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California Orthopaedic Association

QME Course & Annual Meeting

Hilton Universal City

May 1-4



16 Category 1 CME Hours
8 QME Hours
10 ABOS SAE Hours
10 Radiation Safety Hours

Embracing Innovation,
Collaboration, and Population
Health: Pioneering the Future of
Musculoskeletal Care

celebrating COA's 50th
Anniversary

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Join us at the 2025 Annual Meeting & QME Course, where we'll commemorate **five decades of advancing orthopaedic care and innovation.**



Raymond Raven, MD,
MHCI, MBA,
COA President



Milton Little, MD
Program Co-Chair



James Chen, MD
Program Co-Chair

We've curated an exceptional program to enhance your orthopaedic knowledge. We also have a special **Presidential Speaker – Ezekiel Emanuel, M.D.**, a renowned global leader in health policy and bioethics. Dr. Emanuel has been at the forefront of healthcare innovation, sharing transformative ideas to elevate patient care.

Earn valuable CME credits:

- 16 Category 1 CME hours
- 8 QME CME hours
- 10 ABOS MOC credits
- 10 CME hours in radiation safety

Network and connect with colleagues and friends from across California.

We're thrilled to host this year's event at the Hilton Universal Hotel, a perfect blend of professional growth and Hollywood adventure.

Step out of your room to experience the magic of Universal Studios or Warner Bros. Studios. Relax under the Californian sun by the outdoor pool, or indulge in gourmet dining with breathtaking views of the Hollywood Hills.

Bring your family! This venue promises fun for everyone, combining professional enrichment with unforgettable moments in Hollywood.

Don't miss this milestone celebration of education, networking, and adventure.

Sign up now! We can't wait to see you in Hollywood!

CME Accreditation

ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

The California Orthopaedic Association is accredited by the California Medical Association (CMA) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The California Orthopaedic Association designates this live activity for a maximum of **16 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™]**. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. The California Orthopaedic Association takes responsibility for the content, quality, and scientific integrity of this CME activity.

10 of these credits also qualify for **CME in radiation safety**; and **4** of the 10 credits qualify for **fluoroscopy certification** required by California state law and the Radiologic Health Branch.

ABOS MOC CREDITS:

This meeting will be accredited for **10 ABOS MOC scored and recorded Self-Assessment Examination (SAE) credits**.

You must take a post-meeting test to receive the credits.

QME CME CREDITS:

The QME Course is accredited for **8 hours of Qualified Medical Evaluator (QME) CME credit hours**. COA is provider #100.

TARGET AUDIENCE

This program has been designed for the general orthopaedic surgeon to instruct them in the latest research and best practices in: Practical AI Applications in Orthopaedics, Great Debates and Updates in Hand/Upper Extremities, Trauma Injuries, Total Joints, Sports Medicine, and Foot and Ankle.

The QME course will update physicians on disability evaluation issues involving Upper, Lower, and Spine injuries and how QMEs/AMEs must address important case law in their reports. Mock trials will also be held during the course.

Orthopaedic Surgeons and other Orthopaedic Team members are encouraged to attend.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

- Be updated on new AI musculoskeletal applications.
- Understand the patient's social dependents that can affect patient care and recommend tools to address these issues.
- Learn how to protect patient records from ransomware attacks.
- Help orthopaedic surgeons understand new orthopaedic innovations and what to expect in MSK healthcare in the next 5 years.
- Update orthopaedic surgeons on new orthopaedic procedures and techniques.
- Help orthopaedic surgeons handle common trauma cases.

This activity is in compliance with California AB 1195 which requires continuing medical education activities with patient care components to include curriculum in the subjects of cultural and linguistic competency. Cultural competency is defined as a set of integrated attitudes, knowledge, and skills that enables health care professionals or organizations to care effectively for patients from diverse cultures, groups, and communities. Linguistic competency is the ability of a physician or surgeon to provide patients who do not speak English or who have limited ability to speak English, direct communication in the patient's primary language.

