AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION

OMED®26

Osteopathic Medical Education Conference

Oct. 22-25 • Las Vegas, NV

Attendee Resource Guide



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Viva Las Vegas! Caesars Palace! Come together to experience the distinctiveness of osteopathic education.



I am delighted to meet in person in Las Vegas, Nevada, at Caesars Palace this Oct. 22-25.

The Osteopathic Medical Education Conference (OMED) is the American Osteopathic Association's (AOA) premier educational event. Presented annually, it is a conference that showcases osteopathic medicine across multiple specialties and is planned in conjunction with AOA specialty college affiliates. It brings together the osteopathic community and provides an opportunity for attendees to obtain high-quality education, discuss clinical science and network with one another. In addition, this unique event affords the AOA the opportunity to continue to strengthen its relationship and partnership with osteopathic affiliated organizations, including colleges of osteopathic medicine.

Step into the spotlight with OMED, the only national osteopathic conference that underscores the crucial role of osteopathic physicians. By attending in person, you'll immerse yourself in an enriching environment that fosters fellowship and camaraderie. Dive into a broad spectrum of educational tracks and social networking events tailored to meet your professional needs. Regardless of whether you're a seasoned professional, an up-and-coming physician or an ambitious osteopathic student or resident, OMED is your platform to shine and grow. Join us at OMED for an unmatched experience that will redefine your professional journey!

By attending in person, you'll receive exclusive access to the OMED 2026 virtual platform from the afternoon of Oct. 25 through Dec. 31. The OMED 2026 virtual platform will have much of in-person content in addition to bonus virtual sessions from seven additional specialties.

On behalf of the entire Council of OMED, we look forward to welcoming you to Las Vegas, Nevada!



Peter Ajluni, DO
Chair, Council of OMED

OMED26 Registration

The registration fees are listed below. Attending in-person provides access to the virtual platform for post-event viewing and continuing education.

*New physicians in practice: Discounted promotional codes available. Email **meetings@osteopathic.org** for more information.

Category	Rates
AOA member (AOA)	$975
AOA non-member (NM)	$1,175
Associate members/practice managers (ASM)	$326
Non-DOs (MDs, PhDs) (NDO)	$1,175
Retired AOA members (RET)	$300
Military	$625
Allied health professionals (RNs, NPs, PAs, etc.)	$1,175
Advocates of the American Osteopathic Association	$150
Affiliate executive directors/CEOs	$0
New physicians in practice	$975*
Residents (R)	$75
Students (S)	$50
Pre-medical students	$50
Guests/children 13 and over	$150
Children 12 and under	$0

OMED26 Housing

The official housing provider for the AOA OMED conference is Maritz. The AOA OMED conference does not have influence over or responsibility for any reservations made through a housing company or group other than the AOA OMED conference official housing partner, Maritz. In recent years, several attendees have informed the AOA OMED conference of housing solicitations (often fraudulent) from groups with no affiliation with the AOA OMED conference. It is encouraged to book hotel reservations through the AOA OMED conference provider, Maritz, and avoid providing information to any other company, even if they claim to be affiliated with the event.

Caesars Palace hotel rooms are available for $368 per night (inclusive) ($279 + $45 resort fee + 13.38% tax).

Advantages of Booking within the AOA OMED Conference Hotel Room Block:

- **Location** — Stay on property. Reduce transportation time to/from Caesars Palace.
- **Deep discounts** — The AOA Group Rate provides the best pricing during the OMED conference.
- **Best rate package** — The OMED rates remain the lowest.
- **Hotel reward points** — Add your hotel rewards to your reservation to earn loyalty points and enhance your hotel stay.
- **Support the industry** — Booking within the OMED hotel room block allows the AOA to provide a convention experience at a lower price point.

Hotel reservations can be made online through Maritz when completing your in-person registration.

Travel

Airline discounts:

United Airlines, Southwest Airlines and Delta Air Lines are pleased to offer discounted flights to OMED attendees:

- **Book with United** (use discount code ZS3T490223)
- **Book with Southwest**
- **Book with Delta** (Attendees may also call Conferences and Events® at (800) 328-1111, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. ET and refer to meeting event code **NY4NR**. (Please note there is no service fee for reservations booked and ticketed via our reservation 800 number.)

