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With the state of emergency declared at the national and state levels regarding COVID-19, the Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association Board of Trustees met today. After a very thorough evaluation and thoughtful discussion, and in the interest of public health and patient safety, the Board made the decision to reimagine the AOMA 98th Annual Convention as a “virtual convention” so that you may still earn your necessary continuing medical education credits while protecting your health and the health of others. AOMA has recorded its live conferences via webcast software for the past four years so moving to the livestream event is a logical and viable alternative.

What this means for you

- The AOMA 98th Annual Convention originally scheduled to be held at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Scottsdale Resort on April 1-5, 2020 is cancelled as a **live event**.
- The AOMA 98th Annual Convention will be livestreamed online for the original five days April 1- 5, 2020 as a “**virtual convention**”.

- This “virtual convention” is still eligible for AOA Category 1A credits and *AMA PRA Category 1 creditsTM*.
- During the livestream event, you will be able to ask questions of the speakers via the webcast platform.
- In addition to the livestream event, you will have access to the full agenda of lectures on an on-demand basis for 30 days after the event.
- The virtual convention schedule and instructions for accessing the lectures will be sent to you via email within the next 10 days.
- AOMA staff will be available to assist you with accessing both the live webcast and the playback.

The AOMA Professional Education Committee and staff have worked diligently over the past year to provide a relevant and professional CME experience. Being able to offer this **Virtual Convention** is just one example of how the AOMA responds to the needs of its members.

We invite you participate in the "virtual convention" by registering at www.az-osteo.org/2020conv. We will all miss the social aspects of the Convention but we can all be together in spirit as we persevere through this unprecedented global health emergency.

Questions? Call the AOMA office at 602-266-6699 or email communications@az-osteo.org.

[Expedited Licenses from the Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners](#)

Arizona Governor Doug Ducey issued a State of Emergency and Executive Order 2020-07 on March 11, 2020, regarding Proactive Measures to Protect Against COVID-19. As it becomes increasingly important to have an abundant and licensed healthcare profession to aid in the COVID-19 situation, the Arizona Osteopathic Board staff wishes to highlight the paths to temporary licensure that exist in statute. In accordance with A.R.S. §32-3124, A.R.S. §32-1834, and A.A.C. R4-22-201, 202 and 206, individuals can apply for a temporary license with the Board to aid in the diagnosis and treatment of COVID-19 in Arizona.

Board staff has updated the application and made it available online for expedited processing. It can be found on the [Board website](#) under "Important Board Information" near the bottom of the page at www.azdo.gov.

Please contact 480-657-7703 or Licensing@azdo.gov with any questions or if you wish to have an application emailed to you.

[Free Telemedicine Platform for Arizona Physicians](#)

As Coronavirus (COVID-19) continues to spread in the United States and around the world, CompuGroup Medical (CGM) is providing the company's telemedicine platform, CGM ELVI, for free to Arizona physicians for six months. The level of uncertainty in dealing with this acute situation among doctors, practice staff, and patients is high. CGM ELVI is a highly secure, web-based video-consultation solution that is designed for situations just like this. Video consultations can help protect physicians and slow the expansion of the virus across the wider patient population.

As a web-based product, CGM ELVI works regardless of the EHR system a practice uses. This

innovative form of telemedicine is easy and quick to implement, and the CGM ELVI app is also conveniently available for patients who prefer to use their mobile devices.

The use of this service was ultimately made possible by Governor Doug Ducey's recent public health emergency declaration and corresponding executive order, which not only promotes the use of telemedicine in Arizona but also requires that co-pays for telemedicine visits be lower than co-pays for typical in-person visits, among other things.

Download the CGM ELVI brochure [here](#).

To learn more about this offer, click [here](#) and/or call CGM at (602) 680-2255.



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AOMA 98th Annual Convention - April 1-5, 2020

AOMA Board of Trustees Meeting - June 13, 2020



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