Organizers go back to the drawing board to meet today’s challenges while still delivering top-notch education. Here’s a preview of how optometric meetings will look and feel in 2021.

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6 ADVERSE REACTIONS
The following serious adverse reactions are described elsewhere in the labeling:
• Hypersensitivity [see Contraindications (4)]

6.1 Clinical Trials Experience
Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates observed in clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in the clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.

In five clinical trials of DED conducted with lifitegrast ophthalmic solution, 1401 patients received at least one dose of lifitegrast (1287 of which received lifitegrast 5%). The majority of patients (84%) had less than or equal to 3 months of treatment exposure. One-hundred-seventy patients were exposed to lifitegrast for approximately 12 months. The majority of the treated patients were female (77%). The most common adverse reactions reported in 5%-25% of patients were instillation-site irritation, dysgeusia, and reduced visual acuity.

Other adverse reactions reported in 1%-5% of the patients were blurred vision, conjunctival hyperemia, eye irritation, headache, increased lacrimation, eye discharge, eye discomfort, eye pruritus, and sinusitis.

6.2 Postmarketing Experience
The following adverse reactions have been identified during post-approval use of Xiidra. Because these reactions are reported voluntarily from a population of uncertain size, it is not always possible to reliably estimate their frequency or establish a causal relationship to drug exposure.

Rare serious cases of hypersensitivity, including anaphylactic reaction, bronchospasm, respiratory distress, pharyngeal edema, swollen tongue, urticaria, allergic conjunctivitis, dyspnea, angioedema, and allergic dermatitis have been reported. Eye swelling and rash have also been reported [see Contraindications (4)].

8 USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS
8.1 Pregnancy
Risk Summary
There are no available data on Xiidra use in pregnant women to inform any drug-associated risks. Intravenous (IV) administration of lifitegrast to pregnant rats, from premating through gestation day 17, did not produce teratogenicity at clinically relevant systemic exposures. Intravenous administration of lifitegrast to pregnant rabbits during organogenesis produced an increased incidence of omphalocele at the lowest dose tested, 3 mg/kg/day (400-fold the human plasma exposure at the recommended human ophthalmic dose [RHOD], based on the area under the curve [AUC] level). Since human systemic exposure to lifitegrast following ocular administration of Xiidra at the RHOD is low, the applicability of animal findings to the risk of Xiidra use in humans during pregnancy is unclear [see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3) in the full prescribing information].

Data
Animal Data
Lifitegrast administered daily by IV injection to rats, from premating through gestation day 17, caused an increase in mean pre-implantation loss and an increased incidence of several minor skeletal anomalies at 30 mg/kg/day, representing 5,400-fold the human plasma exposure at the RHOD of Xiidra, based on AUC. No teratogenicity was observed in the rat at 10 mg/kg/day (460-fold the human plasma exposure at the RHOD, based on AUC). In the rabbit, an increased incidence of omphalocele was observed at the lowest dose tested, 3 mg/kg/day (400-fold the human plasma exposure at the RHOD, based on AUC), when administered by IV injection daily from gestation days 7 through 19. A fetal no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) was not identified in the rabbit.

8.2 Lactation
Risk Summary
There are no data on the presence of lifitegrast in human milk, the effects on the breastfed infant, or the effects on milk production. However, systemic exposure to lifitegrast from ocular administration is low [see Clinical Pharmacology (12.3) in the full prescribing information]. The developmental and health benefits of breastfeeding should be considered, along with the mother’s clinical need for Xiidra and any potential adverse effects on the breastfed child from Xiidra.

8.4 Pediatric Use
Safety and efficacy in pediatric patients below the age of 17 years have not been established.

8.5 Geriatric Use
No overall differences in safety or effectiveness have been observed between elderly and younger adult patients.

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Welcome

CE Planners Rise to the Occasion

When a devastating pandemic threatened both lives and livelihoods, optometry’s educators met the challenge head-on.

Needless to say, 2020 was an unprecedented year. Each one of us has had to navigate through uncharted territories due to the long reach of COVID-19. Many doctors had to temporarily shutter their practices to routine visits in March and pivot to telemedicine and emergency care to bridge the gap. Re-openings in the spring and summer posed a new set of challenges as we worked diligently without a clear roadmap to ensure the safety of our staff and patients, while still providing the best care possible.

While our practices had to adapt, so too did our education meetings. From small, one-day local seminars to large events that attract thousands of attendees, event planners had to quickly shift their meetings to virtual formats and radically rethink months of planning that impacted everything from their exhibit halls to their lecture halls.

As the coming year approaches, it brings new opportunities, but also new unknowns. Many planners are working hard behind the scenes to ensure doctors will still be able to get the best CE possible, and most are coming up with contingency plans should conditions persist and continue to shelve in-person events. Despite the fact that some meetings, at least in the first quarter of the new year, will be held via a virtual platform, presenters have deftly adapted their lectures to keep attendees engaged, while still providing top-notch education.

It’s a testament to our profession that, despite the challenges we face, CE offerings are still robust. In 2021, ODs will have a vast array of CE choices, from seminars on the latest in glaucoma treatments put on by optometry colleges to myopia control workshops hosted by state optometric associations to specialty meetings centered on low vision therapy. Many meetings in 2021 are also adapting to the times by offering a hybrid format of both live and virtual instruction.

Despite the current meeting climate, the number of destination CE offerings will still be strong in 2021, including the return of some familiar favorites. Whether you want to hit the ski slopes between classes, stroll through the Tuscan countryside during a break or enjoy the ocean views of the Alaskan coast from the deck of a cruise ship, there are many destination CE options to consider.

Review of Optometry recognizes that a number of planners are still trying to button-up details for their 2021 meetings. Please keep in mind that many of the plans described here are tentative and may undergo retooling. A number of regular fixtures on the CE circuit were unable to commit to 2021 meetings at press time, but did express a desire to host events—you’ll find a list of these organizations at the conclusion of this publication. Please check with these groups throughout the year so you don’t miss out on a great opportunity.

In 2021, I have the pleasure to once again take the helm as education chair of the New Technologies & Treatments in Eye Care series. The hallmark of these meetings is the collegial atmosphere between speakers and attendees, who can learn in a relaxed, no-pressure atmosphere. The other presenters and I will once again offer clinically proven tips from our years of experience and are also eager to hear about your own insights and thoughts. The ‘New Tech’ series will be all virtual in 2021 to ensure everyone has access without anxiety.

Whether you want to learn about the latest in OCT-A as a virtual attendee or get hands-on instruction fitting scleral lenses, 2021 offers you a wide range of CE opportunities.

We hope this annual supplement to Review of Optometry will help shape your CE plans for the coming year. I look forward to hopefully seeing you at a meeting in 2021!

—Paul Karpecki, OD
Chief Clinical Editor
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In March 2020, optometrist Mile Brujic of Bowling Green, Ohio, realized he might have a problem. At the time, COVID-19 was causing mass closures and lockdowns worldwide, and most professional optometric meetings that had been planned long in advance were cancelling seemingly every day. As states began enforcing strict social distancing mandates and sorting through their patchwork regulation umbrellas, live events were no longer permitted. Plans affecting the livelihoods of thousands went up in smoke.

Dr. Brujic, who co-owns an optometric education meeting organization that focuses on optometry students and emerging practitioners, had several events already scheduled in the spring of 2020, and was forced to make a decision whether to cancel the events or shift quickly to a virtual format.

“We had to immediately adapt very early on, since no one was doing in-person meetings in March, April and May, so it was a natural transition for us to move to a Zoom platform.”

And so began the profession’s abrupt about-face from in-person to online events, with barely any playbook to draw from.

With the reality that many optometric CE meetings will still be virtual for at least the first quarter of 2021 and offering hybrid experiences thereafter, educators continue adapting their presentations to online learning formats. Likewise, virtual meeting attendees will have a different educational experience, as the traditional, in-person lecture hall format will be replaced by ODs viewing presentations from their home office computer screen.

Although various forms of virtual CE have been available to optometrists for more than two decades, the global pandemic has accelerated the learning curve in this area, for both educators and attendees,” says Joseph Pizzimenti, OD, a professor at the Rosenberg School of Optometry University of the Incarnate Word.

THE PROFESSION ADAPTS

Even though the pandemic put in-person events on ice for a while, that of course didn’t change the need for optometrists to earn CE credits to keep their licensure. COPE swiftly announced a temporary modification that made interactive online formats eligible for live CE credit through the end of 2020, and recently extended it through

Tales From the VIRTUAL CE MAKEOVER

The profession quickly pivoted to online events in 2020. With that format remaining for now, experts offer tips on how to make the most of remote education.

By Jane Cole, Contributing Editor

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In 2020, many meetings had to pivot to online formats, which posed some initial challenges, but also reaped a few unexpected benefits. The American Academy of Optometry switched to a virtual platform, dubbed “Academy 2020 At Home,” and managed to pack in everything you’d expect from a typical live meeting, including lectures, symposia and its annual plenary session, but even social events, too. The Academy kept its originally planned kick-off concert in the lineup and broadcasted it online. Familiar staples like alumni receptions also happened, albeit virtually.

In switching to a 100% remote experience, the Academy was able to extend its CE offerings from the typical few days to several weeks, to give attendees more flexibility to work the events into their existing work schedules instead of completely pre-empting them. The Academy was also able to deliver nearly 300 hours of CE, and for the first time, participants were able to earn up to 80 credit hours. Previously, the Academy’s traditional, in-person meetings limited attendees to a maximum of 34 total CE credit hours.

The virtual format also enabled the Academy to broaden its educational reach, says Pete Scott, chief executive officer of the American Academy of Optometry. “Typically, we only have people attend from 15 countries, but the virtual environment allowed us to grow our audience to include over 55 countries.

Other large meetings had to rethink their live formats as well. Vision Expo had to put aside much-anticipated plans for an upgrade to its events and scrap the 2020 meetings altogether. In April, out of an abundance of caution, the AOA made the decision to cancel the in-person elements of Optometry’s Meeting. By June, it changed to what it called a Virtual Learning Livecast, which ran over three days and offered more than 60 live courses.

In conjunction with the virtual annual meeting, the House of Delegates also held a special online session that included the AOA Board of Trustees election and installation, and in September, the AOA went virtual for AOA on Capitol Hill, when more than 750 participants took to Zoom for this large, annual advocacy event.

In short: necessity is the mother of invention, and organizers delivered under tough circumstances. Looking ahead, the AOA says it’s taking lessons learned in 2020 to architect its annual meeting in Anaheim, scheduled June 24-26, 2021, as a live event.

A recent survey by Jobson Optical Research finds eyecare practitioners divided on whether or not traditional elements of trade shows and in-person education will ever return to normal.

June 30, 2021 (See “The ‘Rules’ of Virtual Learning”).

The “Rules” of Virtual Learning

Due to continued statewide restrictions and CDC guidelines, COPE extended the temporary rule modification to allow COPE administrators and providers to present CE activities through an interactive online format and allocate COPE CE credit through June 30, 2021.

To be considered interactive, attendees must be able to have immediate communication with the instructor through options such as live webinars and videoconferencing. The activity can only be presented at one specified time; once it has taken place, the learners may no longer participate in that activity. COPE administrators/providers must have a way to confirm the learners’ attendance for every course before issuing certificates of attendance. Post-course tests are not required for this modified type of activity.

In addition to COPE’s standard requirements for CE activities, administrators offering interactive distance-learning CE activities for live credit must provide:

- A mechanism for real-time participant interaction with instructors (e.g., a chat function).
- Participant access to technical assistance throughout the activity.
- No “commercial breaks” or embedded advertising within the CE activities. However, acknowledgement of commercial support is permitted, and promotional content is allowed before or after the education as long as viewing it is not be required to receive CE credit.
- A means of verifying the learners that participated in the activity. Examples include choosing a platform that generates a list of attendees, asking all attendees to use their full name as their screen name and asking short questions periodically during the presentation using the chat function to track their attendance throughout the course.

Source: Association of Regulatory Boards of Optometry
RULES OF ENGAGEMENT
Keeping someone entertained or engaged on a computer screen is more challenging compared with a real-life meeting setting, explains Stephanie Woo, OD, of Lake Havasu City, AZ. “When someone is standing in front of you, and you can see them live, it brings a different type of energy. Virtual presentations are great and a safer option during this time, but it doesn’t fully replace a live presentation.”

Even so, just because a CE meeting is online doesn’t mean hands-on workshops need to be axed. Presenters can still show proper technique and offer advice in real-time or through pre-recorded video instruction, suggests Paul Karpecki, OD, of Lexington, KY. For example, if Dr. Karpecki pre-records a video on punctal occlusion or another technique, he will explain what he’s doing every step of the way during a virtual meeting, so audience members will feel like they are right there at the slit lamp with him.

“We get as close as we can without being able to put it in their hands,” Dr. Karpecki explains.

Dr. Brujic’s meeting organization also found a work-around for hands-on instruction for online events. He and his lecturers will provide a 45-minute clinical presentation online and then attendees—who are usually on campus—will rotate into different rooms and stations where they will get actual experience using various instruments described in the clinical sessions.

KEEP IT INTERACTIVE
In order for a virtual CE meeting to get live credit under the temporary COPE ruling, attendees must be able to have immediate interaction with the instructor.

Dr. Woo has incorporated more surveys and polls during her presentations to keep her sessions interactive. She also has a box of questions that she answers live during the event to engage virtual attendees.

“Participation is important to keep the audience engaged and fully absorbed in the material at hand. Some participants learn just by watching and listening, but others will need different forms of interaction to engage fully,” she explains.

