

MID-YEAR FORUM APRIL 21–24, 2010 WASHINGTON, DC



2010 MID-YEAR FORUM

Function: April 21-24, 2010

Location: Capital Hilton, 1001 16th St., NW

Attendance: 400 ophthalmologists who are leaders in the Academy or other ophthalmology organizations, including ophthalmic state societies and subspecialty societies.

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The American Academy of Ophthalmology is an international member association of more than 29,000 ophthalmologists; physicians who provide comprehensive eye care, including medical, surgical and optical care.

The Academy's Mission: To advance the lifelong learning and professional interests of ophthalmologists (Eye M.D.s) ensuring that the public can obtain the best possible eye care.

Purpose of Mid-Year Forum: To have a forum for the leadership of the Academy and allied organizations

- To identify and discuss critical issues facing ophthalmology, in order to provide input and advice to the Academy Board of Trustees.
- To educate and update participants about Academy activities so that they may better serve as effective Academy leaders and representatives.
- To encourage cross-fertilization, communication, and cooperation among the leadership of ophthalmology.

INVITED ACADEMY LEADERSHIP

Board of Trustees: The board is the policy-making body of the Academy. It determines the future direction of the organization and allocates the necessary resources to accomplish those objectives.

Council: The Council is an advisory body to the Board of Trustees. Concerns and ideas of the membership can come to the board and management of the Academy through the Council, which provides recommendations for board action. The Council is composed of two groups: one, which represents state societies (70 seats) and another, which represents subspecialties and specialized interests (32 seats). Representatives are elected by their respective organizations.

Secretariats/Committees: Secretariats and committees develop and implement specific programs that address the long-range objectives of the Academy.

Other Invited Ophthalmology Leaders: Presidents, Presidents-Elect, Executive Directors and EVPs of ophthalmic state, subspecialty and specialized interest societies.

Members in Training (Residents/Fellows): sponsored by ophthalmic state, subspecialty/specialized interest societies and ophthalmology training programs via the Advocacy Ambassador Program.

Major Functions of the Academy: Clinical Education, Governmental Affairs, Ophthalmic Practice, Member Services, Global Alliances, Communications, Organizational Services, Meetings and Exhibits, and Charitable Foundation

