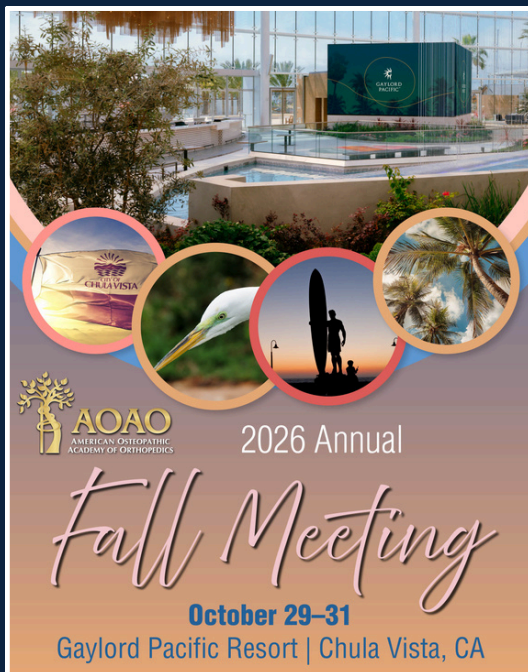


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Our Annual Fall Meeting is this month!



Join us in
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*Exploring the Role of AI
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Top News

Registration rates increase on
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Meeting in Chula Vista, California!

Enter Meeting Event Code: NY4HJ

Incoming President, Miles L. Singer, DO, FAOAO

Dr. Singer is a spine surgeon practicing at a number of hospitals in the metropolitan Detroit area. He also serves as an Assistant Clinical Professor, Department of Osteopathic Surgical Specialties at the College of Osteopathic Medicine Michigan State University.

Dr. Singer has served on the AOA Board of Directors since 2017 and will be sworn in as President of the Academy on Friday, October 30 during the Awards Ceremony.



A Few of the **Many Events** You Won't Want to Miss at Our Upcoming Annual Fall Meeting



Keynote Speaker: Wendy Dean, MD

Dr. Dean is the president and co-founder of The Moral Injury of Healthcare, a nonprofit organization addressing the crisis of clinician distress.

Be sure to join us on **Friday, October 30th**, as Dr. Dean unpacks the concept of "Moral Injury."

AOAO Awards Ceremony and Reception

On **Friday, October 30th** following the keynote presentation, the AOA will hold its annual Awards Ceremony.

Attend this event to show support for your colleagues as they are recognized for their achievements in dedication to the Academy and the field of Orthopedics.



Section Lunch and Business Meetings

Throughout our Annual Meeting, your section may be hosting a section specific lunch. For exact date, time and location information, please refer to the **AOAO Meeting Guide**.



Student Lectures and Activities at the 2026 Annual Fall Meeting

The SAOAO is excited to invite you to our specially planned sessions at the upcoming Fall Meeting in Chula Vista, California!

[Click here](#) to register for the Annual Fall Meeting and save with early-bird rates!



Residency Program Fair

The National SAOAO and RAOAO are excited to host a residency program fair at this year's Fall Conference in Chula Vista, California!

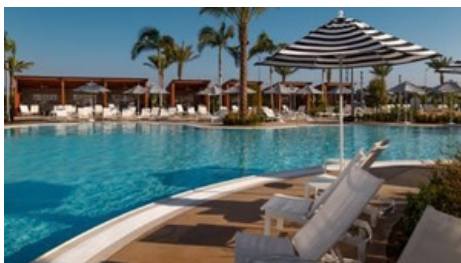
Friday, October 30, 2026
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

RSVP if your program will participate and if representatives can attend in person. If you can't attend but want your program represented or have questions, contact the National SAOAO Conference Chair Caitlin Wetzal at cw427624@ohio.edu



Registration for the program fair is available [here](#).

Plan Your Trip to Chula Vista



Within the Gaylord Pacific Resort, guests can enjoy a full resort experience without leaving the property. The resort features a large water park with multiple pools and slides, a full-service spa for relaxation, and a variety of on-site dining options ranging from casual to upscale. Scenic bayfront walking paths, outdoor gathering spaces, and seasonal entertainment provide additional opportunities to unwind while taking in coastal views. [Learn More.](#)



A diverse collection of more than ten distinctive restaurants awaits at Gaylord Pacific Resort & Convention Center, offering guests an exceptional range of West Coast-inspired dining experiences. From elevated fine dining to relaxed, coastal-inspired cuisine, each venue features thoughtfully curated menus and expertly crafted beverages. [Learn More.](#)

AOAO Committees

This November incoming AOAO President, Dr. Miles Singer, will appoint members for all AOAO Committees.

Click here for [committee descriptions](#).

Ready to be considered?

Fill out the form [here](#) 

Why join a committee?

- It's a great way to give back!
- Provides networking opportunities with colleagues.
- Earn points toward the Award of Fellow.
- We need your voice and your talent to further our mission!

Respond by **Friday, October 31** to be considered!



Resident Resources

Want to know more about the Osteopathic Orthopedic Board Certification Process?

More information about the process and the application open date can be found [here](#).

AOAO Candidate Members can apply for funding toward the cost of the exam.

View funding details [here](#).

Looking to fund your next research project?

Be sure to check out the [AOAO Foundation's](#) list of opportunities for research funding!

What is the RAOAO?

The RAOAO is the Resident branch of the AOAO whose purpose is to unify osteopathic residents of orthopedic surgery through enhanced communication between residents.

Interested in connecting?

Contact info@aoao.org to be connected with the RAOAO leadership



Did you know?

The AOAO offers a dedicated page with answers to common questions about Certification, Recertification, and CME. Access valuable information to support your professional journey.

Visit the FAQ [here](#).



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