Several of the virtual meeting platforms, including Zoom, have features that allow doctors to make their presentations interactive without a lot of work, such as by employing the chat box function, Dr. Brujic adds.

“If I’m talking about anterior segment OCT and clinical applications for disease diagnosis management and specialty lenses, I will ask, ‘How many people in the audience have anterior segment OCT capabilities?’” Dr. Brujic will then ask the virtual audience members to type their response in the chat box. “This forces feedback from the attendees and helps them stay engaged in the discussion.”

Top Six Presenter Tips
Dr. Pizzimenti offers these pearls on how he adapted his lecture approach to best suit the virtual medium:

1. Learn about the web-based platform being used for the course/meeting. “Becoming familiar with the platform ahead of time helps to avoid issues later on,” he says.
2. Pre-recording the lecture is a great way to deliver the course, but the presenter needs to remain active during the session; for instance, by inviting the audience to type in questions using a Q&A or chat widget and responding in real-time.
3. Reserve at least five minutes at the back end of the presentation to engage in live Q&A, building on the chat discussion that already took place.
4. Lectures should start on time and not run late; as there may be another course that follows.
5. Speak slowly and distinctly through a high-quality microphone when lecturing live or pre-recording.
6. Also, the speaker should turn off the video of their “talking head” so as not to distract the audience. Instead, attendees should just see the presenter’s headshot and name.

Gone—for now—are sights like these, as education has shifted to virtual formats. Even when in-person meetings return, social distancing will be a key part of the effort to ensure safety and confidence.
Also, just because you’re not in a lecture hall doesn’t mean you should skimp on the visuals, which can enhance engagement in a virtual format, Dr. Brujic adds. “You want to make it as clinically real for people on the other side of the presentation as possible.” If your live presentation would include fundus photos or anterior segment videos, he makes sure to incorporate them into his virtual presentation as well.

Dr. Karpecki was recently part of a webinar on blepharitis where attendees could ask questions in real-time, which resulted in over 30 queries from audience members. “The attendees felt like they were part of the meeting, and we were able to achieve this in a virtual setting.”

Questions are a critical part of online meetings, Dr. Karpecki explains, and the back-and-forth discussions between presenters and audience members keep meetings energized.

“Doctors are attending virtual meetings from the comfort of their homes, but the questions asked in real-time and interactivity with presenters allows them to feel like they are really right there beside us. As soon as they ask a question, it’s typically brought directly into the lecture, which we couldn’t do quite as well during a live meeting, but in a virtual setting, we can time the answer to when we are covering a specific topic. CE is able to achieve a lot in a virtual space,” Dr. Karpecki says.

Of course, glitches do occur. Not all attendees are well-versed in the online platform being used for the event. “It’s very easy to assume everyone understands the technology, but there may be people who haven’t used these higher-tech platforms,” Dr. Brujic says.

Before presenters start their lectures, it’s a good rule of thumb to provide appropriate guidance to attendees, such as explaining the different ways they can view the speakers, how to use the chat box, and whether the lecture will incorporate feedback through the Q&A box.

ATTENDEES SHOULD BE “ALL IN”

Virtual meetings are a completely different experience than attending a live meeting and sitting in an auditorium with other doctors and the lecturer is on stage. “My recommendation for attendees to get the most out of their virtual continuing education is to treat it like a professional meeting,” Dr. Brujic says. “Don’t just slouch on the couch and have the TV on in the background. Really sit down and commit to the entire CE presentation, and treat it like you’re there live and give the meeting the attention and respect it deserves. I think the attendee gets the most out of it when that happens.”

Echoes Dr. Woo, “Commit to the meeting as if you were actually at the presentation live. If you are watching TV or on your phone or doing other things while simultaneously watching a virtual meeting, you won’t be able to fully absorb the information as you would if you were sitting in a room with the presenter.”

For optometrists who aren’t eager to raise their hands with questions at live lectures, virtual meetings may facilitate interactivity. “I would encourage attendees not to be shy about typing questions into the chat or Q&A box, because they can always ask questions anonymously. Even if you’re not one who raises your hand at in-person meetings, this may be a more encouraging format,” Dr. Brujic says.

His final piece of advice to virtual attendees: “Make sure you do your due diligence and don’t get yourself into too much of a relaxed environment. Treat the virtual meeting as if you were in a professional setting and engage as much as you can.”

COPE Tips for Lecture Success

Doing a lecture yourself? Whether planning your first virtual talk or trying to fine-tune your online presentation to engage attendees, COPE offers these best-practice tips:

For CE providers:

1. Choose a virtual platform that can accommodate your group size and help you meet your educational goals. Will you use video? Will you have small groups or breakouts? Do you need polling features?

2. If you’re using a webinar/virtual platform that is new to you, explore its features using the company’s tutorials and seek guidance from its support staff.

3. Test in advance. Test any aspect of the technology that you plan to use, such as video, sound, recording, and polling features.

4. Provide support to remote faculty who are connecting, recording, using webcams, etc. Plan a briefing before the session to confirm all faculty can connect.

5. Identify a “meeting leader” who will facilitate questions and make sure that your meeting stays on topic and on time.

6. Avoid background noise. You can mute attendees or encourage them to mute themselves to ensure that learners and faculty have clear lines of audio communication.

7. Stay on schedule. This will ensure that you cover your full agenda while remaining respectful of everyone’s time.

For instructors:

1. Audio/video connection:
   • Circulate meeting guidelines if possible.
   • Join by computer even if just for audio.
   • Instruct participants not to join by both video and phone.
   • Encourage use of headsets.
   • Mute when not speaking.

2. On the webinar:
   • Use the chat function.
   • Use polling functions or services to facilitate interactivity.
   • Use the pointer or pen/highlighter.
   • Have more than one “host” to ensure a back-up in case of connectivity issues.
   • Limit didactic time and expand discussion time/Q&A.

Source: Association of Regulatory Boards of Optometry

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Jan. 7-10, Tahlequah, OK
January Advanced Procedures
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Oklahoma College of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Nathan Lightbrier, Doug Penisten, Richard Castillo, Jeff Miller
CE HOURS: 32
LOCATION: Oklahoma College of Optometry Academic Wing, 1001 N Grand Ave.
CONTACT: Callie McAtee
mcateec@nsuok.edu
918-316-3602
optometry.nsuok.edu/continuing-education/schedule-of-events/
advanced-procedures

Jan. 8-10, Scottsdale, AZ
AZOA Bronstein Contact Lens & Cornea Seminar
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Arizona Optometric Assn.
CE HOURS: 17
LOCATION: Hilton Scottsdale Resort & Villas, 6333 N Scottsdale Rd.
CONTACT: Kate Diedrickson
kate@azoa.org
www.azoa.org/connect

Jan. 9, Little Rock, AR
2021 Coding Update
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Arkansas Optometric Association
KEY FACULTY: John McGreal
CE HOURS: 4
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Debbie Henley
aroa@arkansasoptometric.org
501-661-7675
arkansasoptometric.org/conventions.html

Jan. 9-10, Davie, FL
Triod and Gold Coast Conference
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: Triod and Gold Coast

Jan. 10-12, Little Rock, AR
Island Eyes Conference
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Pacific University College of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Justin Schweitzer, Maria Walker, Kellen Kashiwa, JP Lowery, John Nolan
CE HOURS: 24
LOCATION: Zoom webinar over the course of two weekends
CONTACT: Michalena “Miki” Bucking
mikibucking@pacificu.edu
503-352-2985
pacificuniversityregfox.com/virtual-island-eyes

Jan. 12, New York City
SUNY Applied Basic Science Clinical Practice Series
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: SUNY College of Optometry
CE HOURS: 2
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Betsy Torres
ce@sunyopt.edu
212-938-5830
www.sunyopt.edu/cpe

Jan. 13, New York City
* New York City
Indiana Optometry Online CE Program
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Indiana Optometric Association
KEY FACULTY: Blair Lonsberry
CE HOURS: 2
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Bridget Sims
bjsims@ioa.org
317-237-3560
www.ioa.org

Jan. 15-23, New York City
Island Eyes Conference
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Pacific University College of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Justin Schweitzer, Maria Walker, Kellen Kashiwa, JP Lowery, John Nolan
CE HOURS: 24
LOCATION: Zoom webinar over the course of two weekends
CONTACT: Michalena “Miki” Bucking
mikibucking@pacificu.edu
503-352-2985
pacificuniversityregfox.com/virtual-island-eyes

Jan. 16-18, Berkeley, CA
Berkeley Practicum 2021
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: UC Berkeley School of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Suzanne Fleiszig, Arthur Reingold, Edward Chu, Stephanie Woo, Jeffrey Burack, Seanna Grob
CE HOURS: 12
LOCATION: Zoom webinar
CONTACT: Lyudmila Martello
optoce@berkeley.edu
510-289-3315
optometry.berkeley.edu/continuing-education/berkeley-practicum

Jan. 16-18, Berkeley, CA
Kraskin Invitational Skeffington Symposium on Vision
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Optometric Extension Program Foundation
CE HOURS: 18
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Jeffrey Kraskin
jlkarkin@rcn.com; 202-363-4450
www.skeffingtonsymposium.org

Jan. 21-22, Berkeley, CA
Global Specialty Lens Symposium
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Pentavision
KEY FACULTY: Jason Nichols, Ed Bennett, Patrick Caroline, Karen DeLoss, Lynette Johns, Eef van der Worp
CE HOURS: 12
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Maureen Trusky
maureen.trusky@pentavisionmedia.com
215-514-3729
www.gslsymposium.com

Jan. 23, Berkeley, CA
Optometric Glaucoma Symposium
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Glaucoma Research and Education Group
KEY FACULTY: Andrew Iwach, Shan Lin, Terri Pickering, Sunita Radhakrishnan
CE HOURS: 3
LOCATION: Virtual meeting
CONTACT: Glaucoma Research and Education Group; 415-986-0835
cme@glaucomasf.com
odmtg6.eventbrite.com

EDUCATION TOPICS

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JANUARY 2021 EVENTS

Jan. 24, Fullerton, CA  
MBKU Advances in Eye Care  
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual  
HOST: Marshall B. Ketchum University Southern California College of Optometry & UCLA Stein-Doheny Eye Institute  
CE HOURS: 8  
LOCATION: MBKU, SCCO, 2575 Yorba Linda Blvd.  
CONTACT: Bonnie Dellatorre  
ce@ketchum.edu  
714-449-7495  
www.ketchum.edu/ce

Jan. 24  
MSO 2021 Winter CE Series  
FORMAT: virtual  
HOST: Massachusetts Society of Optometrists  
KEY FACULTY: Murray Fingeret, Blair Lonsberry  
CE HOURS: 4  
LOCATION: online  
CONTACT: Jessica Bertrand  
jessica@maoptometry.org  
508-875-7900  
massachusetts.aoa.org

Jan. 31, Richmond, VA  
Virginia Optometric Association One-Day CE  
FORMAT: in person  
HOST: Virginia Optometric Association  
KEY FACULTY: James Fanelli, Joseph Iuorno  
CE HOURS: 5  
LOCATION: Hilton Short Pump, 12042 West Broad St.  
CONTACT: Sarah Keeney  
office@thevoa.org  
804-643-0309  
www.thevoa.org

Jan. 31, * New York City  
SUNY Oral Pharmaceutical & Systemic Disease  
FORMAT: virtual  
HOST: SUNY College of Optometry  
CE HOURS: 6  
LOCATION: online  
CONTACT: Betsy Torres  
ce@sunyopt.edu  
212-938-5830  
www.sunyopt.edu/cpe

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FORMAT: virtual  
HOST: Massachusetts Society of Optometrists  
KEY FACULTY: James Thimons, Joseph Stamm  
CE HOURS: 4  
LOCATION: online  
CONTACT: Jessica Bertrand  
jessica@maoptometry.org  
508-875-7900  
massachusetts.aoa.org

Jan. or Feb., dates TBD, Oklahoma City, OK  
PRK Certification Course  
FORMAT: in-person  
HOST: OK College of Optometry  
KEY FACULTY: Dawn Holsted, Joel Sturm, Brad Britton, Nate Lighthizer  
CE HOURS: 10  
LOCATION: nJoy Vision Oklahoma City, 10900 Hefner Pointe Dr., Ste. 101  
CONTACT: Callie McAtee  
mcateec@nsuok.edu; 918-316-3602  
optometry.nsuok.edu/continuing-education/schedule-of-events

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**FEBRUARY 2021 EVENTS**

**Feb. 3-5, Vail, CO**  
Winter Ophthalmic Summit  
FORMAT: in-person  
HOST: Tarr Trek  
KEY FACULTY: Ron Melton, Randall Thomas  
CE HOURS: 12  
LOCATION: Sonnenalp Hotel Vail, 20 Vail Rd.  
CONTACT: Tarr Trek  
tarrtrek2020@gmail.com  
865-321-9338  
www.tarrtrek.com

**Feb. 4-5, Carmel, IN**  
Indiana Optometry's Winter Seminar  
FORMAT: in-person  
HOST: Indiana Optometric Association  
CE HOURS: 7  
LOCATION: Ritz Charles  
12156 N. Meridian St.  
CONTACT: Bridget Sims  
blsims@ioa.org; 317-237-3560  
www.ioa.org

**Feb. 10, Carmel, IN**  
Indiana Optometry's Winter Seminar  
FORMAT: in-person  
HOST: Indiana Optometric Association  
CE HOURS: 7  
LOCATION: Ritz Charles  
12156 N. Meridian St.  
CONTACT: Bridget Sims  
blsims@ioa.org; 317-237-3560  
www.ioa.org

