will be available on-site both Friday and Saturday to answer any board certified members questions about the future of the Mohs exam, the OCC process, and the future of the board examination offered by the AOBD.

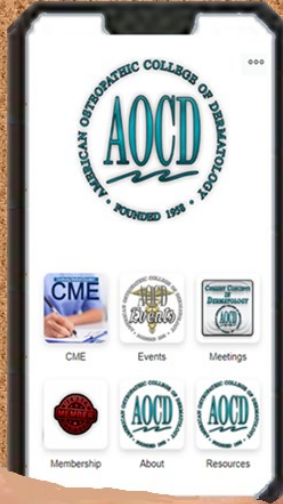
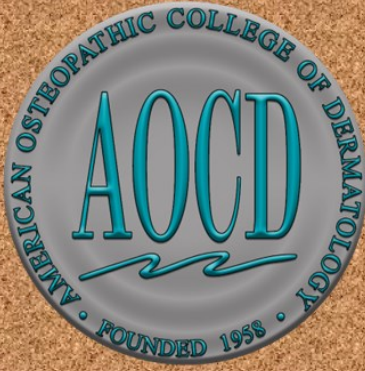
We will have an exhibit hall from Thursday April 11 through Saturday April 13. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about new medications, indications, and to catch up with old industry friends. I cannot stress enough the importance of having interactions with our sponsors at the exhibit hall and throughout the meeting. It is their support that allows us to continue to have our meetings continue at our current format. If we lose sponsorship at our meetings will have a very different look moving forward in both locations and the additional cost will be passed onto the members. Pharma is being asked to support over 150 meetings a year, if our members do not become more engaged with the companies it should not surprise the membership when they take that support elsewhere.

For those of you who are not available to attend, plan now to attend one of our next live in-person meetings. The next 2 meetings will be held February 17-23, 2025 @ the West Palm Beach Hilton and March 18-22, 2026 @ the Hilton Orlando.

In closing, I want to thank you again for letting me serve the AOCD for the past year as President. I will make one last appeal to renew your AOCD dues. It is only through paying members that we have the resources to continue to have the support staff that serves as the voice of the AOCD and its members to the AOA, that we are able to continue to offer a virtual meeting option when we can, and continuing being the voice of Osteopathic Dermatology.

Thank you again for allowing me to be your president

**Ralph Fiore II, DO, FAOCD**



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*From the desk of:*

John Wise

*Director of Events & Information Technology*

**In just a few days we will be seeing several of you at our 2024 annual meeting. Thank you for supporting the AOCD by attending. We hope we have a great event for you all as we are meeting out west.**

**The property allows you to visit several shopping and restaurants within walking distance. Also, there are several areas of interest just a short distance from the hotel. Be sure to take advantage of our preferred car service (Phoenix Professional Car Service). This is a veteran owned service and have been great to work with.**

**Expo Central will have 30 vendors, some new and some are our past friends. Please take time to stop by and talk with them. We have 6 major supporters. Abbvie, Novartis, Regeneron are Diamond supporters. Lilly, Janssen, and Amgen are Pearl Supporters. We would also like to thank Ginger McWilliams of Bristol Myers Squibb for helping out in a big way. Without these people and our other vendors, we could not have the meeting at the level we do. Remember to attend our product theaters for a great breakfast and lunch in a non-CME setting with current information from pharma. You will have the option of allowing vendors to scan your badge to obtain more product information. Don't forget happy hour in Expo Central on Thursday 6:00pm – 7:00pm.**

**Our annual AOCD meeting will be held Friday evening, with installation of new officers for 2024/2025. This is open to all and always a fun and informative time.**

**Please take time to stop in for a free drink and some stories with the foundation as they conclude their silent auction fund raiser on Saturday night. The silent auction will be going on daily in Expo Central with some great items up for grab. Dr. Conte has put his heart and soul into this event. The Foundation for Osteopathic Dermatology is here to provide for the enhancement of training in osteopathic dermatology.**