Getting around town

Taxi Cabs are the preferred way to get around Las Vegas. Rideshare service (Uber and Lyft) are available, however the pickup and drop off locations are alternative to the main entrances of Caesars Palace and other venues.

To/from Harry Reid International Airport and Caesars Palace

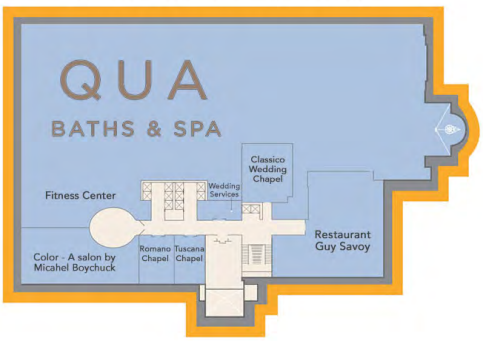
Getting to and from Caesars Palace and Harry Reid International Airport is approximately 20 minutes and an average cost of $35 by taxi.

Caesars Palace Property Map

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AUGUSTUS TOWER - SECOND FLOOR



CAESARS PALACE LAS VEGAS

Continuing Medical Education (CME) Information

OMED26 is supported by independent educational grants from commercial interests. Complete information will be provided to participants prior to the activity. Conflict of Interest Disclosures for individuals in control of content will also be provided prior to the start of the activity.

Overall education objectives

- Highlight the evidence on new, revised and standard treatment approaches for a variety of medical conditions as they relate to physicians
- Review revisions in clinical practice guidelines and evaluate clinical practice implications
- Describe updates in clinical decision tools for screening and differential diagnoses of diseases

Designation

The American Osteopathic Association (AOA) designates this program for a maximum of 60 AOA Category 1A Credits* and will report CME credits commensurate with the physician's participation in this program. The AOA designates this blended activity for *60 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*.*

Physicians should only claim the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

*In-person attendees are eligible for a maximum of 60 AOA Category 1A Credits or 60 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*.

The American Osteopathic Association (AOA) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Claim 2 AOA Category 2-B Credits by viewing ePosters

Participants may claim up to two (2) AOA Category 2-B Credits by viewing ePosters at the link that will be provided closer to OMED. To claim this credit and receive a certificate, the participant must complete and submit a separate attestation form to **gdillard@osteopathic.org**. The AOA will email a certificate that includes the number of AOA Category 2-B Credits earned once the attestation form is received and the hours are verified.

CME/Certificate of Attendance

To claim your CME certificate or your certificate of attendance, you will need to complete an evaluation and CME credit hour attestation by Jan. 31, 2027.

Disclaimer

The information in this educational activity is provided for general medical education purposes only and is not meant to substitute for the independent medical judgment of a physician relative to diagnostic and treatment options of a specific patient's medical condition. The viewpoints expressed in this CME activity are those of the authors/faculty. They do not represent endorsement by the AOA. In no event will the AOA be liable for any decision made or action taken in reliance upon the information provided through this CME activity.

OMED26 Schedule of Events

OMED26 will bring together osteopathic physicians and the healthcare team for one event this Oct. 22 through Oct. 25 at Caesars Palace Las Vegas, Nevada. Earn up to 60 AOA Category 1A Credits or 60 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*.

CME sessions, exhibits, general sessions, student sessions, ancillary meetings and registration will take place in the Caesars Palace Conference Center.

View the Schedule of Events

Event Mobile App

More information coming soon.

OMED On-Demand

Oct. 25 (afternoon) – Dec. 31, 2026

Access most in-person CME content through the virtual platform. Content from specialties participating virtually will be available for viewing on Oct. 25.