**Feb. 10,** New York City  
SUNY Applied Basic Science Clinical Practice Series  
FORMAT: virtual  
HOST: SUNY College of Optometry  
CE HOURS: 2  
LOCATION: online  
CONTACT: Betsy Torres  
ce@sunyopt.edu  
212-938-5830  
www.sunyopt.edu/cpe

**Feb. 11, Portland, OR**  
Third Party/Practice Mgmt. Seminar  
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual  
HOST: Oregon Optometric Physicians Association  
KEY FACULTY: Jim Hale, Harvey Richman, Crystal Lewandowski, Derek Louie, Shelley Sneed, Mary Schmidt  
CE HOURS: total: 14, max. per OD: 10  
LOCATION: Embassy Suites, Portland Airport, 7900 NE 92nd Ave.  
CONTACT: Lynne Olson  
lynne@oregonoptometry.org  
800-922-2045  
oopa.memberclicks.net/education

**Feb. 12-13, Portland, OR**  
Heart of America Eye Care Congress  
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual  
HOST: Heart of America Eye Care Congress  
KEY FACULTY: Leo Semes, Christopher Wolfe, Leonid Skorin, Carlo Pelino, Lynn Lawrence  
CE HOURS: total: 63, max. per OD: 17  
LOCATION: Westin Crown Center Kansas City, 1 E. Pershing Rd.  
CONTACT: Steve Miller  
publicity@hoaecc.org  
402-649-0157  
www.hoaecc.org

**Feb. 12-15,** Bahamas Cruise  
AEA Cruises Bahamas & Perfect Day Cruise  
FORMAT: in-person  
HOST: AEA Cruises  
CE HOURS: 4  
LOCATION: Aboard Royal Caribbean Mariner of the Seas  
CONTACT: Marge McGrath  
aacruises@aol.com  
773-594-9866  
optometriccruiseseminars.com

**Feb. 13-14**  
Palm Beach Winter Seminar  
FORMAT: virtual  
HOST: Palm Beach County Optometric Association  
KEY FACULTY: April Jasper, Carl Spear, Jessica Steen, Mark Milner  
CE HOURS: 16  
LOCATION: online  
CONTACT: PBWS  
pbwwinterseminar@gmail.com  
561-477-3524  
www.conftrac.com/pbws21

**Feb. 18-20,** Miami  
EastWest Destinations Eye Conference  
FORMAT: in-person  
HOST: EastWest Eye Conference  
KEY FACULTY: Brandon Cho, Timothy Fries, San San Cooley, Jason Miller, Marcia Hoepf, David Anderson  
CE HOURS: 10  
LOCATION: Confirentante Hyatt Hotel, 4041 Collins Ave.  
CONTACT: Jordan Quickel  
jquickel@ooa.org  
614-781-0708  
www.eastwestdestinations.com

**Feb. 20-27,** Playa Mujeres, Mexico  
Tropical CE Playa Mujeres 2021  
FORMAT: in-person  
HOST: Stuart Autry  
KEY FACULTY: Eric Schmidt, Mark Dunbar  
CE HOURS: 20  
LOCATION: Secrets – Playa Mujeres Ave., Bonampak Lt1  
CONTACT: Brandi Thorpe  
bthorpe@tropicalce.com  
281-979-5418  
tropicalce.com

**EDUCATION TOPICS**

- Allergy
- Amblyopia
- Binocular vision
- Contact lenses
- Cornea/conjunctiva
- Dry eye
- Diabetes
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Feb. 21, * New York City
SUNY Glaucoma Symposium
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: SUNY College of Optometry
CE HOURS: 6
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Betsy Torres
cse@sunyopt.edu
212-938-5830
www.sunyopt.edu/cpe

Feb. 21, Tahlequah, OK
Five-State Student Symposium
FORMAT: likely virtual
HOST: OK College of Optometry
CE HOURS: 6 (pending approval)
Location: virtual if permitted by COPE; if in-person, Northeastern State University Center, 600 N. Grand Ave
CONTACT: Callie McAtee
mcateec@nsuok.edu
918-316-3602
optometry.nsuok.edu/continuing-education/schedule-of-events/5-state-symposium

Feb. 21*
COVID Combat Conference
Virtual Summit
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Review Education Group
KEY FACULTY: Paul Karpecki
CE HOURS: 8
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com

Feb. 27–March 6, Western Caribbean Cruise
AEA Cruises Western Caribbean
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: AEA Cruises
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: the Enchanted Princess
CONTACT: Marge McGrath
aeacruises@aol.com
773-594-9866
optometriccruiseseminars.com

Feb. 27, Fullerton, CA
MBKU Glaucoma Forum
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: MBKU, SCCO
CE HOURS: 8
LOCATION: Marshall B. Ketchum University, 2575 Yorba Linda Blvd.
CONTACT: Bonnie Delligatore
cce@ketchum.edu
714-449-7495
www.ketchum.edu/ce

Feb. 28
Optowest
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: California Optometric Assn.
CE HOURS: 6
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: contact@coavision.org
www.coavision.org

Feb. 28–Mar. 5, Park City, Utah
EyeSki Conference
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: James Fanelli, Joseph Pizzimenti
KEY FACULTY: Nate Lighthizer, Mohammad Rafieetary, Cecelia Koetting, Leonard Messner, James Fanelli, Joseph Pizzimenti
CE HOURS: 20
LOCATION: Shadow Ridge Conference Center
CONTACT: James Fanelli
advancedtechconferences@gmail.com
910-452-7225
www.eyeskiutah.com

Heart of America Celebrates its Diamond Anniversary

Join in the festivities as the long-standing Heart of America Eye Care Conference (HOAECC) marks its 60th Anniversary Diamond event. This year’s conference, which will be held in Kansas City, MO, Feb. 12-14, will offer a total of 63 CE credit hours, and attendees can earn up to 17 continuing education credits during the course of the meeting.

The event will be held in the Westin Crown Center Kansas City, and presenters will include Leo Semes, Christopher Wolfe, Leonid Skorin, Carlo Pelino, and Lynn Lawrence.

Offering flexibility for attendees, the HOAECC meeting will be a hybrid event, with both in-person and virtual learning opportunities. Registration is already open, and in-person attendance will be on a first-come, first-served basis, with early-bird pricing offered to those who register before December 31.

With an eye on safety, classrooms will be capped at 50% capacity to proactively allow for social distancing. Should local regulations limit the number of attendees beyond the cap at any time, live registration may be converted to virtual registration, depending on registration timing.

The meeting topics will include amblyopia, binocular vision, contact lenses, diabetes, eyelid/adnexal disease, glaucoma, neuro-ophthalmic disorders, optical dispensing, pediatric eye care, pharmacology, retinal disorders, refractive surgery, systemic disease, technology and uveitis.

“If you feel more comfortable learning from home, you may register to take COPE-approved courses virtually. Looking forward to seeing you in person or at least in spirit at the Heart!” says HOAECC spokesman Steve Miller, OD. For more information, contact Dr. Miller at publicity@hoaecc.org, 402-649-0157, or go to www.hoaecc.org.

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For those eye care practitioners feeling overwhelmed or hoping for some guidance, the long-running New Technologies & Treatments in Eye Care meeting series is here to help fill in the gaps and give attendees valuable information and skills they can incorporate into their own practices.

Are you wondering if you should invest in the latest OCT-A technology? Is a dry eye specialty on your horizon, but you’re not sure where to start? Or have you been reading about the newer glaucoma therapies, but aren’t sure whether you should recommend them to your POAG patients? If so, let conference chair Paul Karpecki, OD, and other experts in the profession be your personal guides. This meeting series prides itself on the conversational tone and easy back-and-forth that develops between lecturers and attendees.

As the education landscape has changed in response to the pandemic, the New Tech meetings for 2021 will be held in virtual formats, but that doesn’t mean you won’t get the same experience as you would if you were an audience member at one of its typical in-person events.

“Attendees can still expect very practical, interactive and speaker approachable programs,” Dr. Karpecki says. “We’ve just found a way to carry over the hallmarks of our live meetings to a virtual format.”

In 2021, meetings will include even more moderator-and-panel sessions, and lively discussions, especially in the area of new pharmaceutical agents and technologies.

“There are so many new pharmaceutical agents and technologies that have been approved recently, and this has really lent itself to a much more ’New Tech and Treatments’ approach, especially with new drugs,” Dr. Karpecki says. Some of these new therapies can help treat conditions such as blepharitis, ptosis and neuro-ophthalmic disorders, which can have systemic tie-ins.

“The New Tech meetings will offer practical and clinical approaches to these newer therapeutics so doctors can become more comfortable with these new drugs and disease states,” Dr. Karpecki explains.

The New Technologies & Treatments in Eye Care meeting series will consist of two virtual meetings, one each in the spring and summer: March 19-20 and June 11-12. Attendees will be able to earn 12 CE credits during each meeting.

For more information, contact reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com.
MARCH 1-3, PARK CITY, UTAH

Peel Back the Layers at All Things OCT

Are you interested in mastering everything there is to know about OCT, OCT-A and other advanced imaging devices? Then head to Park City, Utah, March 1-3, for the 4th annual All Things OCT and Multimodal Diagnostics meeting where the emphasis will be on clinical applications of these technologies.

Attendees will be able to earn up to 14 hours of CE credit from lectures, courses and hands-on workshops. This meeting-within-a-meeting takes place during the long-running EyeSki conference, which runs February 28 to March 5.

All Things OCT was the first COPE-approved optometry conference dedicated solely to breakthrough imaging technology that has dramatically changed the way clinicians practice, explains program co-chair Joseph Pizzimenti, OD. “We are looking forward to delivering another innovative program that focuses on OCT/OCT-A principles, scan selection, interpretation and clinical application,” Dr. Pizzimenti says.

In learning more about these technologies, attendees will gain valuable, clinically relevant knowledge about a variety of key topics, including anterior segment, retina, glaucoma and neuro eye disease.

For more information or to register, go to allthingsoct.com.

LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Jessica Bertrand
jessica@maoptometry.org
508-875-7900
massachusetts.aoa.org
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March 9-12, New York City
SUNY Residents’ Week Presentation
Format: virtual
HOST: SUNY College of Optometry
CE HOURS: Total: 41, per OD: 23
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Betsy Torres
ce@sunyopt.edu
212-938-5830
www.sunyopt.edu/cpe
AL FL WV WI CA CO CT DC DE IL IL ME MT NJ NY NH PA RI SD UT VA

March 12-14, Birmingham, AL
Primary Eye Care Update
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: UAB educators
CE HOURS: 18
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Kathryn Trammell
ktram@uab.edu
205-934-5701
uab.edu/optometry/ce

March 13, Glendale, AZ
AAO Arizona Chapter Spring Meeting
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Arizona Chapter, American Academy of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Damian Berezovsky, Florencio Yeh, Robert Fintelmann
CE HOURS: 6
LOCATION: Midwestern University Arizona College of Optometry
19555 N 59th Ave.
CONTACT: Brianna Ryff
arizona.aaopt@gmail.com

March 13-14
Ocular Therapeutics in Cancun
Virtual CE Program
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Ocular Therapeutics
KEY FACULTY: Anthony Litwak, Jim Thimons
CE HOURS: 8
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Anthony Litwak
info@otce.net
443-895-1682
www.otce.net

March 13-20, Caribbean Cruise
AEA Cruises Tropical Caribbean
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: AEA Cruises
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: Aboard Holland America Nieuw Amsterdam
CONTACT: Marge McGrath
aeacruises@aol.com
773-594-9866
optometriccruiseseminars.com

March 19-20, Howey-in-the-Hills, FL
AAO Florida Chapter Educational Retreat
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Florida Chapter of the American Academy of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Brad Sutton, April Jasper
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: Mission Inn Resort and Club
10400 Country Rd. 48
CONTACT: Art Young
eyeguy4123@msn.com
601-946-2174
DE, IN, PH, SD

March 19-20
New Technologies & Treatments in Eye Care Spring Virtual Conference
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Review Education Group
KEY FACULTY: Paul Karpecki
CE HOURS: 12
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com

MARCH 2021 EVENTS

Predict Back the Layers at All Things OCT

This 52-year-old Hispanic male with dyslipidemia, hypertension and diabetes presented with diabetic macular edema. OCT-A revealed enlargement of the foveal avascular zone and capillary irregularities suggestive of ischemia.

For more information or to register, go to allthingsoct.com.

* dates subject to change
March 20-21, Fullerton, CA
MBKU Ocular Disease: Part One
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: Marshall B. Ketchum University, SCCO
CE HOURS: 16
LOCATION: Marshall B. Ketchum University, 2575 Yorba Linda Blvd.
CONTACT: Bonnie Dellatorre
ce@ketchum.edu
714-449-7495
www.ketchum.edu/ce

March 26-27
Envision Virtual Spring
Conference
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Envision University
CE HOURS: total: 40, maximum per OD: 16
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Michael Epp
michael.epp@envisionus.com
316-440-1515
www.envisionconference.org

March 26-28, Greenville, SC
SCOPA Spring Meeting
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: South Carolina Optometric Physicians Association
KEY FACULTY: Felix Barker, Katie Davis, Jason Duncan, Eric Schmidt
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: Westin Poinsett
120 S. Main St.
CONTACT: Jackie Rivers
j rivers@sceyedoctors.com
803-799-6721
www.sceyedoctors.com

March 25-27, * Oklahoma City, OK
OAOP Vision Summit
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Oklahoma Association of Optometric Physicians
KEY FACULTY: Ron Melton, Randall Thomas
CE HOURS: 35
LOCATION: If in-person, Embassy Suites Norman Hotel,
2501 Conference Dr.
CONTACT: oaop@oaop.org
405-524-1075
oklahoma.aoa.org

*Approval pending
Review Education Group partners with Salus University for those ODs who are licensed in states that require university credit.
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**NAVIGATING THIS GUIDE:** The content of this publication reflects the plans and commitments of event organizers as of December 2020. Given the uncertainty at press time about safety measures surrounding mass gatherings, it is prudent to assume many events will change in some substantive way. Be sure to check with the organizers as dates approach for the latest plans and any modifications introduced after this issue went to press. Dates appended with an asterisk (*) were identified by the organizer as tentative and subject to change.