**We know you have a choice when you decide on who to support in obtaining your CME, but the AOCD is more than just a couple of meetings each year. When you join the AOCD you are joining a team that is always ready to help you with more than just education.**

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*From the desk of:*

**John Grogan**

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Greetings,

If you live in an area which experiences the full range of seasons, I hope winter is behind you and you are enjoying a mild spring. Speaking of spring, I look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming 2024 AOCD Spring Meeting, which is just around the corner. As you probably know, we will be meeting in Scottsdale, AZ, April 11-14. If you didn't have a chance to register online—no worries, onsite will be available each day of the conference, which will take place at the Westin Kierland.

I would like to remind and encourage all resident and student members to consider submitting an entry for the competitions open to them. Resident members of the AOCD are eligible to take part in the Foundation for Osteopathic Dermatology Roger C. Byrd, DO, FAOCD, FAAD Clinical Manuscript Competition. Student members are invited to participate in the 3rd Annual Foundation for Osteopathic Dermatology Ulbrich Circle Student Clinical Manuscript Competition.

These awards seek to recognize the entrants' manuscripts which are judged as the best in the competition for originality, degree of scientific contribution and thoughtfulness of presentation, with cash prizes going to the finalists. The deadline for entry in both competitions is October 1, 2024.

[Click here to visit the Foundation's website for complete details, rules and entry forms for these competitions.](#)

In addition, I hope all program directors will consider nominating one of their outstanding third-year residents for the James D. Bernard, DO, FAOCD AOCD Foundation Residency Leadership Award.

Applications will be entertained from program directors to nominate third-year dermatology resident physicians, who are members in good standing of the AOCD.

The nomination criteria are as follows:

- **Integrity:** Maintains the highest personal standards of honesty, fairness, consistency, and trust.
- **Respect:** Displays a professional persona and is open-minded and courteous to others.
- **Empowerment:** Provides knowledge, skills, authority and encouragement to fellow physicians and staff.

**Initiative:** Takes prompt action to avoid or resolve problems and conflict.

The deadline for nominations is July 1, 2024. [Click here for more information on this award.](#)

Best wishes for a happy spring and a great summer to follow!

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NY, NY

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Friday, April 12, 2024  
8:30-9:30am

**LOCATION**  
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*From the desk of:*

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*Education Coordinator*

This year has proven to be challenging so far. Our strengths have been tested and I believe we as a family have risen to the challenges we have faced. We continue to heal from the loss of loved ones. The elementary kids are back in part of the school and working diligently toward summer break. My youngest will be graduating with her AA degree in May and doesn't have a clue what she will do after that and that's ok. Summer is working through some health issues; I believe we are moving in the right direction finally. Justin is working a steady job and still helping the AOCD, which is nice. Tim will be celebrating his 29<sup>th</sup> anniversary at Hy-Vee this October. As for me, I keep telling myself to just keep going, things will be back to normal soon.

As for CME, I want to remind everyone the AOCD only reports AOCD hours to the AOA. If you attend another meeting, you will need to report those hours yourself. The link you will need is: <https://osteopathic.org/cme/cme-self-reporting/>. I am more than happy to add these hours to your CE Tracker account, just email the certificate to me.

The end of the CME cycle for the AOA and Board is December 31, 2024.

Specialty Board	Total Requirements	Category 1A and/or 1B Requirement	Special Notes
<b>Dermatology (AOBD)</b> Time-limited diplomates or non-time-limited diplomates voluntarily participating in OCC	60 credits of CME	20 Credits AOA Category 1A CME	All 20 Category 1A CME must be specialty-specific
<b>Dermatology (AOBD)</b> Non-time-limited diplomates not participating in OCC	120 credits of CME	20 credits must be AOA Category 1A CME	All 20 Category 1A CME must be specialty-specific

The AOBD will be holding their primary written exam on June 27, 2024. See [www.aobd.org](http://www.aobd.org) for further information.