OMED26 Specialty College Participation

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View Conference Schedule

The American Osteopathic Academy of Addiction Medicine

American Osteopathic College of Allergy and Immunology

AOCA

ACOEP The American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians

acofp AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC FAMILY PHYSICIANS

American Society of Hematology

ACOi

AMOPS THE ASSOCIATION OF MILITARY OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

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acoog AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC OBSTETRICIANS & GYNECOLOGISTS

American Osteopathic College of Occupational & Preventive Medicine

AOAO American Osteopathic Academy of Orthopedics

American Academy of Osteopathy®

American Osteopathic College of Pathologists Est. 1954 AOCP

American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians

American Osteopathic College of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation AOCPMR 1954

AOAPRM

AOCR American Osteopathic College of Radiology

AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC ACADEMY OF SPORTS MEDICINE

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC SURGEONS

AOA Track Descriptions

Resident track

Friday, Oct. 23, 2026 | 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 1:30-4 p.m.

The AOA will offer dedicated programming for residents focused on topics relevant to this stage of their careers. Sessions will address the realities of residency training, helping learners maintain personal and professional relationships, navigate the systems that shape patient care, and apply clinical judgment through an osteopathic and evidence-informed lens. Content is designed to help learners manage the demands of training while building the skills, connections, and perspective needed for the next phase of their careers.

Residents are also encouraged to attend select sessions from the New Physician in Practice Track, taking place on Saturday, October 24, covering board certification and other essentials for the transition into practice.

New physician in practice track

Saturday, Oct. 24, 2026 | 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 1:30-4 p.m.

The AOA and the Bureau of Emerging Leaders present an educational track offering practical guidance for early-career physicians transitioning out of training and into practice. Designed specifically for new physicians, the track includes sessions covering essential topics that extend beyond clinical preparation including practice readiness, business and operational fundamentals, leadership development, change management, communication, mentorship, teaching, and osteopathic professional identity.

Attendees will leave better prepared to step into practice as effective leaders and educators, with actional insights, valuable connections, and greater confidence to navigate the early stages of their careers.

New Physician Track sessions are open to all registered attendees of OMED.

Faculty development

Friday, Oct. 23, 2026 | 1:30-4 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 24, 2026 | 1:30-4 p.m. (Joint Sessions with New Physician In Practice)

The AOA presents a dedicated educational track for faculty in graduate medical education (GME) programs who serve as clinical educators, mentors, and role models to osteopathic learners. This track addresses key areas of faculty development and performance, touching on effective teaching strategies, feedback delivery, leadership skills, and support for the professional identity of osteopathic physicians in training.

Sessions will explore approaches to enrich the work of GME faculty as educators, mentors, and leaders. Discussions will highlight the unique contributions of osteopathic faculty in postgraduate training, with opportunities to examine how Osteopathic Recognition supports and advances Osteopathic Principles and Practice within graduate medical education.

AOA Track Descriptions

Student track

Saturday, Oct. 24, 2026

All osteopathic medical students are encouraged to attend the OMED26 Student Track kicking off on Saturday, October 24 The content for this track, which has been carefully curated by the Student Osteopathic Medical Association (SOMA), will focus on supplementing the knowledge provided by the Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine and aims to enhance opportunities for osteopathic medical students to match into their residencies of choice. New this year – we are hosting a Residency Fair on Saturday morning leading into the always popular Specialty Mentor Café. All osteopathic medical students are welcome!

Pre-Med

Saturday, October 24 | 7:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Sunday, October 25 | 8 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

More information coming soon!

OMED26 AOA poster session and student poster competition

Friday, October 23 – VIRTUAL ACCESS

The AOA Bureau of Osteopathic Research and Public Health holds its Research Poster Session and Student Poster Competition annually during OMED. The Research Poster Session allows investigators to disseminate their research to a broader osteopathic audience. After a competitive Call for Research Abstracts, abstracts are selected for presentation in poster format. Students whose research projects are selected can elect to participate in the Student Poster Competition. During this competition, student researchers present their research projects to teams of judges in a **live, virtual format accessible through a link in the OMED app.** Cash prizes are awarded to the nine top-scoring presenters. Accepted abstracts are published in The Journal of Osteopathic Medicine.

PLEASE NOTE: Live, online presentations occur on Friday, October 23rd from 8am-12pm and 1pm-5pm Pacific Time. Posters will remain viewable online for one year.