Hotel/Travel

CONFERENCE HOTEL

Hilton Universal City

555 Universal Hollywood Drive,
Universal City, CA 91608

COA Group Rate
\$269 single or double

To make a reservation at the group rate,
call: 1-818-506-2500 or click below

<https://annualmeeting.coa.org/hotel/>

Hotel Amenities/Nearby Attractions

- On Site Dining including “Seven On the Hill” restaurant
- EV charging
- Hilton Honors
- Across the street from

Universal Studios

A must visit destination in Hollywood with thrilling rides and attractions based on popular movies - Harry Potter, Jurassic Park, Transformers, Minions, and Mario to name only a few. Take a Studio Tour for a behind-the-scenes look at a real working movie studio. Roller coaster rides for all ages. Visit **City Walk** for family-friendly restaurants and shops.

- Near **Warner Bros. Studios**

Highlights and presents the history of classic movies and popular TV shows with live sets you can visit, costumes, and props in an expanded and new modern studio location. Very hands on. Have fun on their interactive video stations designing your own movie clips. Mentioned

Take advantage of COA-discounted tickets for both Universal Studios and Warner Bros. Studios Tour.

Nearest Airport

Hollywood Burbank Airport is only 4 miles from the hotel.



Other Local Activities

The Hollywood area is packed with fun activities for a family vacation!

Here are some more top picks all within a short drive from the Hotel:

Griffith Park/Hiking

Spanning over 4,210 acres, Griffith Park has something for everyone.

- The Griffith Observatory - with planetarium, the Leonard Nimoy Event Horizon Theater, and free public telescopes. Star and planet gazing in the evenings.
- Los Angeles Zoo
- The Autry Museum of the American West
- Steam Powered Trains
- Historic Merry-go-Round
- Hike around the Park or to the iconic Hollywood Sign

Madame Tussauds Hollywood

Wax Museum

Really well done life-like wax figures. The wax figures are interactive and scattered throughout the Museum rooms, so that you feel like you are standing right next to the celebrity.

Pose for fun selfies with your favorite celebrities.

Visit the **Hollywood Walk of Fame** right outside the Museum and find your favorite celebrity "Star."

Hollywood Bowl

A popular location to see a show or performance.



Moderator: Paul Wakim, DO

7:30 AM	Registration Breakfast/Networking with Exhibitors	Sierra Ballroom Foyer
8:00 AM	Practical Ways to Improve Your Medical-Legal Reports - DWC Rater Perspective	Mark Evans, DWC Rater
8:30 AM	Important Principles in Performing an Upper Extremity Evaluation	Richard Braun, MD
9:00 AM	Important Principles in Performing a Lower Extremity Evaluation	Tye Ouzounian, MD
9:30 AM	Important Principles in Performing a Spine Evaluation	TBD
10:00 AM	Networking with Exhibitors	Expo Hall
10:30 AM	New Cases and Important Case Law from the WCAB	Dane Gilliam, JD Bentley & More
11:30 AM	Expectations of a QME/AME	
	Defense	Gary Sax, JD Bradford & Barthel, LLP
	Applicant	Keith More, JD Bentley & More, LLP
12:30 PM	Lunch	
12:45 PM	Exhibitor-Sponsored Educational Session	
1:15 PM	Mock Trial - Presiding Judge Robert Rassp	Judge Robert Rassp
	Case 1	Gary Sax, JD - Defense
	Case 2	Keith More JD - Applicant
2:15 PM	Add or Combine Impairment - Kite and Vigil Cases	Judge Robert Rassp Paul Wakim, DO
3:15 PM	Networking with Exhibitors	Expo Hall
3:45 PM	Required Elements in a Medical-Legal Report DWC Process of Reviewing Medical-Legal Reports What Gets a QME/AME in Trouble?	George Parisotto, DWC Administrative Director *
4:15 PM	How to Avoid Unconscious Bias When Performing an Evaluation	Lesley Anderson, MD
4:45 PM	AME vs QME - Which One is Preferred by the Parties?	TBD
5:15 PM	Raffle - Win tickets to Universal Studios/Warner Bros. Studios (Must be present to win) Adjourn	

