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Still Time to Register and Save! AOMA 40th Annual Fall Seminar: Virtual Streaming

Come Together and Dig On! at the AOMA 40th Annual Fall Seminar - Virtual Streaming. Join us November 6-8, 2020 from the comfort of your home or office. Registration includes on demand access to the recorded lectures after the live event.

The Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association (AOMA) is accredited by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) to provide osteopathic continuing medical education for physicians. The AOMA designates this program for a maximum of **20 hours of AOA Category 1-A CME credits** and will report CME credits commensurate with the extent of the physician's participation in this activity.

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME). The Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association is accredited by ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

AOMA designates this live activity for a maximum of **20 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

This Live activity, AOMA 40th Annual Fall Seminar: Come Together and Dig On, with a beginning date of 11/6/2020, has been reviewed and is acceptable for up to 20.0 Prescribed credit(s) by the **American Academy of Family Physicians**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their



participation in the activity.

Timely topics include COVID-19 update, telemedicine, physician burnout, and more. Download the full agenda [here](#).

Avoid late registration fees! Register online by November 5, 2020 at www.az-osteo.org/Fall2020

Osteopathic Medical Profession Fights Back After CNN, MSNBC Mischaracterize DOs

Earlier this month, when President Donald Trump reported his COVID-19 diagnosis and was subsequently hospitalized, White House Physician and Navy physician Sean Conley, DO, provided the press with updates on the president's illness and treatment. The ensuing media spotlight on Dr. Conley resulted in unfortunate mischaracterizations of DOs that appeared, among other outlets, on CNN and MSNBC's Rachel Maddow Show.



To set the record straight, the AOA deployed an aggressive communications response aimed at correcting inaccuracies in the media and combatting the spread of misinformation on social media by challenging those who made false statements about the profession to #GetItRight.

To read the full article and learn how to get involved in setting the record straight click [here](#).

AOF Emerging Leader Award

AOMA Vice President Brandon Abbott, DO, MPH, FAAP, has been named one of the nation's Top Ten Emerging Leaders selected by the American Osteopathic Foundation. The awards recognize state osteopathic leaders whose accomplishments and actions have been instrumental in motivating and inspiring others for the betterment of the osteopathic profession and public health.

Dr. Abbott is a pediatrician at North Country Health Care (NCHC) in Flagstaff, Arizona. He was a member of the first graduation class from A.T. Still University School of Osteopathic Medicine in Arizona (ATSU SOMA).

Congratulations Dr. Abbott!



Pandemic Vaccine Provider Registration

The Arizona Immunization Program Office (AIPO) does not know if/when COVID-19 vaccines will become available. However AIPO wants to be prepared and engage its partners now, so the State is ready when vaccines are available for distribution in Arizona.

It is not necessary have worked with ADHS or AIPO in the past. The office is eager to sign up physicians and other health care professionals to ensure the network is adequate when a vaccine is made available. Registration involves completing the [Pandemic Provider Onboarding survey forms](#). The purpose of the forms is to ensure providers know the requirements and that their facilities are able to meet the requirements.

The process for physicians has a few steps, but if you have staff that would simply like training on vaccine administration or how to report to the Arizona State Immunization Information System (ASIS), [free training](#) is available.

Please [register](#) today to assist in this effort.



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[Free Training on Mass Vaccination](#)

Are you helping your local fire department or EMS program plan and execute a mass flu immunization clinic? Are you starting to think about how your community will distribute COVID-19 vaccine to large groups of people?

The Arizona Partnership for Immunization (TAPI) is offering Mass Immunization Training for personnel responsible for managing PODS (program directors and managers). Additional sessions will be added to this series once we have specific COVID-19 vaccine guidelines.

October 22, 2020

9:00 to 10:30 am

Managing Day-Of Operations: Tools and Resources to Keep Patients and Staff Safe

Register online at <https://whyimmunize.org/mass-immunization-trainings/>

[AzPHA 6th Annual Adolescent Health and Wellness Summi](#)

The Arizona Public Health Association (AzPHA) invites you to attend the 6th Annual Adolescent Health and Wellness Summit. Kathy Hoffman, Arizona Superintendent of Schools, is the Keynote Speaker.