The AOCD has several 1-hour lectures for purchase on their learning management system. If you are a member, log on to your account and view the lectures to gain a better understanding of some dynamic presentations given by top lecturers in their fields.

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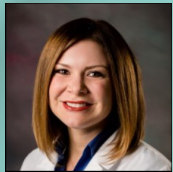


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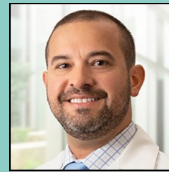
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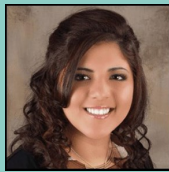
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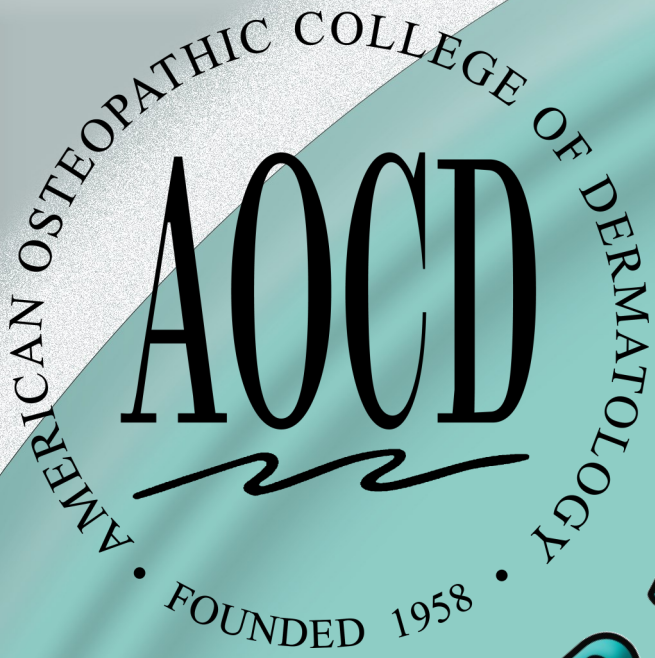
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THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
<p><b>10:00AM</b> Bracelet Making @OK Corral</p> <p><b>11:00AM</b> Bases Running Relay/Splatter Up! @ Kierland Ballpark</p> <p><b>12:00PM-1:00PM</b> Salt Scrub Creation* @OK Corral</p> <p><b>2:00PM - 4:00PM</b> Build-A-Buddy* Make your own stuffed animal @OK Corral</p> <p><b>3:00PM</b> Water Balloon Toss @Kierland Ballpark</p> <p><b>6:00PM - 8:00PM</b> Complimentary S'mores @OK Corral</p>	<p><b>10:00AM</b> Family Bingo @OK Corral</p> <p><b>11:00AM</b> Snake Feeding @Hotel Lobby</p> <p><b>12:00PM-1:00PM</b> Craft Time* @OK Corral</p> <p><b>2:00PM - 4:00PM</b> Tie-Dye T-shirt Creation* @ OK Corral</p> <p><b>3:00PM</b> Putting With a Twist @Adventure Pool</p> <p><b>6:00PM - 9:00PM</b> Kierland Kampfire Live Music &amp; Complimentary S'mores &amp; More @ Marshall's Outpost</p>	<p><b>10:00AM-12:00PM</b> Build-A-Buddy* @OK Corral</p> <p><b>1:00PM</b> Hula Hoop Contest @Adventure pool</p> <p><b>2:00PM - 4:00PM</b> Airbrush Tattoos* @Adventure Pool</p> <p><b>2:00PM</b> Water Balloon Toss @ Kierland Ballpark</p> <p><b>4:00PM</b> Whiffle Ball Game @ Kierland Ballpark</p> <p><b>6:00PM - 8:00PM</b> Complimentary S'mores @OK Corral</p>	
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