*Invited not yet confirmed

7:00 AM	Registration	
7:00 AM	Breakfast/Networking with Exhibitors	
7:30 AM	Exhibitor-Sponsored Educational Session	
8:00 AM	Presidential Speaker	Moderator: Ray Raven, MD, MHCI, MBA
	Innovation and Equity in Orthopedics ... Orthopaedic Care in 2030	Ezekiel Emanuel, MD
	Round Table Discussion	Michael Suk, MD, JD, MPH, MBA
	- What's the Future for Orthopaedic Surgeons in Private Practice or Employed Arrangements?	Basil Besh, MD
	- How Will it Affect Patient Care?	Michael Klassen, MD
	- How Can We Help Shape the Changes?	Ronald Navarro, MD
	- How Can We Prepare for Change?	
	Q&A	
9:00 AM	Protecting your Medical Records from Being Hacked – How to Reduce Your Risk?	Dipak Reddy
9:10 AM	Q&A	
9:20 AM	Smart Investing for Orthopaedic Surgeons	Kimberly Workman, MD
9:40 AM	Break Networking with Exhibitors	
10:10 AM	Employment and Collaboration with Healthcare Systems - Tools for Success and Mutual Benefit	Moderator: Russell Nord, MD
	Employed/Foundation Model	Brad Graw, MD *
	Collaborating with Hospitals and Healthcare Systems: Navigating and Optimizing Incentives and Partnerships	Derek A. Haas*
	Know Your Worth - The Power of Benchmarking Data	Russell Nord, MD
	Private Practice Alignment with a Hospital or Healthcare System - Pearls and Pitfalls	Robert Fields, MD*
11:10 AM	Optimizing the Value that you Bring to Your Institution Panel and Q&A (Same faculty as Surgeon Reimbursement Models)	Moderator: James Chen, MD
11:40 AM	Exhibitor-Sponsored Educational Session	
12:10 PM	Lunch	
	Practical AI Applications in Orthopaedics	Moderator: Milton Little, MD
12:40 PM	Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare: Fundamentals and Practice Application - Where we came from and where are we now?	Ray B. Raven, MD, MHCI, MBA
1:00 PM	AI Medical Assistant	Charles M. Lawrie, MD, MSc; FIOS Health
1:20 PM	Predictive Analytics - Machine Learning Predicting Hip Fractures	Anirudh Gowd, MD
1:40 PM	AI in the Operating Room - Accuracy and Efficiency	Sean Rajae, MD
	Q&A	
	Cultural Competency	
2:00 PM	Impact of Value-Based Care - Social Dependents of Health and How to get Paid	Erica Taylor, MD
2:15 PM	Why Does it Matter in Small Groups and Practices	Nicole Mitchell, MBA, CDP
2:30 PM	What is the Role of an In-Clinic Social Worker, Why is This Important	Caryn Lindsey, LCSW, PMH-C
2:45 PM	Q&A	
3:00 PM	Break Networking with Exhibitors	
3:30 PM	Keynote Speaker - The Future in Orthopaedics	Michael Suk, MD, JD, MPH, MBA
	Blue Shield Shared Savings Program - Is it Working?	Moderator: Michael Klassen, MD
4:00 PM	What did We Do to Earn Savings?	TBD
	Who is Participating in the Ortho Program? Have They Received Shared Savings?	Laura Fox, Blue Shield*
	Q&A	
4:30 PM	Residency Programs - How They Help Enhance Your Practice and Elevate Orthopaedic Care	Moderator: Guy Paiement, MD
		William Holmes, MD*
		Thomas Golden, MD*
		Tal David, MD
5:00 PM	Empowering Physicians: Unleashing the Art of Advocacy in Your Practice	
5:15 PM	US Senator Alex Padilla *	
5:30 PM	State Legislation Update	
5:45 PM	Adjourn	
6:00 PM	Hollywood Glam Presidential Reception	Kim Stone, Esq
		Sierra Patio



Clinical Day 1

Saturday May 3

Sierra Ballroom

- 6:00 AM **5K Fun Walk & Run - Meet in hotel lobby**
- 7:00 AM Registration
- 7:00 AM **Breakfast/Networking with Exhibitors**
- 7:30 AM **Resident Award Papers**
J. Harold LaBriola, MD Resident Award
Lloyd W. Taylor Resident Award
The Luskin Orthopaedic Institute for Children
OREF Resident Award
Q&A
- 8:00 AM **Regenerative Medicine**
- 8:30 AM **Great Debates and Updates - Hand/Upper Extremity**
Distal Radius Fractures: To Fix or Not?
Proximal Humerus Fractures: Watch, Fix, Replace?
Humeral Shaft Fractures: Did Sarmiento Get it Right?
Case Discussion | Q&A
- 9:30 AM **Break Networking with Exhibitors**
- 10:00 AM **Great Debates and Updates - Trauma**
Periprosthetic Distal Femur Fractures: Decisions
Tibial Plateau Fractures - But What About Your Total Knee Replacements?
Young to Middle Aged Femoral Neck Fractures
Case Discussion | Q&A
- 11:00 AM **Challenging Trauma Cases for the General Orthopaedist**
How Intertrochs, Pertrochs, and Subtrochs Go Wrong?
It's Just a Tibial Nail. What Can Go Wrong?
Femoral Nails: Retrograde or Antegrade?
Case Discussion | Q&A
- 12:00 PM **Adjourn**