For each meeting, we have listed its anticipated format. *In-person:* a conventional, face-to-face gathering. *Virtual:* held entirely online and accessed remotely. *Hybrid:* elements of each will be used as deemed appropriate by the host.
April 10, Glendale, AZ
Residents Ocular Disease Symposium
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Midwestern University Arizona College of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Local OD residents
CE HOURS: 7
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Elizabeth Escobedo
azcopt-ce@midwestern.edu
623-806-7270

April 11, New York City
SUNY Applied Basic Science
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: SUNY College of Optometry
CE HOURS: 2
LOCATION: online
33 West 42nd Street
CONTACT: Betsy Torres
ce@sunyopt.edu
212-938-5830
www.sunyopt.edu/cpe

April 11
Dry Eye Workshop
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Review Education Group
CE HOURS: 4
LOCATION: TBD
CONTACT: reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com

April 11, Glendale, AZ
AZCOPT Opioid CE Event
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Midwestern University Arizona College of Optometry

APRIL 28–MAY 2, ATLANTA
SECO 2021: Same Great Congress, New April Date

If you’re already planning to head to Atlanta in late February as usual, reset your calendar for April 28–May 2 to attend SECO’s 2021 Congress, as SECO International recently announced its plan to move the show dates to ensure a successful in-person meeting.

“The decision to move the dates of our annual Congress from February to April was not taken lightly,” said Max Raynor, OD, president of SECO International in a statement. “Following discussion with the Board of Trustees, input from members and feedback from our key partners, the final sentiment indicated a strong desire for a rescheduled in-person event later in the spring. We are unified in our decision that adjusting the date will allow SECO and the industry to host a more successful meeting.”

SECO 2021 will be an in-person event at the Georgia World Congress Center with an option for virtual attendance, according to SECO International.

Event planners are already working on infection control and prevention guidelines for the show, and the host location is committed to its stringent cleaning, disinfection and infectious disease prevention program.

The Congress will include an all-star lineup of speakers as usual, including optometrists Ron Melton, Randall Thomas, Leslie O’Dell and Jessica Steen. But SECO also always wrangles several experts from outside of optometry to share their expertise. This year’s line-up includes Arkadiy Yadgarov, MD, Andrew Lee, MD, and Tanuj Banker, MD.

While the total number of CE credits that will be offered is still pending COPE approval, optometrists will be able to earn up to 50 hours of continuing education credit.

Topics will run the full gamut of eye care responsibilities an optometrist faces, from tried-and-true vision care to full-scope medical eye care and surgical comanagement.

Be sure to check attendseco.com for additional event details as they become available.

* dates subject to change
APRIL 2021 EVENTS

CONTACT: Joleen Breunig
joleen@woa-eyes.org
woa@woa-eyes.org

April 16-17, Noblesville, IN
Indiana Optometry’s Annual Convention
FORM: in-person
HOST: Indiana Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 14
LOCATION: Embassy Suites Hotel, 13700 Conference Center Drive South
CONTACT: Bridget Sims
blsims@ioa.org; 317-237-3560
www.ioa.org

April 16-18, Des Moines, IA
IOA Annual Congress
FORM: not set at press time
HOST: Iowa Optometric Association
KEY FACULTY: Carlo Pelino, Joe Pizzimenti
CE HOURS: 14
LOCATION: Des Moines Marriott, 700 Grand Ave.
CONTACT: Jill Gonder
jillg@iowaoptometry.org
800-444-1772
www.iowaoptometry.org

April 17-18, Toronto
OAO Symposium
FORM: virtual
HOST: Ontario Association of Optometrists
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Cheryl Neave
cneave@optom.on.ca
905-826-3522, ext. 243
www.optom.on.ca

April 17-20, Tuscany, Italy
CE in Italy/Europe
FORM: in-person
HOST: James Fanelli
KEY FACULTY: James Fanelli, Joseph Pizzimenti
CE HOURS: 12
LOCATION: Residence Le Santucce Castiglion Fiorentino
CONTACT: James Fanelli
jamesfanelli@ceinitaly.com
910-452-7225
www.ceinitaly.com

April 18
Dry Eye Workshop
FORM: not set at press time
HOST: Review Education Group
CE HOURS: 4
LOCATION: TBD
CONTACT: reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com

April 18,* Wilmington, DE
DOA Winter Thaw
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Delaware Optometric Assn.
CE HOURS: 4
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Linen Pok
admin@deoa.org
302-273-0510
www.deoa.org

April 22-24,* Lexington, KY
KOA Spring Conference
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Kentucky Optometric Assn.
CE HOURS: TBD
LOCATION: Hyatt Hotel, Lexington, KY
CONTACT: Sarah Unger
sarah@kyeyes.org
502-875-3516
www.kyeyes.org

April 23-25, Tucson, AZ
AZOA Spring Congress
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Arizona Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 14-16
CONTACT: Kate Diedrickson
kate@azoa.org
www.azoa.org/connect

April 23-25,* Albuquerque, NM
New Mexico Optometric Association Annual Convention
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: New Mexico Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 22
LOCATION: Sandia Resort, 30 Rainbow Road NE
CONTACT: Richard Montoya
newmexicooptometry@gmail.com
575-751-7242
www.newmexicooptometry.org

April 26-27, Atlanta
AFOS-SECO Federal Service Optometry Program
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: Armed Forces Optometric Society & SECO
KEY FACULTY: Federal Service Chiefs plus nationally recognized educators
CE HOURS: 50+
LOCATION: The Ritz Carlton Atlanta, 181 Peachtree Street NE
CONTACT: Lindsay Wright
lwright@afos2020.org
720-442-8209
www.afos2020.org

April 28-May 2,* Atlanta
SECO 2021
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: SECO International
KEY FACULTY: Arkadiy Yadgarov, Andrew Lee, Ron Melton, Randall Thomas, Tanuj Banker, Leslie O’Dell, Jessica Steen
CE HOURS: Total: pending, max. per OD: 50
LOCATION: Georgia World Congress Center, 22285 Andrew Young International Blvd. NW
CONTACT: info@secostaff.com
770-451-8206
www.attendseco.com

April 29-May 2,* Farmington, PA
POA Spring Congress
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: PA Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 20
LOCATION: Neamcolin Woodlands Resort, 1001 Lafayette Drive
CONTACT: Ilene Sauertieg
ilene@poaeyes.org
717-233-6455
www.poaeyes.org

April 30-May 1, Coeur d’Alene, Idaho
Coeur d’Alene Conference
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: Pacific University College of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Matt Lampa, Fraser Horn, Mitch Ibach, Hannah Shindoah
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: Coeur d’Alene Resort, 115 South Second St.
CONTACT: Michelena “Miki” Buckingham
mikibuckingham@pacificu.edu
503-459-9241
www.pacificu.edu/academics/colleges/college-optometry/continuing-education

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- IES Virtual Summit

### May, date TBD

IES Virtual Summit  
FORMAT: not set at press time  
HOST: Review Education Group and Intrepid Eye Society  
CE HOURS: 12  
LOCATION: TBD  
CONTACT: reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com

### May 2-6, San Francisco

**ARVO 2021**  
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual  
HOST: ARVO  
CONTACT: [www.arvo.org](http://www.arvo.org)

### May 5, Toronto

**OAO Symposium**  
FORMAT: virtual

HOST: Ontario Assn. of Optometrists  
KEY FACULTY: Efrom Mandelcorn  
CE HOURS: 1  
LOCATION: online  
CONTACT: Cheryl Neave, cneave@optom.on.ca  
905-826-3522, ext. 243  
[www.optom.on.ca](http://www.optom.on.ca)

**Vision Expo East**

**OAO Symposium**

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VEE Springs Forward with New May Meeting Date

Vision Expo East will be celebrating its 35th anniversary in 2021, with a new late May meeting date to give companies and attendees more time to plan in light of the changing conference landscape due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

“2020 has presented the vision care community with a new set of challenges that require modern and forward-thinking solutions. Vision Expo’s education programming for Vision Expo East 2021 reflects these new realities and needs,” said Mark Dunbar, OD, FAAO, education advisory board co-chairman. “From never-before-seen clinical presentations staged for the first time to timely, interactive presentations on business and marketing strategies, Vision Expo East 2021 will offer relevant and cutting-edge courses designed to address topics driven by the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic and new opportunities for industry growth.”

VEE 2021 will be held May 25-28 at the Jacob Javits Center in New York City. The meeting will offer a total of 320 CE hours, and attendees can earn up to 28 continuing education credits.

VEE has assembled a lineup of star speakers, including Drs. Mark Wright, Stephanie Woo, Murray Fingeret, Joseph Pizzimenti, Paul Chous and Whitney Hauser and many more.

Attendees will be able to attend lectures and hands-on workshops on topics covering the full scope of optometric responsibility from tried-and-true vision care to the latest research on medical practice.

Despite the recent challenges, VEE organizers say they are energized by the resilience the industry has demonstrated in the face of COVID-19. As such, they are diligently working to host a Vision Expo event where new relationships are forged and friends can meet face to face again.

Additional details on Vision Expo East’s new neighborhoods, educational programming, and special features will be announced soon, so be sure to check back with VEE for more details as they come available.

For more information, contact Hayley Rakus, hrakus@thevisioncouncil.org, 703-740-1094, or go to east.visionexpo.com.
Would you like a front row seat to breakthrough research that may revolutionize the way you practice? Then plan to tend the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) meeting in 2021, which will be held in San Francisco from May 2-6.

Innovation and advanced technologies have fostered significant discoveries in eye research in the last decade, rivaling those in any discipline. As such, the theme of the 2021 meeting is the next revolution in clinically translating these discoveries to restore and preserve vision.

With an eye on monitoring COVID-19 and its effect on in-person gatherings, ARVO is planning to deliver its 2021 meeting in a hybrid format, with both in-person and virtual options for presenters and attendees.

Here’s a look at some highlights you can expect during this seminal conference, as described by ARVO:

**COVID-19 and the Eye Symposium**
The spread of SARS-CoV-2, the causative agent of COVID-19, is holding much of the worldwide population hostage. It is now known that SARS-CoV-2 infection has implications beyond pulmonary disease. Although potential involvement of the eye remains elusive, it has instigated an influx of research. Studies have demonstrated expression of viral entry receptors for SARS-CoV-2 in ocular cells and its RNA has been detected in tears and conjunctiva of COVID patients. Thus, there is significant interest in understanding the pathobiology of coronaviruses in the eye.

This symposium will provide an international platform to bring together researchers and clinicians working on ocular and non-ocular diseases of coronaviruses, covering molecular virology of SARS-CoV-2, host-virus interactions, innate ocular immunity, therapeutic approaches including vaccines and epidemiology of ocular complications and experimental models.

**Focus on the Fovea: What Makes the Fovea Unique? Symposium**
Because the fovea conveys the most important information necessary for daily life, loss of vision here causes significant visual impairment. Conserving or restoring foveal vision is crucial.

However, the fovea is specifically vulnerable to disorders. To explore why this vulnerability might exist, this symposium will bring together speakers who have studied the structure, physiology and pathology of the fovea using different techniques. The symposium is of interest for basic and clinical researchers.

**Epidemiology of Diabetic Retinopathy and AMD: Past, Present and Future Symposium**
The world is facing an unprecedented age shift and this “silver tsunami” has grave consequences for current and future approaches for clinical ophthalmic epidemiology for DR and AMD, notwithstanding the potential, but uncertain, roles of new retinal treatments, gene therapy, big data and artificial intelligence.

This symposium brings together a platform of highly esteemed retinal epidemiologists and clinician scientists who will discuss past achievements, current challenges and future research in risk, diagnosis, treatment and management of DR and AMD.

**Epigenomics and Personalized Medicine: “Across the Globe” Symposium**
The ability to turn specific genes on or off has huge implications for the future of health care, including the potential to help guide individualized prevention and treatment strategies for various ocular diseases. This symposium will bring together leading scientists who will share their latest research on the role epigenomics is playing not only during development but also in shaping future personalized medicine for ocular diseases involving tissues from the anterior and posterior segments, including corneal dystrophies, glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy and more.

For more information or to register, go to www.arvo.org/annual-meeting.
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JUNE 3-5, CLEVELAND / OCTOBER 7-9, COLUMBUS

EastWest Launches New Meeting, New Venue in 2021

Change is in the air for EastWest. The long-running conference is changing locales and offering a new meeting in 2021.

In the summer, EastWest will roll out a new conference, Summer Bash on the Lake, taking place June 3-5 in Cleveland. This meeting will emphasize world-class education with a faculty that includes Drs. Paul Karpecki, Joe Shovlin, Brenda Montecalvo, Jeffrey Gerson, Brad Sutton, Shanika E. Esparaz and Blair Lonsberry. Courses will cover a comprehensive range of topics such as glaucoma, neuro, retina and contact lenses.

