



American Osteopathic College
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AOCOPM News, November 2024



President's Report

Dr. Kris Belland, 2024 AOCOPM President provides a year-end review. [Read more.](#)



Did you cast your ballot?

Members were sent an email with a link to the ballot for AOCOPM's 2025 slate of candidates. Voting is open until 5 PM Central Time, November 30, 2024. If you did not receive the email, please check to see if your dues are current.



Fall Vaccine Updates From the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices: New Recommendations

via Medscape
Sandra Adamson Fryhofer, MD

Dr Fryhofer addresses these updated recommendations:

- Pneumococcal vaccination and new lower age-based recommendations
- Additional doses of COVID-19 vaccine
- Meningococcal vaccines and dosing intervals
- RSV vaccine age groups and choices

https://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/fall-vaccine-updates-advisory-committee-immunization-2024a1000k4y?ecd=WNL_trdalrt_pos1_241108_etid6984588&uac=349327MR&implID=6984588



Associations Partner to Address Vaccine Uptake

via Associations Now
By Mark Athitakis

Two associations and a leading nonprofit have partnered with a technology company on a pilot program to identify reasons why U.S. adults avoid vaccination for respiratory diseases.

Last month the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases, a nonprofit that educates the public and healthcare industry about the illnesses, announced the initiative as a partnership with two associations: The Association of Immunization Managers (AIM), which represents federally funded directors of public health and immunization programs, and the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO), representing local public-health workers. Together, the organizations will use publicly available data and original surveys to study why many resist vaccines for diseases like RSV, COVID, influenza, and pneumonia.

https://associationsnow.com/2024/05/associations-partner-to-address-vaccine-uptake/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=rasa_io&utm_campaign=newsletter



Curious about the NYIT-AOCOPM Chapter?

Follow the group on Instagram to see what these busy student members are planning:

https://www.instagram.com/nyit_aocopm/profilecard/?igsh=MTdteG50dWVsZmQ2Mw==



DO Day Call for Speakers and Presentations

The AOA seeks seasoned osteopathic physicians and student advocates to speak and present virtually at DO Day on Capitol Hill 2025! If you want to present a topic virtually on DO Day, let us know by applying today! DO Day attendees can participate in person or join the virtual conference to earn CME, build leadership skills, and represent the voice of your profession.

Be sure to save the date for DO Day 2025:

March 22 - 23, 2025 | Virtual Conference

March 26 - 27, 2025 | In-Person Congressional Meetings

Additional Information & Deadlines:

The application cycle will close in early Jan. 2025. If chosen, speakers will be asked to record their presentation via Zoom, or another platform of their choice, to be submitted to the AOA by Feb. 21, 2025. The content may qualify for CME and will be reviewed by the AOA CME team. Recordings should be approximately one hour long of educational advocacy content, which will "live" on the DO Day virtual platform and available for DO Day registrants to enjoy. Additional information about CME and logistics will be provided if you are selected.

[Submit a Proposal](#)



2025 General Membership Business Meeting

The Annual Membership Business Meeting will be held Thursday, January 9, 2025, 7 PM Central Time. AOCOPM Members, will receive a Zoom invitation via email. It will also be posted in the website [calendar](#), but you must be logged in to see it.



OMED24 on Demand

Experience OMED On-Demand with access to all programming, including 200+ hours of CME from 20 specialties. [Register and access the complete OMED24 program via the virtual platform through Dec. 31.](#) Members may access the PROMO CODE to receive \$100 off the price by logging into the [Member Center](#).



Board Scholarships Available

AOCOPM is offering full scholarships for initial AOBPM certification exams!

Learn more: <https://www.aocopm.org/aobpm-scholarship>



Join Us in St. Petersburg, Florida next April

Mark your calendar and get your travel plans ready to go to sunny St. Petersburg, Florida. Please note that we will have Florida required CME offered for those who choose not to attend the Occupational Medicine Grand Rounds on Thursday.

[Midyear Educational Conference](#), April 10-12, 2025

OPAM Workshop: [Basic Course in Occupational Medicine](#), Part II, April 12-13, 2025

Florida Topics offered on Thursday, April 10, 2025 (one-day registration is available)

[Register for the 2025 Midyear and/or BCII](#)



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