

Academy Notebook

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Leadership Development Program Welcomes Its 20th Class

The Academy's Leadership Development Program (LDP) XIX held its graduation session during AAO 2017 in New Orleans. Concurrently, the Academy's 20th LDP (LDP XX) class met in an orientation session led by LDP director **Linda M. Tsai, MD, Dr. Tsai** joined the LDP XX class during a Jan. 12-14 meeting in San Francisco along with participants from the complementary leadership program of the Pan-American Association of Ophthalmology. In addition to visits to Academy headquarters to hear from **Keith D. Carter, MD**, Academy President, and **David W. Parke II, MD**, Academy CEO, the LDP participants attended 2½ days of interactive sessions on association management and leadership topics.

TAKE NOTICE

Your Academy's Year in Review

Academy leadership, staff, and countless volunteers work hard to provide you with the best member experience. Find out what the Academy achieved in the last year on all fronts, including advocacy, education, public service,



LEADERSHIP AND ADVOCACY. *Renee C. Bovelleville, MD, LDP XX participant nominated by the Maryland Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons, jots down notes during an LDP session.*

and more. The 2017 Year in Review highlights some of the Academy's achievements:

- launched the David E.I. Pyott Glaucoma Education Center on the ONE Network
- introduced physician wellness resources on aao.org and at AAO 2017
- fought for ophthalmology's best interests in state and federal affairs

Read about these accomplishments and more at aao.org/yearinreview.

Submit Your Research to *Ophthalmology*

Ophthalmology, the Academy's flagship journal, publishes clinical and scientific research. Its unbiased peer-review process, advancement of innovation and discovery, and promotion of lifelong learning make it the leader in ophthalmic journals. With an impact factor of 8.2 and a print circulation of 27,000 subscribers, you can reach a larger audience than ever before.

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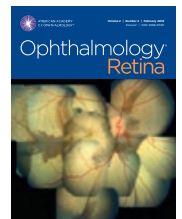
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The Latest Advances in Retina Delivered Monthly

Expanding to 12 issues per year in 2018, *Ophthalmology Retina* gives you access to the growing volume of important clinical advances in both medical and surgical retina. The journal will continue to feature high-impact articles, enabling you to stay on top of the latest developments in retina-focused medical therapy, imaging, surgery, technology, and science. Academy members receive a discounted rate of \$299 for 12 issues.

To subscribe, visit aao.org/store.

To submit a paper, visit aao.org/retinajournal.



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Register for Next Month's Ophthalmologists Business Summit

Join us on March 24 and 25 in Dallas for the Academy's first-ever Ophthalmologists Business Summit. Developed to help physician leaders overcome key business challenges, the summit addresses a need consistently raised by members for practice management training, especially relating to health care reform, reimbursement issues and electronic health records. Register by Feb. 28 to get a special rate and start planning for a prosperous future.

Register at aao.org/business-summit.

Order the 2018 Coding Update Webinar Recording

If you missed last month's important 2018 Ophthalmology Coding Update webinar, you can order the recording and get up-to-date on this year's coding changes and audit regulations. This 1-hour webinar covers significant revisions of diagnostic tests and procedures, deleted CPT and HCPCS codes, Medicare payment updates impacting ophthalmology, and more.

For more information, visit aao.org/store.

MEETING MATTERS

Join the Academy in Chicago for AAO 2018

Come to Chicago for AAO 2018 (Oct. 27-30) and Subspecialty Day (Oct. 26-27) to learn about game-changing research, techniques, and technologies. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the Pan-American Association of Ophthalmology, and it will take place at McCormick Place.

For more information about AAO 2018, visit aao.org/2018.

AAO 2018 Abstract Deadlines: Papers/Posters and Videos

To present at AAO 2018, you must submit abstracts online. The abstract submitter for papers/posters and videos opens March 8 and closes April 10.

Find abstract guidelines for videos and paper/posters at aao.org/presentercentral.

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Be Heard! Attend Mid-Year Forum 2018

The Mid-Year Forum is one of the Academy's most significant yearly meetings, bringing the ophthalmology community together to implement the highest quality of care for patients through politics, policy, and practice management. Mid-Year Forum 2018 takes place April 18-21 in Washington, D.C., and it is an ideal opportunity to directly advocate for your profession, learn about health care policy changes that will impact how you practice, and develop strategies to implement new patient care programs.

Congressional Advocacy Day—meet legislators at their place of business. On April 19,

from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., attend Academy-facilitated meetings with your members of

Congress and their staff to advocate for your patients and the profession of ophthalmology. The Academy will brief you on talking points during dinner on April 18.

Politics. Policy. Practice management. On April 19 and 20, attend sessions on the changing role of the Veterans Health Administration; the scientific advancements and practice insights of the IRIS Registry; private equity and equity transfers; how to handle information overload; drugs in 2018 (access, pricing, and payment); the future of artificial intelligence in ophthalmology; and more.

Academy Council meeting. Beginning the afternoon of April 20 and continuing through the next day, unite with your colleagues from ophthalmic subspecialty and state societies to discuss issues facing our profession. The Academy Council meeting is also an opportunity to advise the Board of Trustees on what you view as the highest priorities for the Academy.

Register. Mid-Year Forum 2018 is open to all Academy members, and preregistration is available until April 3 at aao.org/myf_registration. The registration fee is \$225 through March 6 and \$325 as of March 7 and onsite, and the fee includes Mid-Year Forum materials and event-specific meals. There is an option to register to participate only in Congressional Advocacy Day for free.



TAKING TO THE CAPITOL. The Academy's 2018 President, Keith D. Carter, MD, with 2017 Advocacy Ambassador Program participants at Mid-Year Forum 2017.

AAO 2017 Archives

Visit Meeting Archives to access course handouts, find scientific poster abstracts, watch Videos on Demand, view syllabi from Subspecialty Day, download a list of companies that participated in

the exhibition, and more. You can also find listings of Best Original Papers. Additional materials are posted as they become available.

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