But that's not all! Opticians and paraoptometrics will be able to take advantage of a wide range of courses custom-made just for them. EastWest invites everyone to come experience a Great Lake and a great conference during the gorgeous month of June in northeast Ohio.

Additionally, 2021 EastWest Eye Conference organizers are excited to announce their new location in 2021 as they move south to Columbus in order to take advantage of the many wonderful educational, cultural, geographical and entertainment opportunities the city has to offer.

Although the location is changing, EastWest is still committed to offering world-class education delivered by faculty members Drs. Nathan Lighthizer, Jim Thimons, Justin Schweitzer, Steven Ferrucci, Mika Moy and others. This popular regional meeting will once again offer three days of cutting-edge education for ODs and their staff. Expect workshops on lasers, scleral lenses and diagnostic technologies, which will allow attendees a “hands-on” learning experience. Come be part of the fun and make up for some long overdue in-person education in Columbus, happening October 7-9.

For more information, contact Jordan Quickel, jquickel@ooa.org, 614-781-0708 or go to www.eastwesteye.org.

June 3-6, Isle of Palms, SC

GOA Summer Annual Conference

FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Georgia Optometric Assn.
KEY FACULTY: Ron Melton, Randall Thomas
CE HOURS: 15
LOCATION: Wild Dunes Resort, 5757 Palm Blvd.
CONTACT: Vanessa Grosso
Vanessa@goaeyes.com
770-961-9866, ext. 1
www.goaeyes.com

June 5-7, Branson, MO

NSUOK Ocular Disease Update

FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: OK College of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Selina McGee, Marc Bloomenstein
CE HOURS: 16
Location: Big Cedar Lodge, 190 Top of the Rock Rd.
CONTACT: Callie McAtee
mcateec@nsuok.edu; 918-316-3602
www.optometry.nsuok.edu/continuing-education/schedule-of-events

June 6

Optowest

FORMAT: virtual
HOST: California Optometric Assn.
CE HOURS: 6
CONTACT: contact@coavision.org
www.coavision.org

June 6, New York City

SUNY Applied Basic Science Clinical Practice Series

FORMAT: virtual
HOST: SUNY College of Optometry
CE HOURS: 2
CONTACT: Betsy Torres
re@sunyopt.edu
212-938-5830
www.sunyopt.edu/cpe

June 7, Toronto

OAO Symposium

FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Ontario Assn. of Optometrists
CE HOURS: 1
CONTACT: Cheryl Neave
clineave@optom.on.ca
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June 9, Toronto

OAO Symposium

FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Ontario Assn. of Optometrists
CE HOURS: 1
CONTACT: Cheryl Neave
clineave@optom.on.ca
905-826-3522, ext. 243
www.optom.on.ca

June 11-12*

New Technologies & Treatments in Eye Care Summer Virtual Conference

FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Review Education Group
KEY FACULTY: Paul Karpecki
CE HOURS: 12
CONTACT: reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com

June 11-12, Sandestin, FL

MOA Summer Convention

FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: Mississippi Optometric Assn.
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort, 9300 Emerald Coast Pkwy
CONTACT: Sarah Link
selink@mseyes.com; 601-853-4407
www.mseyes.com

June 11-13, Manchester, UK

BCLA Clinical Conference and Exhibition

FORMAT: in-person
HOST: BCLA
LOCATION: Manchester Central Convention Complex
CONTACT: www.bcla.org.uk

June 11-13, Myrtle Beach, SC

NCOS Spring Congress

FORMAT: in-person
HOST: North Carolina Optometric Society
CE HOURS: 18
LOCATION: Embassy Suites Kingston Plantation, 9800 Queensway Blvd.
CONTACT: Christy Santacana
christy@nceyes.org
919-977-6964
www.nceyes.org/spring-congress
JUNE 11-13, MANCHESTER, UK

Bolster Your CL Knowledge Across the Pond

Join the UK’s largest clinical conference during BCLA’s biennial meeting in 2021, June 11-13 in Manchester. This highly regarded event attracts more than 1,000 UK and international contact lens professionals at all stages of their career.

Whatever your level of experience or work setting, the BCLA Clinical Conference and Exhibition will offer a platform to learn from the experts, network and develop skills and knowledge. Discover the latest trends and challenges, learn effective business solutions and take home key clinical building blocks for a more successful contact lens practice.

The conference will offer delegates from the UK an average of 50 CET points in a host of core competencies, in addition to COPE and CPD accreditation for delegates from North America.

BCLA says the conference will offer a wide array of opportunities for clinicians, including the chance to network, exchange knowledge with your peers, be inspired by presentations from the world’s leading contact lens experts, learn about the latest technical developments and succeed through better understanding of the latest trends, products and cost-saving strategies. The meeting will be held at the Manchester Central Convention complex.

Online pre-registration will open in January 2021. For more information, go to www.bcla.org.uk.

June 12-13, Dallas
UHCO CE in Dallas
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: U. Houston Col. of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Marcus Gonzales
CE HOURS: 16
LOCATION: Westin Galleria Dallas, 13340 Dallas Pkwy
CONTACT: UHCO CE Office
optce@central.uh.edu
713-743-1900
ce.opt.uh.edu

June 14, Toronto
OAO Symposium
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Ontario Association of Optometrists
www.optom.on.ca
905-826-3522, ext. 243
cneave@optom.on.ca

June 24-26, Anaheim, CA
AOA Optometry’s Meeting
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: American Optometric Association
KEY FACULTY: TBD
CE HOURS: 100 currently planned, more to come
LOCATION: Anaheim Convention Center, 800 W Katella Ave.
CONTACT: AOA
optometrysmeeting@aoa.org
optometrysmeeting.org

JUNE 24-26, ANAHEIM, CA

AOA 2021: Optometry’s Meeting Heads to Sunny SoCal

One of the profession’s most anticipated events, the annual convention of the American Optometric Association—which the AOA calls ‘Optometry’s Meeting’—is returning to a familiar setting, Anaheim, CA, for its 2021 event, which will be held June 24-26.

“There couldn’t be a more auspicious time for doctors of optometry, paraoptometric staff and future optometrists to come together to learn, lead and connect than Optometry’s Meeting 2021. AOA has always been committed to providing quality education offerings, and we continue working toward equipping our members with the skill sets and tools necessary to be successful in the future practice of optometry,” says AOA president William Reynolds, OD.

In light of the changes brought on by the pandemic, the AOA will be offering attendees the choice of a virtual learning format in addition to traditional in-person activities. Currently, the meeting will offer up to 100 CE credits with additional continuing education hours expected to be added.

“This year’s event will feature an exciting series of courses focusing on progressive topics and guidance associated with practicing optometry to its fullest level. More than ever, we are focused on our essential role in health care that Americans need, and we know we’re able to provide,” Dr. Reynolds adds.

Optometry’s meeting will be held in the Anaheim Convention Center—just a short walk from the Disneyland theme park—and will offer a variety of lectures and workshops on topics that will include all aspects of vision and eye care.

For more information, contact optometrysmeeting@aoa.org or go to optometrysmeeting.org.

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When Vacation Getaways Finally Return...

After a year of travel restrictions and general unease about close contact, lots of optometrists will be eager to get away from it all when circumstances allow. Many continuing education events have increasingly become vacation-worthy in their own right. From the ski slopes to the high seas, 2021 will offer many destination CE options, no matter your heart’s desire. Here’s a look at some fun-filled continuing education meetings scheduled in 2021:

Set Sail Aboard These Optometric CE Cruises
AEA Cruises will offer several CE meetings including:

- **Feb. 12-15, Bahamas Cruise.** Join AEA Cruises Bahamas for the Perfect Day Cruise aboard the Royal Caribbean Mariner of the Seas. Attendees will be able to earn four hours of continuing education credit.
- **Feb. 27-March 6, Western Caribbean Cruise.** Attendees will be able to earn up to 10 CE hours aboard the Enchanted Princess.
- **March 6-13, Caribbean and Bahamas Cruise.** AEA Cruises will offer 10 continuing education hour credits against the relaxing backdrop of the Caribbean and the Bahamas. The ship for this excursion is the MSC Meraviglia.
- **March 13-20, Caribbean Cruise.** AEA Cruises' Tropical Caribbean meeting will take place on the Holland America Nieuw Amsterdam ship where attendees will be able to earn 10 hours of CE credit.
- **July 3-10, Hawaiian Cruise.** AEA Cruises Hawaii will set sail on the NCL Pride of America. Attendees can earn up to 10 continuing education credits.
- **July 4-11, Alaskan Cruise.** Take in the natural wonder of Alaska aboard the Majestic Princess on AEA Cruises’ Alaska Inside Passage. Attendees can earn up to 10 continuing education credit hours during the course of the event.
- **July 4-11, Bermuda Cruise.** If you’re longing for some beach time, AEA Cruises’ Bermuda will offer ample opportunities for sun and surf aboard the NCL Norwegian Joy. Attendees will be able to gain 10 CE hours from the meeting.

For more information on the AEA Cruises for 2021, contact Marge McGrath, aeaacruises@aol.com, 773-594-9866, optometriccruiseseminars.com.

European Excursions
Enjoy a taste of Italy and Europe during perennial destination CE favorite, CE in Italy/Europe with host James Fanelli, who will be your personal tour guide. Attendees will be able to earn 12 CE credits during each meeting and will hear about the latest in cutting-edge clinical care. Here’s CE in Italy/Europe’s itinerary for 2021:

- **April 17-20, Tuscany, Italy.** Join presenters James Fanelli and Joe Pizzimenti in a tranquil Tuscan setting that rivals paradise. Lodging will be at the Residence Le Santuccce, Castiglion Fiorentino.
- **July 10-20, Venice to Athens Sailing Ship Venue.** Climb aboard the Royal Clipper Sailing Ship with Dr. Fanelli and his presenters, Susan Andracchi and Robert Bennett. The ship will have numerous stops, including Venice, Croatia, Montenegro and Greece.
- **Sept. 15-17, Tuscany, Italy.** Join Dr. Fanelli, along with presenters, William Monaco, Leonard Messner and Dr. Pizzimenti. Lodging for this meeting will be the Residence Le Santuccce in Castiglion Fiorentino.
- **Sept. 18-20, Florence, Italy.** Speakers for this meeting include Dr. Fanelli, Dr. Messner, Dr. Pizzimenti and Dr. Monaco. Attendees will stay at the Hotel Silla that is located in the historic center of Florence.
- **Sept. 28-30, Taormina, Sicily.** Presenters for this meeting will be Dr. Fanelli, Lorraine Lombardi, Dr. Pizzimenti and Dr. Monaco. The lodging for this last fall meeting will be at the Hotel Villa Schuler in the historic center of Taormina, Sicily.

For more information about CE in Italy/Europe meetings in 2021, contact Dr. Fanelli at jamesfanelli@ceinitaly.com, 910-452-7225, or go to www.ceinitaly.com.

CE on the Slopes
If your idea of fun is swooshing down the slopes, 2021 will offer two “CE & ski” options.

- **Feb. 3-5, Vail, CO:** Join Tarr Trek for the Winter Ophthalmic Summit, which will be held at the Sonnenalp Hotel Vail. The lead presenters will be renowned lecturers, Ron Melton and Randall Thomas, and attendees will be able to earn up to 12 hours of continuing education credit. For more information, contact Tarr Trek at tarrtrek2020@gmail.com, 865-321-9338, or go to www.tarrtrek.com.
- **Feb. 28-March 5, Park City, Utah:** Be part of the 35th Annual EyeSki Conference with hosts Dr. Fanelli and Dr. Pizziment and an all-star speaker lineup including Nathan Lightizer, Mohammad Rafieetary, Cecelia Koetting and Dr. Messner. Attendees will be able to earn up to 20 CE credits and sit in on lectures covering full-scope primary eye care. The meeting will be held at the Shadow Ridge Conference Center. For more information contact Dr. Fanelli at advancedtechconferences@gmail.com, 910-452-7225, or go to www.eyeskiutah.com

Tropical Locales
If you are longing for a cool drink on a sandy beach after your CE session, Tropical CE has several destination CE events for you, with each meeting offering 20 CE credits.

- **Feb. 20-27:** Join host Stuart Autry at Playa Mujeres, Mexico for Tropical CE-Playa Mujeres 2021. Presenters will include Eric Schmidt and Mark Dunbar, and attendees will...
Enjoy CE Under the Tuscan Sun and More

The popular series known as “CE in Italy/Europe” is embracing its Italian roots in 2021 with some perennial Italian favorites, plus a few new twists.

For 2021, the meetings will be held in the spring, summer and fall with carefully selected locations based on previous attendee polling and timed to avoid the height of tourist season, assure ideal weather and avoid large crowds, says host James Fanelli, OD. The founder of CE in Italy/Europe should know. Dr. Fanelli lives in Italy part of the year, and has extensive knowledge of the region, its customs, and traditions.

The goals of CE in Italy/Europe have always been the same since the initial program first launched in 2007: to offer outstanding CE in fantastic locations in a pleasant, relaxed environment, Dr. Fanelli says. “I’m truly convinced that better learning occurs in a more enjoyable location, especially if the vibe is relaxed and laid back.”

At each venue, attendees can earn 12 hours of COPE approved CE credit, co-sponsored by Illinois College of Optometry, with the potential to obtain a total of 36 CE hours during one trip.