When: Friday, October 30, 2020
9:00 am to 3:30 pm

Where: Virtual Event - Via Zoom

Cost: Free for AzPHA Members
\$25 for Non members (includes AzPHA annual membership (a \$74 value)

Register: <http://azpha.wildapricot.org/event-4001553>

Agenda topics include:

- Adolescent Health & Schools
- Adolescent Behavioral Health Needs & COVID
- Adolescent Health & Access to Care
- Adolescent Health & Vaccines
- Advocacy and Policy Impacting Adolescent Health & Wellness
- Updates on Adolescent Health & Wellness during a Pandemic

Space is limited to please reserve your spot today. For more information, contact AzPHA at willhumble@azpha.org.

[Kierland Commons Night Run to Benefit Don't Be a Chump, Check for a Lump!](#)

October is National Breast Cancer Month. The Kierland Night Run 5k returns with a new course within the Kierland Westin Golf Resort, a new socially-distanced staggered start, & more! And **YES**, it is a **LIVE EVENT**. Run or walk around the Kierland Westin Golf Resort during a safe, socially-distanced event featuring a staggered start where each runner (or family/consenting friends) gets their own start line - you'll be called up and announced at 30-second intervals! 6-foot spaced cones will lead you up to the start line, and at the finish line sealed medals will be provided by a masked, tested race official. We'll do everything we can to keep you safe while asking for everyone's support to do the same.

Join us on November 13, 2020 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Entry fee is \$25 if registered by October 16th. All proceeds benefit the Don't Be a Chump, Check for a Lump! cancer charity.



[SIGN UP TODAY!](#)

[And the Winner Is....](#)

Congratulations to David Tessler, DO, a gastroenterologist in Mesa, Arizona. Dr. Tessler updated his member profile on the AOMA website and was entered into the member drawing for a \$100 VISA gift card.



Update your profile by January 31, 2021 for a chance to win! You could be our next winner.

A red and white advertisement for SoFi. The text reads: "Feeling stuck with your current private student loans? Members receive a 0.25% rate discount when refinancing with SoFi". There is a "Learn More" button. The SoFi logo is in the top right. The background features a laptop with a graph on the screen and a coffee cup on a desk.

Patients are Looking for YOU!



Update Your Profile!

One of the benefits of AOMA membership is the **Find a Physician** public directory search. Make sure your practice information is up to date by logging in to your member profile on the AOMA website. When you do, prospective patients and potential referring physicians will be able to find you.

Join AOMA

Not an AOMA Member?

Join today and be a part of the 99-year tradition of the Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association!

Membership in AOMA is an affordable vehicle to keep abreast of national and local issues, protect your professional practice, enhance your specialized skills, further your career, and be a part of the future of osteopathic medicine in Arizona.

Refer a new AOMA member and receive at \$100 credit. Go to www.az-osteo.org/Recruit

Arizona Vaccine News



AzDHS Vaccine Newsletter

CDC Immunization Schedules

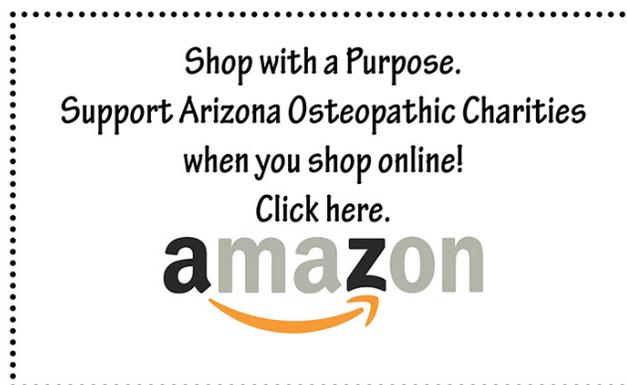
2020 T.I.P.S. Training is ONLINE

AOMA Calendar of Events-www.az-osteo.org

AOMA Board of Trustees Meeting - Saturday, October 24, 2020 - Virtual Meeting

AOMA 40th Annual Fall Seminar - November 6 - 8, 2020 - Virtual Event

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