



American Osteopathic College of Occupational and Preventive Medicine
Midyear Educational Conference and
OPAM Workshop: Basic Course in Occupational Medicine, Part III
 North Charleston, SC, March 19-22, 2026
AOCOPM.ORG/MY26

Program Chair: Alan Philippi, DO, MS, FAOCOPM

Thur Mar 19	Topic	Speakers
8:00 - 9:00	Air Traffic Controller Physical Exams and Color Vision	Daniel K Berry, DO, PHD, MS, FAOCOPM
9:00 - 10:00	Health Issues of Healthcare Shift Workers	Nicholas Pennings, DO, FOMA, FACOFP, FAAFP
10:00 - 11:00	IME and Red Flags	Brian McCrary, DO MPH, FAOCOPM
11:00 - 12:00	Long Shoremen and Port Related Issues, Jones Act; Maritime Occ Med	TBA
12:00 - 1:00	Break for lunch service	
1:00 - 5:00	OCC MED GRAND ROUNDS	Port Authority Occ Med Tour. Will be a drive-through guided tour on a Port Authority bus.
5:30-7:00	Reception and Faculty/Fellow Convocation	
Fri Mar 20	Topics	Speakers
8:00 - 9:00	Syndromic Surveillance of Disease	Alexis Stoner, PhD
9:00 - 10:00	Practical Applications of OPP and OMT	Jane Rettos, DO
10:00 - 11:00	cont.	Jane Rettos, DO
11:00 - 12:00	Hyperbaric lecture, Wound Care	Mary Hanley DO, MBA, UHM, CWSP, FAPWCA
12:00 - 12:30	Lunch break	
12:30 - 1:30	Leveraging AI for Preventive Health Services	Regan Stiegmann, DO, MPH, FACLM, DipABLM
1:30 - 2:30	The Future of Occupational Medicine	Laura Gillis, MD, MPH, FACOEM
2:30 - 3:30	Telemedicine in the Occ Med World	Ashley Nandeanu, MD
3:30-4:30	The Future of Preventive Medicine Training	Jeffrey LeBoeuf, EdD
4:30-5:00	Panel Discussion: Occupational Medicine Training and Practice 2030-2035: What will it look like? How will it be funded?	All Friday afternoon speakers
Sat Mar 21	Topics	Speakers
8:00 - 9:00	Emerging Psychiatric Issues in Public Health	TBA
9:00-10:00	TBI - Return to work considerations from an occupational practice perspective	Theodore Cole, MA, DO, CTN, FAAIM, BCIM
10:00 - 11:00	AOA Update	TBA
11:00-12:00	UAV Operators Medical Qualifications	TBA
12:00-12:30	Lunch break	
12:30-1:30	Current Trends and Issues in Environmental Toxicology	James Smith, PhD



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<i>Saturday afternoon sessions are for both MY26 and BCIII registrants.</i> <i>Not familiar with Occ Med? This is an opportunity to learn!</i>		
1:30-2:00	Introduction to AOCOPM, the CAQ and the AOBPM	Scott Everson, DO, MPH, Course Chair
2:00 - 3:00	Reproductive Issues in the Workplace	
3:00 - 4:00	Occupational Cancer Risk	Murray R. Berkowitz, DO, MA, MS, MPH, FAAO
<i>Midyear Conference Ends Now</i>		
<i>Basic Course, Part III, continued</i>		
Sun Mar 22	Presentation Title	Speaker
8:00 - 9:00	Occupational Pulmonary Disorders	Jennifer Benincasa, DO, FAsMA, MPH, MSHCA
9:00 - 10:00	Concussion/Traumatic Brain Injury	Jennifer Benincasa, DO, FAsMA, MPH, MSHCA
10:00 - 11:00	Substance Abuse and Testing	Charles L Werntz, III, DO, MPH, FAOCOPM
11:00 - 12:00	Psychiatric Aspects of Occupational Medicine	Murray R. Berkowitz, DO, MA, MS, MPH, FAAO
12:00 - 1:00	Occupational Metals (working Lunch)	Charles L Werntz, III, DO, MPH, FAOCOPM
1:00 - 2:00	Noise-Induced Hearing Loss	Naomi Wriston, DO, MS, FAOCOPM
2:00-2:30 PM	Q&A, Post-Test Review	Scott Everson, DO, MPH, Course Chair