First Stop, Tuscany

The 2021 kick-off program will take visitors to one of Europe’s most popular destinations, the heart of Tuscany. During breaks from class, attendees will be able to take in idyllic hilltop settings that overlook the surrounding valleys filled with vineyards and olive groves, in addition to cobblestone streets and cafes found in small-town Tuscan life. Visitors will want to explore the many towns in the region, including Siena, Montalcino, Chianti, Assisi, Montepulciano and Pienza.

During this meeting, accommodations will be a restored convent overlooking the Tuscan countryside, boasting a sunset view each evening. This meeting will be held April 17-20.

CE on the Seas

Summer is one of the most popular meeting times, and CE in Italy/Europe has planned a twist in 2021. For this meeting, attendees will board a five-masted sailing ship, the Star Clipper, for an intimate experience on the seas. “The accouterments of the ship are outstanding, and there are only 210 passengers on board, making the service quite extraordinary,” Dr. Fanelli says.

The ship will depart Venice on July 10 and will sail the Adriatic Sea with stops in Croatia and Montenegro, the Ionian Sea with stops in Greece, and the Aegean Sea with stops in Santorini and Mykonos, before docking in Athens on July 20. All 12 hours of CE will be presented on board in the observation lounge and will not conflict with any of the stops along the way. This venue sold out within three months of posting the itinerary, with the large majority of registrants having sailed with CE in Italy/Europe previously. Currently, registration is on an availability-only basis, pending other travelers’ potential change of plans.

Fall Italian Trio

In autumn 2021, CE in Italy/Europe will have three venues in Italy: two on the mainland, and one in Sicily.

Fall marks a return to Tuscany amidst a burst of fall foliage, and the onset of the season’s grape and olive harvests. The Fall Tuscany meeting will be held Sept. 15-17.

The second fall meeting will be in Florence, another perennial favorite. This meeting will be held in the heart of the historic center of Florence, the seat of the Renaissance, and will be held September 18-20. “From the Uffizi Gallery to Michelangelo’s statue of David to the numerous leather shops, my favorite shoe store, and the plethora of café’s and restaurants, Florence is a great walkable city, with a never-ending series of options for you to undertake even if that simply includes sitting at a café and people watching for an afternoon,” Dr. Fanelli says.

The third and final fall meeting, held September 28-30, will be in Taormina, Sicily, which sits above the Ionian Sea, with spectacular views of the sea and Mt. Etna. “Talk about a great venue! The location of the host hotel is in the heart of Taormina, and our previous travelers have requested we return again to this fabulous venue. So we did! The food in Sicily is similar but different from mainland Italy, and each region is known for its particular delicacies. You won’t be disappointed in Sicily,” Dr. Fanelli says.

For more information on CE in Italy/Europe, contact Dr. Fanelli at jamesfanelli@ceinitaly.com, 910-452-7225 or go to www.ceinitaly.com.

Stay at Secrets Playa Mujeres. Expect a full slate of clinically focused lecture topics.

- **July 3-10:** Tropical CE will head to Riviera Maya, Mexico, where presenters will include Jill Autry and Justin Schweitzer. Attendees will stay at the Grand at Moon Palace, and lecture topics will cover allergy, comanagement, cataract surgery, pharmacology and systemic disease.

- **Sept. 1-10:** Join Tropic CE for an unforgettable educational experience in Portugal with presenters Ben Gaddie and Carlo Pelino. Guests will stay at the Grande Real Villa Italia Hotel, and lectures will cover a wide array of topics in advanced clinical care.

- **Sept. 26–Oct. 2:** Tropical CE’s last trip for 2021 will be located at the Florida Keys. Attendees will stay at the Ocean Reef Club, and lectures will cover glaucoma, ocular infections, pharmacology and retinal disorders.

- For more information on the Tropical CE Meetings, contact Brandi Thorpe at bthorpe@tropicalce.com, 281-979-5418, or go to tropicalce.com.
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#### July 3-10, Hawaiian cruise

**AEA Cruises Hawaii**

**FORMAT:** in-person  
**HOST:** AEA Cruises  
**CE HOURS:** 10  
**LOCATION:** NCL Pride of America  
**CONTACT:** Marge McGrath  
aea@aea.com  
[OptometricCruisesSeminars.com](https://www.optometriccruisesseminars.com)

#### July 3-10, Riviera Maya, Mexico

**Tropical CE Riviera Maya**

**FORMAT:** in-person  
**HOST:** Stuart Autry  
**KEY FACULTY:** Jill Autry, Justin Schweitzer  
**CE HOURS:** 20  
**LOCATION:** Grand at Moon Palace Chetumal KM 36.5  
**CONTACT:** Brandi Thorpe; 281-979-5418  
bthorpe@tropicalce.com  
tropicalce.com
July 4-11, Alaskan Cruise
AEA Cruises Alaska Inside Passage
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: AEA Cruises
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: Aboard Majestic Princess
CONTACT: Marge McGrath
acea@cruiseaol.com
973-594-9866
optometriccruiseseminars.com

July 4-11, Bermuda Cruise
AEA Cruises Bermuda
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: AEA Cruises
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: NCL Norwegian Joy
CONTACT: Marge McGrath
acea@cruiseaol.com
973-594-9866
optometriccruiseseminars.com

July 8-11, Tahlequah, OK
July Advanced Procedures
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Oklahoma College of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Nathan Lighthizer, Doug Penisten, Richard Castillo, Jeff Miller
CE HOURS: 32
Location: Oklahoma College of Optometry Academic Wing, 1001 N Grand Ave.
CONTACT: Callie McAtee
mcateec@nsuok.edu
918-316-3602
optometry.nsuok.edu/continuing-education/schedule-of-events/

July 10-11, Fullerton, CA
Ocular Disease: Part Two
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: Marshall B. Ketchum University, SCCO
CE HOURS: 16
LOCATION: Marshall B. Ketchum University, SCCO, 2575 Yorba Linda Blvd.
CONTACT: Bonnie Delltorre
cce@ketchum.edu
714-449-7495
www.ketchum.edu/cce

July 10-20, Venice to Athens cruise
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: CE in Italy/Europe, James Fanelli
KEY FACULTY: Susan Andracchi, Robert Bennett, James Fanelli
CE HOURS: 12
LOCATION: Royal Clipper with stops in Venice, Croatia, Montenegro and Greece
CONTACT: James Fanelli
jamesfanelli@ceinitaly.com
910-452-7225
www.ceinitaly.com

July 14, Carmel, IN
Indiana Optometry’s Summer Seminar
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Indiana Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 7
LOCATION: Ritz Charles, 12156 N. Meridian St.
CONTACT: Bridget Sims
bsims@ioa.org
317-237-3560
www.ioa.org

July 14-17, Cody, WY
Northern Rockies Optometric Conference
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Northern Rockies Optometric Conference
CE HOURS: 16
LOCATION: Buffalo Bill Village, 1701 Sheridan Ave.
CONTACT: Kari Cline
director@nrocmeeting.com
307-640-6157
www.nrocmeeting.com

July 15-18, Miami
FOA Annual Convention
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Florida Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 20+
LOCATION: Loews Miami Beach Hotel, 1601 Collins Ave.
CONTACT: Maria Crume
maria@floridaeeyes.org
850-877-4697
www.floridaeeyes.org/event/2021convention

July 16-17, Omaha, NE
IOA Summer CE
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Iowa Optometric Association
KEY FACULTY: Gina Wesley, Vitto Mena, James Thimons
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: Embassy Suites Old Market, 555 S. 10th St.
CONTACT: Jill Gonder
jillg@iowaoptometry.org
800-444-1772
www.iowaoptometry.org

July 22-25, Victoria BC, Canada
Victoria 2021 Conference
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: Pacific U. College of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Bre McGhee, Seema Nanda
CE HOURS: 20
LOCATION: Hotel Grand Pacific, 463 Belleville St.
CONTACT: Michелena “Miki” Buckingham
mikibuckingham@pacificu.edu
503-459-9241
www.pacificu.edu/academics/colleges/college-optometry/continuing-education

July 22-25, Estes Park, CO
CE in the Rockies
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: U. Houston Col. of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Danica Marrelli
CE HOURS: 20
LOCATION: Ridgeline Hotel Estes Park, 101 South Saint Vrain Ave.
CONTACT: UHCO CE Office
optce@central.uh.edu
713-743-1900
ce.opt.uh.edu

July 22-25, Bend, OR
Oregon’s Meeting
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Oregon Optometric Physicians Association
CE HOURS: Total: 15
LOCATION: Eagle Crest Resort, 1522 Cline Falls Rd.
CONTACT: Lynne Olson
lynn@oregonoptometry.org
800-922-2045
www.oregonoptometry.org

July 23-25, Incline Village, NV
Tahoe Summit
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Sacramento Valley Optometric Society
KEY FACULTY: Mark Dunbar, John McGreal, Jackie Theis, Stephanie Woo
CE HOURS: 12
LOCATION: Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe Resort, Spa and Casino, 111 Country Club Lane
CONTACT: David Chan; 916-447-0270
svosinbox@gmail.com
www.svos.info
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**ALSO THIS MONTH (date not set):**

- Cornea and Contact Lens Meeting

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For each meeting, we have listed its anticipated format. In-person: a conventional, face-to-face gathering. Virtual: held entirely online and accessed remotely. Hybrid: elements of each will be used as deemed appropriate by the host.
August, date TBD
Cornea and Contact Lens Meeting
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Review Education Group
CE HOURS: TBD
LOCATION: TBD
CONTACT: reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com

Aug. 6-8, Captiva Island, FL
SWFOA Educational Retreat
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: SW Florida Optometric Assn.
KEY FACULTY: Nathan Lightthizer, Julie Tyler, Richard Kattouff, Stuart Kaplan, Ron Foreman
CE HOURS: 18
LOCATION: South Seas Island Resort, 5400 Plantation Rd.
CONTACT: Art Young
eyenuy4123@msn.com
601-946-2174
www.swfoa.com

Aug. 7-8, Hood River, OR
Glaucoma in the Gorge
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Ocular Therapeutics
KEY FACULTY: Anthony Litwak, Jim Thimons
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: Best Western Conference Center, 1108 East Marina Way
CONTACT: Anthony Litwak
info@otce.net
443-895-1682
www.otce.net

Aug. 8, location TBD
Optowest
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: California Optometric Assn.
CE HOURS: 6
LOCATION: TBD
CONTACT: contact@coavision.org
www.coavision.org

Aug. 13-15, Virginia Beach, VA
VOA Contact Lens Symposium
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Virginia Optometric Assn.
KEY FACULTY: TBD
CE HOURS: 6
LOCATION: Hilton Virginia Beach Oceanfront, 3001 Atlantic Ave.
CONTACT: Sarah Keeney
office@thevoa.org
804-643-0309
www.thevoa.org

Aug. 14-15, Cincinnati, OH
MidWest Optometric Society 2021 Seminar
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Elliot Kirstein, Todd Zelczak, Ohio State College of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Elliot Kirstein, Todd Zelczak, others TBD
CE HOURS: 16
LOCATION: Marriott Cincinnati Northeast, 9664 S Mason Montgomery Rd.
CONTACT: Todd A. Zelczak
drzelczak@gmail.com
513-321-2020
www.midwestoptometricsoctociety.com

Aug. 20-21, Columbus, Ohio
Envision Conference East 2021
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: Envision University
KEY FACULTY: TBD
CE HOURS: Total: 40, maximum per OD: 16
LOCATION: The Ohio State Ohio Union
1739 North High St.
CONTACT: Michael Epp
michael.epp@envisionus.com
316-440-1515
www.envisionconference.org

Aug. 20-22, Birmingham, AL
UAB Fall CE Weekend
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: UAB School of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: UAB
CE HOURS: 16
LOCATION: TBD
CONTACT: Kathryn Trammell
ktram@uab.edu
205-934-5701
uab.edu/optometry/ce

Aug. 26-29, Hilton Head, SC
SCOPA Annual Meeting
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: SC Optometric Physicians Association
KEY FACULTY: Paul Ajamian, Mark Myers, Andy Gurwood, Ron Melton, Randall Thomas, Kriti Bhagat
CE HOURS: 21
LOCATION: Westin Hilton Head Island Resort and Spa
Two Grasslawn Ave.
CONTACT: Jackie Rivers
rivers@sceyedoctors.com
803-799-6721
www.sceyedoctors.com

See Melton & Thomas in 2021—Onstage and Onscreen!

Even though much has changed about how CE events are conducted, you can rest assured that top lecturers Ron Melton, OD, and Randall Thomas, OD, will still be a staple of education in 2021. The dynamic duo will be appearing at both in-person and virtual events in the coming year.

Their innovative “team teaching” model, nearly 80 combined years of clinical experience and easy-going Southern charm ensures that doctors of all skill levels get the advice they need to succeed.

The North Carolina ODs have given nearly 2,000 lectures in all 50 states and throughout the world.

At press time, here’s where they’re slated to appear in 2021. Dates are their lectures specifically, not the full run of the meeting.