11:00 AM -
12:00 PM

Resident and Fellow lunch session - Press Room
How to Adjust to life as an Attending

Johnny (Juntian) Wang, MD
Rebecca Burr, MD
Kelsey Bonilla, MD
Meghan McCullough, MD
Landon Polakof, MD
Orrin Franko, MD

12:00 pm

Golf Tournament

Brookside Golf Club

7:00 pm

Seafood Buffet Gala Dinner

Cafe Sierra - Hilton Hotel

Moderator: Milton Little, MD
Lincoln Yee, MD
Sierra Ballroom Foyer

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Donald Buford, MD
Moderator: Ryan DellaMaggiore, MD
Eugene Tsai, MD

Carol Lin, MD MA
John Garlich, MD

Meghan McCullough, MD

Moderator: Charles Moon, MD
Donald Desanto, MD

James Learned, MD

Joseph Patterson, MD
Kelsey Bonilla, MD

Moderator: Joshua Gary, MD
Henry Goodnough, MD
Damayea Hargett, MD
Sarah Blumenthal, MD
Jason Davis, MD

7:00 AM

Registration

7:00 AM

Breakfast/Networking with Exhibitors

7:30 AM

Business Meeting

8:00 AM

Resident Award Papers | COA Resident Awards

8:30 AM

Radiation Safety Unique to Orthopaedics

9:30 AM

Latest Trends and Technologies In Joints

What is the target in TKA?
 Mechanical, Kinematic or Somewhere in Between?
 Hitting the target in TJA: Advances in Enabling
 Technologies in Hip and Knee Replacement Surgery
 Making Spinopelvic Analysis Simple in THA
 Dual Mobility - Don't Stress Hitting the Target,
 Make it Bigger!
 Q&A

10:30 AM

Break Networking with Exhibitors

10:45 AM

Great Debates and Updates - Sports Medicine

ACL repair: Where did we Come From and
 Where are We Going?
 Orthobiologics and Innovations in Non-Operative
 Sports Medicine
 Orthobiologics and Augmentation in Operative
 Sports Medicine
 Innovation and Augmentation in Shoulder Surgery
 Q&A

11:45 PM

Great Debates and Updates - Foot and Ankle

Posterior Malleolar Fractures, Evolving Indications
 for When and How to Fix
 Current state of Total Ankle Replacement,
 New Gold Standard Versus Fusion?
 Achilles repair : Open Versus Percutaneous/MIS
 Syndesmosis - Assessing Reduction and Types of Fixation
 Q&A

12:45 PM

Final Raffle (Must be present to win)
 Adjourn

Moderator: James Chen, MD
 Sierra Ballroom Foyer

Ray Raven, MD, MHCI, MBA

Moderator: James Chen, MD

Isabel Newton, MD

Moderator: Scott Ball, MD

Stefani Bini, MD

Alexander Sah, MD

Nathanael Heckman, MD

Erik Zeegen, MD

Moderator:
 Natasha Trentacosta, MD
 Jonathan Koenig, MD

Keith Feder, MD

Ronna Parsa, DO

Sharon Hame, MD

Moderator:
 Ajay Gurbani MD
 Max Michalski, MD

Eric Tan, MD

Tom Harris, MD

Arash Aminian, MD

Social Events

The Glamour of Hollywood - Makeup Class

Friday May 2 | 2:00 pm
Press Room | \$40 pp

Glam up for the Presidential Reception.

Join us for an exclusive makeup class led by a Hollywood makeup artist! This special event is designed for spouses who want to learn the best techniques for applying makeup. Our expert will guide you through the latest trends and tips to enhance your beauty routine. Plus, you'll receive a goodie bag for you to try some products at home. Don't miss this opportunity to get some insider secrets from the pros!

Wine and appetizers included.



Welcome Presidential Reception

Friday May 2 | 6:00 pm
Sierra Garden Patio | Hilton Hotel
\$75 pp **(One ticket included in your registration.)**

celebrating COA's 50th Anniversary
Presidential Reception, an evening of

Hollywood glitz and glamour.

