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# A NEW VISION FOR AAO 2020

## Significant Changes to Program

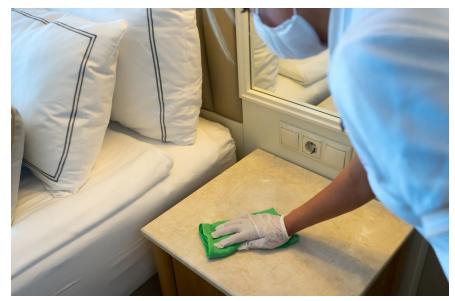
New this year: AAO 2020 will end on Monday, not Tuesday. The main program of AAO 2020 will take place from Saturday, Nov. 14, to Monday, Nov. 16.

This will be preceded by the Opening Session, which has been moved to the evening of Friday, Nov. 13. Further, the Academy is standardizing many course times to help you better schedule your learning and breaks. This will allow time to visit the Exhibition, which will be open Saturday to Monday. Whether you attend AAO 2020 in person or online (see "The Virtual Meeting Has Been Expanded," below), you can expect quality programming.

The Academy is closely monitoring developments with the COVID-19 pandemic. Necessary changes are being made to better meet your needs and to implement recommended safety protocols.

New cleaning and physical distancing protocols. Know that your health and safety are the Academy's top priority. The layout of all session rooms, labs, and public areas are under review to increase physical distancing. New sanitation and cleaning procedures are being implemented for all areas of AAO





UPDATES TO AAO 2020. Your health and safety are the Academy's top priority. New sanitation and cleaning procedures are being implemented for all areas of AAO 2020 and the Sands Expo/Venetian. To learn more about the Venetian Clean Commitment, head to venetian.com/resort/venetian-clean.html.

2020. The Academy is working with hotels and the convention center to follow all recommendations from local health districts, the CDC, and the World Health Organization.

#### REGISTRATION

### Register and Reserve Your Hotel Room

**Register now.** Members can register today for AAO 2020, Subspecialty Day meetings, and the American Academy of Ophthalmic Executives (AAOE) Coding Sessions. Registration for nonmembers opens July 8.

Aug. 12 is the early registration fee deadline. Fees increase starting Aug. 13.

**Find more information,** including fees, at aao.org/registration.

Reserve your hotel room. The Academy has negotiated with hotels in Las Vegas to bring you the best rates. When you book your hotel room with the Academy's official hotel reservation

provider, Expovision, you get not only the lowest price available but also hotel loyalty points.

Find more hotel reservation information online at aao.org/hotels.

Fraud alert! Several companies pretending to be associated with the Academy and AAO 2020 may appear in web searches or contact you via email. These companies claim that they can book hotel rooms and/or register you for the Academy's annual meeting, but they are unaffiliated with the Academy. Book only through the Academy's website or through AAO 2020's official hotel reservation provider, Expovision.

#### **PROGRAM**

# The Virtual Meeting Has Been Expanded

The Academy is committed to bringing you the highest level of educational content you've come to expect from the annual meeting, whether you attend

AAO 2020 in person in Las Vegas or virtually. In 2020 the Virtual Meeting will be expanded to provide more content than in previous years. Should the need arise, this platform will be used to convert the meeting to 100% virtual.

### **Access Program Search**

Program Search is an online tool to find course information and abstracts. Look up information by day, topic, special interest, or presenter.

Ready to build a schedule or select favorite sessions? Log in on the search page to add items to your calendar. Later, when you log into the Mobile Meeting Guide, your calendar will transfer automatically, so you can easily view your schedule in Las Vegas.

Note: You can browse the program without logging in, but you must log in to use the calendar to build your schedule.

Visit aao.org/programsearch.

# Don't Miss These Meetings on Demand Benefits

When you register for a Subspecialty Day meeting, you will receive complimentary access to the Meetings on Demand product that includes presentations captured from all eight Subspecialty Day meetings. When you purchase the Academy Plus course pass you will automatically have complimentary access to Meetings on Demand presentations recorded during AAO 2020 and the AAOE Program. View more information at aao.org/annual-meeting/aao-on-demand.