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Sept. 1-10, Portugal
Tropical CE Portugal
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Stuart Autry
KEY FACULTY: Ben Gaddie, Carlo Pelino
CE HOURS: 20
LOCATION: Grande Real Villa Italia Hotel, R. Frei Nicolau de Oliveira
CONTACT: Brandi Thorpe
bthorpe@tropicalce.com
281-979-5418
tropicalce.com

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Sept. 11-12, Tahlequah, OK
Primary Eye Care Update
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual, the latter if approved
HOST: OK College of Optometry
CE HOURS: 10
Location: Northeastern State University Event Center, 1041 N Grand Ave
CONTACT: Callie McAtee
mcaatee@nsuok.edu
918-316-3602
optometry.nsuok.edu/continuing-
education/schedule-of-events

Sept. 12, * New York City
SUNY Applied Basic Science
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: SUNY College of Optometry
CE HOURS: 2
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Betsy Torres
cce@sunyopt.edu
212-938-5830
www.sunyopt.edu/cpe

Sept. 12-13, Westford, MA
Northeast Congress of Optometry
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Optometric Extension Program
KEY FACULTY: Curt Baxtrom, Jason Clopton, Rob Fox
CE HOURS: 12
LOCATION: Westford Regency Inn and Conference Center, 219 Littleton Rd.
CONTACT: Kathleen Prucnal
northeastcongressofoptometry@gmail.com
978-597-5227
www.northeastcongress.com
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Sept. 15-17, Tuscany, Italy
CE in Italy/Europe
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: James Fanelli
key faculty: william monaco, leonard mesnier, james fanelli, joseph pizzimenti
CE HOURS: 12
LOCATION: Residence Le Santuccie Castiglion Fiorentino
CONTACT: James L Fanelli
jamesfanelli@ceinitaly.com
910-452-7225
www.ceinitaly.com

Sept. 17-18, * Glendale, AZ
AZ-AAO CE Meeting
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Arizona Chapter American Academy of Optometry
CE HOURS: 6
LOCATION: Midwestern University Arizona College of Optometry, 19555 N 59th Ave.
CONTACT: Brianna Ryff
arizona.aaopt@gmail.com
aaopt.org/membership/us-and-
international-chapters/azchapter

Sept. 17-19, Louisville, KY
KOA Fall Conference
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Kentucky Optometric Assn.
CE HOURS: TBD
LOCATION: Marriott East Hotel Louisville, KY
CONTACT: Sarah Unger
sarah@kyeyes.org; 502-875-3516
www.kyeyes.org

Sept. 18-20, Florence, Italy
CE in Italy/Europe
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: James Fanelli
KEY FACULTY: Leonard Messner, Joseph Pizzimenti, William Monaco, James Fanelli
CE HOURS: 12
LOCATION: Hotel Silla, Historic Center of Florence Italy
CONTACT: James Fanelli
jamesfanelli@ceinitaly.com
910-452-7225
www.ceinitaly.com

Sept. 19, Fullerton, CA
Joint SCCO, USC, VA Symposium
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: MBKU, SCCO with USC and the Department of Veterans Affairs
CE HOURS: 8
LOCATION: Marshall B. Ketchum University, SCCO, 2575 Yorba Linda Blvd.
CONTACT: Bonnie Dellatorre
cce@ketchum.edu
714-449-7495
www.ketchum.edu/ce

Sept. 19, Hershey, PA
CPOS Fall Forum
FORMAT: in-person (subject to change)
HOST: CPOS
CE HOURS: 6 (pending approval)
LOCATION: Hotel Hershey, 100 Hotel Rd.
CONTACT: Erin Heinly
cposrsrp@gmail.com

Sept. 22-25, Las Vegas
Vision Expo West
FORMAT: in-person (subject to change)
HOST: Reed Exhibitions and The Vision Council
KEY FACULTY: Mark Wright, Stephanie Woo, Murray Fingeret, Joseph Pizzimenti, Paul Chous, Whitney Hauser
CE HOURS: Total: 320, max. per OD: 28
LOCATION: Sands Expo & Convention Center, 201 Sands Ave.
CONTACT: Hayley Rakus

* dates subject to change
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hrakus@thevisioncouncil.org
703-740-1094
east.visionexpo.com

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Sept. 23-26,* Middelton, WI
Wisconsin Optometric Assn. Convention & Annual Meeting
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Wisconsin Optometric Association
KEY FACULTY: Danica Marelli, Joseph Shovlin, Steven Ferrucci
CE HOURS: 22
LOCATION: Marriott Madison West, 1313 John Q Hammons Drive
CONTACT: Joleen Breunig
joleen@woa-eyes.org
woa@woa-eyes.org

Sept. 26-Oct. 2,* Florida Keys
Tropical CE Florida Keys
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Stuart Autry
CE HOURS: 20
LOCATION: Ocean Reef Club, 201 Ocean Reef Dr.
CONTACT: Brandi Thorpe
bthorpe@tropicalce.com
281-979-5418
tropicalce.com

Sept. 28-30, Taormina, Sicily
CE in Italy/Europe
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: James Fanelli
KEY FACULTY: Lorraine Lombardi, Joseph Pizzimenti, William Monaco, James Fanelli
CE HOURS: 12
LOCATION: Hotel Villa Schuler, Historic Center Taormina, Sicily
CONTACT: James Fanelli
jamesfanelli@ceinitaly.com
910-452-7225
www.ceinitaly.com

Sept. 30–Oct. 1, Bloomington, IN
Indiana Optometry’s Fall Seminar
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Indiana Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 14
LOCATION: Indiana Memorial Union, 900 E. 7th St.
CONTACT: Bridget Sims; 317-237-3560
blsims@ioa.org
www.ioa.org

SEPTEMBER 2021 EVENTS

September means Labor Day, back to school and, for the optometry profession, an annual trip to Las Vegas for one of the biggest continuing education meetings of the year, Vision Expo West. In 2020, we rolled snake eyes and the event didn’t happen. Will luck be a lady in 2021?

Hosted by Reed Exhibitions and The Vision Council, VEW 2021 will be held from Sept. 22-25 at the Sands Expo & Convention Center. The conference will offer a total of 320 CE hours, and attendees can earn up to 28 continuing education credits.

VEW 2021 will also feature some stars on the lecture circuit including Mark Wright, Stephanie Woo, Murray Fingeret, Joseph Pizzimenti and Paul Chous.

Doctors will be able to attend lectures and hands-on workshops on topics ranging from allergy, amblyopia, binocular vision, comanagement, contact lenses, corneal/conjunctival disease, corneal surgery, cataract surgery, diabetes, dry eye, eyelid/adnexa, glaucoma, laboratory testing, neuro-ophthalmic disorders, nutrition and the eye, ocular infections, optical dispensing, pediatric eye care, pharmacology, practice management, retinal disorders, refractive surgery, sports vision, systemic disease, technology, uveitis and vision therapy.

Additional information on Vision Expo West’s educational programming and special features will be announced soon, so be sure to check back with VEW for more details as they come available.

For more information, contact Hayley Rakus, hrakus@thevisioncouncil.org, 703-740-1094, or go to east.visionexpo.com.
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October, date TBD, Miami
Trifeca in Ocular Disease
FORMAT: hybrid in-person and virtual
HOST: Trifecta in Ocular Disease, Diana Shechtman
CE HOURS: 8
LOCATION: Miami Four Seasons, 1435 Brickell Ave.
CONTACT: dianashe@comcast.net

Oct. 2-3, * Mescalero, NM
New Mexico Optometric Association Mid-Year Convention
FORMAT: not set at this time
HOST: New Mexico Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 8
LOCATION: Inn of the Mountain Gods, 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd.
CONTACT: Richard Montoya
newmexicooptometry@gmail.com
575-751-7242
www.newmexicooptometry.org

Oct. 5<sup>®</sup>
New Tech Webinar Series
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Review Education Group
CE HOURS: 1
LOCATION: TBD
CONTACT: reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com

Oct. 7-9, Columbus, Ohio
EastWest Eye Conference
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: EastWest Eye Conference
KEY FACULTY: Anthony DeWilde, DeAnn Fitzgerald, Nathan Lighthizer, Mika Moy, Jim Thimons, Anthony Litwak
CE HOURS: Total: 79, maximum per OD: 25
LOCATION: The Columbus Convention Center, 400 North High St.
CONTACT: Jordan Quickel
jqquickel@oaa.org
614-781-0708
www.eastwesteye.org

Oct. 9-10, Austin, TX
CE in Austin
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: University of Houston College of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Pat Segu
CE HOURS: 16
LOCATION: DoubleTree by Hilton Austin, 6505 N. Interstate Hwy 35
CONTACT: UHCO CE Office
optce@central.uh.edu
713-743-1900
ce.opt.uh.edu

Oct. 1-3, * State College, PA
POA Fall Educational Congress
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: PA Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 20
LOCATION: Days Inn State College, 240 S. Pugh St.
CONTACT: Ilene Sauertieg
ilene@poaeyes.org
717-233-6455
www.poaeyes.org

Oct. 7-10, Branson, MO
Missouri Optometric Association Annual Convention
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Missouri Optometric Association
KEY FACULTY: Anthony DeWilde,
Jordan Keith, Mitch Ibach
CE HOURS: 16
LOCATION: Branson Convention Center, 200 S. Sycamore
CONTACT: Lee Ann Barrett
moaed@moeyecare.org
573-635-6151
www.moeyecare.org

Oct. 8-9, * Rogers, AR
Arkansas Optometric Association Fall Convention
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Arkansas Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 12
LOCATION: Embassy Suites, 3303 Pinnacle Hills Pkwy
CONTACT: Debbie Henley
aroa@arkansasoptometric.org
501-661-7675
arkansasoptometric.org/conventions.html

Oct. 12<sup>®</sup>
New Tech Webinar Series
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Review Education Group
CE HOURS: 1
LOCATION: TBD
CONTACT: reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com

Oct. 13-14, * Lansing, MI
MOA Fall Seminar
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Michigan Optometric Association
CE HOURS: TBD
LOCATION: Lansing Center
CONTACT: Michigan Optometric Association
info@themoa.org
517-482-0616

EDUCATION TOPICS
AL Allergy
Am Amblyopia
Bin Binocular vision
CM Comanagement
CL Contact lenses
CC Corneal surgery
CT Cataract surgery
DB Diabetes
DG Dry eye
EL Eyelids/adnexa
GL Glaucoma
LT Laboratory testing
NS Neuro-ophthalmics
MT Nutrition & the eye
RT Refractive surgery
OV Ocular infections
DS Optical dispensing
PD Pediatric eye care
PM Pharmacology
PN Practice mgmt.
RE Retinal disorders
RS Refractive surgery
SV Sports vision
TE Technology
UA Uveitis
VT Vision therapy

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Oct. 14-15, Coralville, IA
Hawkeye Optometric Institute
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Iowa Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 12-14
LOCATION: Marriott Coralville Hotel & Conference Center, 300 E. 9th St.
CONTACT: Jill Gonder
jillg@iowaoptometry.org
800-444-1772
www.iowaoptometry.org

Oct. 14-16, Coeur d’Alene, Idaho
Idaho Optometric Physicians Annual Congress
FORMAT: not set at this time
HOST: Idaho Optometric Physicians
KEY FACULTY: Ron Melton, Randall Thomas, (others TBD)
CE HOURS: total: 30, maximum per OD: 18
LOCATION: The Coeur d’Alene Resort, 115 S 2nd St, Coeur d’Alene
CONTACT: Lisa White
execdir@iopinc.org
208-890-3556
idaho.aoa.org/events

Oct. 16-17, Fort Worth, TX
CE in Fort Worth
FORMAT: hybrid in-person and virtual
HOST: University of Houston College of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Mark Gonzalez
CE HOURS: 16
LOCATION: Dallas/Fort Worth Marriott Hotel & Golf Club at Champions Circle,
3300 Championship Pkwy
CONTACT: UHCO CE Office
optce@central.uh.edu
713-743-1900
cceopt.uh.edu

FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Review Education Group
CE HOURS: 1
LOCATION: TBD
CONTACT: reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com

Oct. 22-24,* New York City Envision New York Conference
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: SUNY College of Optometry
CE HOURS: 20
LOCATION: SUNY College of Optometry, 33 West 42nd Street
CONTACT: Betsy Torres
ce@sunyopt.edu
212-938-5830
www.sunyopt.edu/cpe

Oct. 26*, New Tech Webinar Series
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: Review Education Group
CE HOURS: 1
LOCATION: TBD
CONTACT: reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com

Oct. 29-30, Wisconsin Dells, WI
Wisconsin Optometric Association Primary Care Symposium
FORMAT: not set at press time
HOST: Wisconsin Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 9
LOCATION: Glacier Canyon Lodge
45 Hillman Rd.
CONTACT: Joleen Breunig
joleen@woa-eyes.org
woa@woa-eyes.org

Oct. 30-31, Richmond, VA
VOA Fall Conference
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Virginia Optometric Association
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: Omni Richmond
100 S 12th St.
CONTACT: Sarah Keeney
office@thevoa.org
804-643-0309
www.thevoa.org

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Academy 2021 Aims for a Boston CE Party

The American Academy of Optometry’s annual meeting is always one of the highlights of the CE year, for both its educational program and in-person community building. When the Academy switched to a virtual format for its 2020 meeting, abandoning plans to congregate in Nashville, organizers didn’t quite know what to expect. Turns out, it actually expanded the reach of the meeting. In a normal year, the Academy typically has attendees that hail from 15 countries, but the virtual platform in 2020 allowed them to grow their audience to include over 55 countries.

By late 2021, perhaps live events will be once again be the norm and the Academy can return to its traditional format. If so, expect a trip to Boston, Nov. 3-6, and a reunion with old friends. But the organization is keeping its options open, working behind the scenes to pivot plans as needed in the current meeting landscape.

“As we head into the Academy 2021 Boston meeting, we understand the environment continues to shift based on the scientific data. We will continue to monitor and remain fluid in our planning process, to ensure we meet each and every year, either live, virtually, or a combination of both,” says Pete Scott, CEO of the Academy. “I am confident that this upcoming annual meeting will continue to set new expectations for educational, business and networking experiences in optometry.”