Join us on the red carpet and get your picture taken by the paparazzi.

It's the perfect opportunity to celebrate and shine together. Let's make it an evening to remember!

Be part of this unforgettable milestone event as we toast 50 years of excellence and success. Your presence will add to the magic of the night!



COA's 50th
Anniversary
join us in Hollywood 2025

Social Events



5K Run | Walk

Saturday May 3 | 6:00 am
Hotel Lobby | Complimentary

Join us for a fun 5K Run in the City Walk at Universal Studios. All ages are welcome to participate, Registration is free and participants receive complimentary t-shirts and refreshments.

Stretch and Refresh: Morning Yoga by the Pool

Saturday May 3 | 10:00 am
Hotel Pool | \$40 pp

Join us for a Mobility yoga class and light breakfast, by the pool. A refreshing way to start your day - breakfast and a gentle Iyengar yoga session. This special event is the perfect opportunity to relax, rejuvenate, and connect with fellow spouses. We look forward to seeing you there!

Breakfast and complimentary yoga mat included.



Golf Tournament

Saturday May 3 | 12:00 pm

Brookside Golf Club
\$130 per player (Green Fees/Cart)
Lunch and transportation on own.

Brookside is a classic Los Angeles course near the Rose Bowl. The club features two 18-hole championship courses, a clubhouse, golf shop, restaurant, putting greens, and a driving range. With its stunning location in the Arroyo Seco natural area, Brookside Golf Club provides a picturesque setting for golfers of all skill levels.



You are invited to COA's

Seafood Buffet

Gala Dinner

Saturday May 3 | 7:00 pm

Cafe Sierra | Hilton Hotel

Join us for a local favorite an all-you-can-eat seafood buffet.

Don't miss out on this sumptuous feast that promises to tantalize your taste buds and provide the perfect backdrop for networking and relaxation. We look forward to seeing you there!

Bon appétit!

\$160 per person



Registration Form

Name: _____ Email: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Spouse/ Family Member Name If Attending: _____

COA Annual Meeting / QME Course – May 1-4, 2025

	Member		Non-Member		Resident/Fellow
	Early	Late	Early	Late	
Annual Meeting/QME Course	\$750	\$850	\$1050	\$1150	Comp
QME Course Only	\$425	\$475	\$525	\$575	Comp
Annual Meeting Only	\$650	\$750	\$750	\$850	Comp
ABOS SAE	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$100	Comp

Ortho Team Members/Practice Managers

	Early	Late
Annual Meeting/QME Course	\$500	\$600
QME Course Only	\$325	\$375
Annual Meeting Only	\$460	\$560

**Early Registration Ends
on April 2, 2025**

**One Reception ticket included with
your Annual Meeting registration.
Purchase additional tickets below.**

Social Activities

Tickets Total

Guest Lunch Ticket - Thursday/Friday - \$60 per ticket per day		
Make-up class - Wine & Snacks will be provided. Friday May 2 - 2:00 pm \$40 per ticket		
Presidential Reception - COA's 50th Anniversary Friday May 2 - 6:00 pm (1 ticket included with registration) Additional Tickets: \$75 per ticket		
5k Fun Run/Walk - Saturday May 3 - 6:00 am - Complimentary Shirt Size: S M L XL		
Stretch and Refresh Morning Yoga - Saturday May 3 - 10:00 am \$40 per ticket Includes breakfast and yoga mat		
Golf Tournament - Brookside Golf Club - Saturday May 3 12:00 pm \$130 - Includes Green Fees/Cart Handicap: _____ Handicap: _____		
Gala Dinner - Seafood Buffet - Saturday May 3 7:00 - 10:00 pm Dinner: \$160 - Adults \$?? Children (5-12)	A: C:	
Tickets to Universal Studios - \$115 (limited quantities available) Only for Saturday May 3		
	TOTAL:	\$

Payment Information: Check Credit Card Invited Speaker

Card # _____ Expiration Date: ____/____ Security Code: _____

Signature _____

916-454-9884

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Make your hotel reservations online at annualmeeting.coa.org or by calling the Hilton 1-818-506-2500.

COA Registration Cancellation Policy: Prior to 4/1/25 subject to \$50 Cancellation Fee. No refunds after 4/1/25.