#### **Revised Total CME Credits**

Because AAO 2020 closes a day earlier than in the past, the Academy is designating a maximum of 26 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits for those attending AAO 2020 Saturday-Monday, plus an extra 3 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits for Friday's AAOE master classes. For Subspecialty Day, a maximum of 14 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits will be available for the two-day Retina meeting and a maximum of 7 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits for each of the one-day meetings.

**Learn more** at aao.org/annual-meet ing/cme.

#### SUBSPECIALTY DAY

### New Subspecialty Day Dates

Subspecialty Day remains on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 13-14, but several meetings will shift to Friday to make room for more AAO 2020 content on Saturday.

### The following meetings will now be on Friday, Nov. 13:

- Glaucoma Subspecialty Day 2020
- Ocular Oncology/Pathology Subspecialty Day 2020
- Pediatric Ophthalmology Subspecialty Day 2020
- Refractive Surgery Subspecialty Day 2020
- Retina Subspecialty Day 2020 (two-day meeting)
- Uveitis Subspecialty Day 2020
   Three Subspecialty Day meetings
   will be on Saturday, Nov. 14:
- Cornea Subspecialty Day 2020
- Oculofacial Plastic Surgery Subspecialty Day 2020
- Retina Subspecialty Day 2020 (two-day meeting)

Subspecialty Day registration is separate from AAO 2020 registration. Learn more at aao.org/subspecialty-day.

# Subspecialty Day Previews: What's Hot

This month, program directors from the Subspecialty Day meetings preview some of this year's highlights. View the schedules at aao.org/programsearch.

#### Oculofacial Plastic Surgery 2020: Back to the Basics With Tips and Tricks

**Program Directors:** Jeremiah P. Tao, MD, and Catherine J. Hwang, MD.

It's back to the basics at this year's Oculofacial Plastic Surgery Subspecialty Day. Presenters will offer diagnostic and treatment tips and tricks for a broad range of orbit, eyelid, and facial cosmetic surgeries. One session will spotlight masquerade syndromes and other must-not-miss pathologies. Thyroid eye disease management will be explored, including recently approved teprotumumab infusions. Expert speakers will offer pearls for blepharoplasty, ptosis repair, and growing an aesthetics



practice. Other talks will explore grafts and flaps for periocular and orbital reconstruction as well as tips for the management of scars. Additional practical presentations include

"Pain Management in the Post-Opioid Era" and "Ergonomics in Oculoplastics." The meeting will be valuable to ophthalmologists with or without oculofacial plastic surgery fellowship training.

The Oculofacial Plastic Surgery meeting is organized in conjunction with the American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery.

### Refractive Surgery 2020: Celebrating 2020

**Program Directors:** George O. Waring IV, MD, and Burkhard Dick, MD.

The Refractive Surgery Subspecialty Day has always been about fascinating techniques and new developments. In 2020, the program will use the various refractive indications as the "anchors" of the sessions.

The day will start with myopia, a classic indication for refractive surgery, which will become even more important with the increasing prevalence of this refractive error throughout the world, particularly in Southeast Asia. After turning to hyperopia, the next session will be devoted to the final frontier in refractive surgery: presbyopia. As always, the video session, chaired by Amar Agarwal, MD, is sure to be a highlight, as it focuses on the many challenges the refractive surgeon has to overcome. This topic alone has potential for "a long day" (as Dr. Agarwal's own video is titled). And no attendee should miss Richard L. Lindstrom, MD's, keynote lecture, "Thoughts on the Future of Cataract Surgery and IOL Implants." It will be a reminder that in the field of ophthalmology, with its proud history of technological advances, progress never stops—and the next exciting innovation is just around the corner. There will also be keynote lectures by Daniel S. Durrie, MD, and William J. Link, PhD.

Refractive Surgery Subspecialty Day is also the annual meeting of the International Society of Refractive Surgery.