Academy 2021 Boston will feature a wide array of relevant CE courses and cutting-edge research in the clinical and vision sciences. While the amount of CE hours in 2021 is currently to be determined, attendees typically can choose from over 250 hours of lectures and workshops, section and special interest group symposia, hundreds of scientific papers and posters, and many social events. Specific details about Academy 2021 will become available as the meeting approaches, but attendees can expect some outstanding staples of an Academy meeting: the popular Plenary session, the Ezell Fellows Present lecture, the symposium on neuro-ophthalmic disorders, the Prentice and Fry Lectures, the Monroe J. Hirsch Research Symposium and the annual Academy Awards program.

Course topics will include everything in the optometrist’s playbook: allergy, amblyopia, binocular vision, comanagement, contact lenses, corneal/conjunctival disease, corneal and cataract surgery, diabetes, dry eye, eyelid and adnexal disease, glaucoma, laboratory testing, neuro disorders, nutrition and the eye, ocular infections, optical dispensing, pediatric eye care, pharmacology, practice management, retinal disorders, refractive surgery, sports vision, systemic disease, technology, uveitis and vision therapy.

For more information, contact Betty Taylor at bettyt@aaoptom.org, 321-319-4861 or go to www.aaopt.org.
Nov. 10,* New York City
SUNY Applied Basic Science
FORMAT: virtual
HOST: SUNY College of Optometry
CE HOURS: 2
LOCATION: online
CONTACT: Betsy Torres; 212-938-5830
ce@sunyopt.edu
www.sunyopt.edu/cpe

Nov. 12-14, Sedona, AZ
AZOA Fall Congress
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Arizona Optometric Assn.
CE HOURS: 14-16
LOCATION: Hilton Sedona Resort
90 Ridge Trail Dr.
CONTACT: Kate Diedrickson
kate@azoa.org
www.azoa.org/connect

Nov. 19-20, Tulsa, OK
NSUOCO & OAOP Fall Congress
FORMAT: in-person
HOST: Oklahoma College of Optometry and Oklahoma Association of Optometric Physicians
CE HOURS: 10
LOCATION: Marriott Tulsa Hotel, Southern Hills, 1902 E 71st St.
CONTACT: Callie McAtee or Heatherlyn Burton
mcateec@nsuok.edu
heatherlyn@oaop.org
918-316-3602, 405-524-1075
oklahoma.aoa.org

Nov. 20-21, San Antonio, TX
CE in San Antonio
FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual
HOST: U. Houston Col. of Optometry
KEY FACULTY: Matthew Kauffman
CE HOURS: 16
LOCATION: The Westin Riverwalk, 420 W Market St.
CONTACT: UHCO CE Office
optce@central.uh.edu
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**Dec. 2-5, Lake Buena Vista, FL**
Optometric Management Symposium

FORMAT: in-person  
HOST: Pentavision  
KEY FACULTY: April Jasper  
CE HOURS: total: 45, max. per OD: 25  
LOCATION: Disney’s Grand Floridian, 4401 Floridian Way  
CONTACT: Maureen Trusky; 215-514-3729  
maureen.trusky@pentavisionmedia.com  
onference.com

**Dec. 4-5, Houston**

Connea, Contact Lens & Contemporary Vision Care Symposium

FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual  
HOST: University of Houston College of Optometry  
KEY FACULTY: Jan Bergmanson  
CE HOURS: 16  
LOCATION: The Westin Houston, 945 Gessner Rd.  
CONTACT: UHCO CE Office  
optce@central.uh.edu; 713-743-1900  
ce.opt.uh.edu

**Dec. 10-11**

OGS Winter Meeting

FORMAT: not set at press time  
HOST: Review Education Group and Optometric Glaucoma Society  
CE HOURS: 12  
CONTACT: reviewmeetings@medscapelive.com

**Dec. 12, Fullerton, CA**

Contemporary Topics in Optometry

FORMAT: hybrid in-person/virtual  
HOST: MBKU, SCCO  
CE HOURS: 8  
LOCATION: 2575 Yorba Linda Blvd.  
CONTACT: Bonnie Dellatorre  
ce@ketchum.edu; 714-449-7495  
www.ketchum.edu/ce

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If you don’t see your favorite continuing education meeting listed in the monthly calendar of this supplement, be aware that several planners are still finalizing details about their events, so be sure to check back with these organizations as further information comes available. Here’s an overview of several mainstays of optometric CE that may yet materialize on the 2021 schedule. All claims and descriptions come from the groups themselves, culled from the organizers’ websites.

Optometric Education Consultants (OEC)
The philosophy of OEC is to help optometrists enhance care of their patients through timely, clinically pertinent and highly interactive education. OEC assembles top clinical educators to deliver high-quality COPE-approved continuing education in a relaxed, comfortable setting.

CE COURSES: 2021 locations are: Scottsdale, AZ, Minneapolis, MN, Jacksonville, FL, Quebec City, Mackinaw Island, Nashville, TN
www.optometricedu.com

EyeFlyFish
This meeting was founded in 1991 by ODs and avid fly fishers Charlie Griffen and Mark Boas with the goal of combining high quality optometric CE with fishing adventures. Past programs have been held in Boiling Springs, PA, Estes Park, CO, and Cody, WY. Fly fishing legend Joe Humphreys was featured in the initial program, and more recent meetings have included fly fishing celebrities George Daniel and Scott Sanchez.

CE COURSES: The 2021 program will be returning to Rocky Mountain National Park in July. Exact dates and details will be announced in early January.
eyeflyfish.com

PSS EyeCare
This group provides quality educational programming to optometrists at reasonable fees, in an environment that fosters asking questions and interactions with the speakers.

CE COURSES: Speakers are always well known in the field and have a vast knowledge of their chosen topic. In 2021, the group will have the following six live weekend meetings: Niagara Falls, NY, Tyson’s Corner, VA, Mystic, CT, Orlando, FL, Atlanta, GA, Los Angeles, CA. Dates and speakers TBD.
www.psseyecare.com

University of Missouri–St. Louis College of Optometry (UMSL)
For 40 years, the UMSL has educated compassionate, competent optometrists who serve their communities with pride. UMSL Optometry has a true “family feel” that encourages students to become lifelong learners while providing excellent care to their patients. UMSL’s high quality continuing education offerings provide practitioners with valuable knowledge and skills.

CE COURSES: The University of Missouri–St. Louis College of Optometry typically offers three CE events during the year: a spring Nutrition Symposium co-sponsored by the Ocular Wellness and Nutrition Society, a coding update and a disease or contact lens update in late summer.
www.umsl.edu/divisions/optometry/CE%20Courses/index.html

Illinois Optometric Association (IOA)
The mission of the IOA is to protect and advance optometry for the benefit of public health.

CE COURSES: The state of Illinois allows all 30 hours of required CE to be completed online either by live, real-time presentations or through prerecorded video provided by approved CE sponsors. The IOA will publish online CE courses to meet these requirements for Illinois licensed optometrists.
ininois.aoa.org

North Dakota Optometric Association (NDOA)
The NDOA exists to unite the optometrists within the state of North Dakota, to establish closer relationships among its members, to improve the art and science of optometry, to maintain high standards within the profession, to promote better public understanding of the profession, to foster cooperation and understanding.

MORE CE WE MAY SEE in 2021

Undecided but undeterred, these groups might add events if circumstances allow.
between doctors of optometry and allied health care professionals and to ensure the citizens of North Dakota access to complete eye care services.

CE COURSES: As is typical of the uncertainties with upcoming group meetings for 2021, the North Dakota Optometric Association is planning a Spring Virtual CE meeting, but no date or agenda has been determined. As well, the NDOA is hopeful for an in-person CE and Annual Congress in the fall of 2021; however, again no date has been determined.

www.ndeyecare.com

Optometry Association of Louisiana (OAL)
The OAL provides excellence in eye care to citizens in all of Louisiana. Providing full service eye care, including laser surgical procedures, citizens in rural areas of the state receive the same cutting edge eye care as those in the more urban areas.

CE COURSES: Programs offered by the OAL are primarily therapeutic in nature but courses covering all aspects of the practice of optometry are included.

www.optla.org

Montana Optometric Association (MOA)
The MOA continuously elevates and enhances the profession of optometry and the quality of care to patients served.

CE COURSES: The MOA provides OD and staff education with meetings held throughout the year.

www.mteyes.com

Optometric Extension Program Foundation (OEPF)
The OEPF is an international organization, founded in 1928, dedicated to the advancement of the discipline of optometry through the gathering and dissemination of information on vision and the visual process. Its mission is to advance human progress through research and education on vision, the visual process, and clinical care.

CE COURSES: OEPF typically offers numerous meetings throughout the year that focus on vision therapy.

www.oepf.org

Professional Eye Care Associates of America (PECAA)
PECAA was founded in 2006 by three independent ODs in Portland, OR. Since that time, PECAA has expanded from a small, Northwest-based organization to one of the nation’s premier doctor alliance groups.

CE COURSES: PECAA generally holds an annual meeting in addition to numerous regional meetings throughout the year offering a broad range of CE topics.

www.pecaa.com

Nova Southeastern University School of Optometry
The College of Optometry prepares optometric physicians to practice at the highest level of proficiency, integrity and professionalism.

CE COURSES: Cover a broad range of topics in primary eye care.

www.nova.edu

New Jersey Chapter, American Academy of Optometry
The NJ Academy Chapter generally holds several meetings throughout the year featuring a broad range of CE topics.

www.aaopt.org/membership/us-and-international-chapters/njchapter

Ohio State College of Optometry
Focused on optometric education and vision research.

CE COURSES: Cover a broad range of topics in primary eye care.

optometry.osu.edu

Southern College of Optometry (SCO)
The mission of SCO is to lead the profession by educating the best possible healthcare providers, promoting lifelong learning and fostering a personal commitment to service.

CE COURSES: Cover a broad range of topics in primary eye care.

www.sco.edu

UIW Rosenberg School of Optometry
The institution’s focus and mission is to teach, train and graduate a new generation of clinically expert, culturally competent and actively caring optometrists and patient advocates. UIW educates and treats communities across Texas and beyond, with a special emphasis on underserved populations.

CE COURSES: Cover a broad range of topics in primary eye care.

optometry.uiw.edu

Miami-Dade Optometric Physicians Association (MDOPA)
The MDOPA’s mission is to advance the profession of optometry through education, professional development and public policy advocacy. The MDOPA is the only voice that speaks for optometry in Miami-Dade County and the only force that works to protect the interests of optometrists and their patients.

CE COURSES: Miami Nice CE event, broad range of CE topics.

www.miamieyes.org/home2.aspx

Redwood Empire Optometric Society
This society encompasses the Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Napa and Sonoma Counties and the surrounding regions. Its mission is to advance and promote the profession of optometry and to provide members with the resources and support needed to provide the highest level of vision care.

CE COURSES: Cover a broad range of topics in primary eye care.

reovision.com

New England College of Optometry (NECO)
NECO is an optometry school that prepares the next generation of eye care providers, educators, and innovators through a rigorous curriculum and extensive clinical experiences. NECO graduates compassionate and skilled optometrists prepared to practice in diverse settings.

CE COURSES: Cover a broad range of topics in primary eye care.

www.neco.edu

Connecticut Association of Optometrists (CAO)
The CAO is the professional association of optometry in Connecticut.
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CE COURSES: Cover a broad range of topics in primary eye care.

Final Eyes CE
This is a continuing education event hosted by Florida Eye Cares. The organization’s website says the 2021 meeting will be held on Feb. 7. Check back with the organization’s website for confirmation and further details.

CE COURSES: Cover a broad range of topics in primary eye care.

Windsor Laser Eye Institute
The Institute is world-renowned for its work and contribution in vision correction procedures. The Institute is committed to providing the most advanced technology in LASIK surgery to produce superior results for patients.

CE COURSES: Northern American Vision Symposium annual meeting.

Maryland Optometric Association (MOA)
The MOA serves as the voice of optometry in Maryland to protect doctors and their patients. It advocates, educates and connects optometrists by strong advocacy efforts, providing premier educational resources and engaging events that bring doctors and industry partners together.

CE COURSES: Annual convention.

Alabama Optometric Association (ALOA)
The association is the only organization representing the interests of optometrists in Alabama. For over 100 years, the ALOA has been dedicated to protecting and advancing the profession of optometry.

CE COURSES: Cover a broad range of topics in primary eye care.

Indiana University School of Optometry
IU is home to the most comprehensive and advanced eye health education, research and patient-care available, with an emphasis on outreach to our most vulnerable populations.

CE COURSES: The organization offers several CE events throughout the year on a broad range of topics.

American Academy of Orthokeratology and Myopia Control (AAOMC)
The AAOMC is a passionate community with a mission to evolve the modern practice. The organization teaches doctors at Vision By Design how to bring specialty care to their practice, helping their patients manage myopia and improving the practitioner’s bottom line by building a loyal patient base in need of a different kind of eye care provider.

CE COURSES: Virtual meetings offered throughout 2021 with CE available including “Ortho-K Boot Camp for Newcomers” and more.

Kansas Optometric Association (KAO)
The KOA serves more than 650 doctors of optometry across the state and around the country. It serves as a membership resource for information and educational opportunities, provides valuable public information about vision-related topics and delivers a unified voice about issues affecting the profession.

CE COURSES: Cover a broad range of topics in primary eye care.

I Can See Clearly Foundation
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CE COURSES: Cover a broad range of topics in primary eye care.

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Kensington Optometry
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