Industry Events

Product theaters

View the **schedule of events** for detailed information.

Symposium

View the **schedule of events** for detailed information.

Exhibition

The OMED Exhibition provides the opportunity to learn more about the latest products and trends.
View the list of current exhibitors.

Exhibit Hours:

- Friday, October 23 | 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
- Saturday, October 24 | 8:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m

OMED is more than just a conference. It's a platform for connecting with like-minded professionals who share your passion for osteopathic medicine. Expand your network, forge meaningful connections, and collaborate with colleagues who are at the forefront of the field. Whether you're a seasoned practitioner or a budding osteopathic physician, OMED is the event you don't want to miss. Join us for this unparalleled gathering of the osteopathic community, and experience the power of knowledge, collaboration, and innovation.

OMED Simulation Experience provided by ACOM

Experience the power of simulation-based medical education as the Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine (ACOM) brings its nationally recognized training to the exhibit hall at OMED Conference in Las Vegas.

Throughout the conference, our simulation team will conduct six live, immersive medical scenarios drawn directly from the curriculum used to prepare medical students for real-world clinical care and national simulation competitions. These cases reflect the dynamic, high-pressure environments where future physicians learn to integrate classroom knowledge with clinical reasoning.

Attendees can participate or watch patient presentations, evolve rapidly team-based decision-making unfolds in real time.

Whether you are an educator, clinician, or student, this program offers a rare opportunity to observe how clinical simulation transforms knowledge into applied clinical reasoning preparing the next generation of physicians to best care for the patients that matter most.

Live simulation cases will take place:

- Friday, Oct. 23 | 10 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.
- Friday, Oct. 23 | 11:30 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.
- Friday, Oct. 23 | 1:30 – 1:50 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 24 | 10 – 10:20 a.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 24 | 11:30 – 11:50 a.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 24 | 1:30 – 1:50 p.m.

OMED Wellness Area

Your way to Recharge, Restore, and Renew

A curated space designed to help you feel your best, both physically and mentally.

Whether you're looking to release tension, boost your energy, or simply enjoy some puppy cuddles, the OMED Wellness Area offers something for everyone.

Experience Wellness Your Way

- 🩺 **OES Area** provided by AAO. Experience the benefits of Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment (OMT) through brief sessions focused on relieving tension, improving mobility, and supporting overall well-being.
- 🦴 **Cuddle Station provided by iRythm.** Take a break with our four-legged stress relievers. Spend a few moments with friendly therapy puppies and enjoy one of the simplest ways to boost your mood and reduce stress.
- 💆 **Foot Massage.** Refresh tired feet with relaxing foot massage experiences designed to help you get back on your feet feeling energized.
- ⚡ **Vibration Plate.** Step onto a vibration plate for a quick wellness boost to stimulate muscles, improve circulation, and leave you feeling refreshed.
- 🏋️ **Strength.** Get moving with light weights to increase circulation, improve posture, and counteract long hours of sitting or stretch on a yoga mat.
- 💌 **Cards of Joy.** sign a card of joy to be provided to children and elderly in a local hospital.

Explore Las Vegas

Viva Las Vegas! Las Vegas offers entertainment, live music and robust culinary scene. **Visit the LVCVA's website for more information!**



Photos courtesy of The LVCVA Archive

Coffee & Conversations: Putting Patients First

Friday, October 23, 2026 | 8-9:25 a.m.
Augustus Ballroom

This Main Stage panel discussion will discuss one of the most important challenges in modern healthcare: how to keep patients at the center of care amid increasing complexity, technological advancement, and systemic change. Through the lens of osteopathic philosophy, physician leadership, and real-world patient experiences, panelists will explore the evolving meaning of whole-person care, the role of empathy and human connection in a digital age, and the actions healthcare leaders can take to ensure healthcare systems are designed around the needs of patients.

Learning Objectives:

By attending this session, participants will:

1. Examine how osteopathic principles and whole-person care can be applied across healthcare settings to advance patient-centered outcomes and address today's healthcare challenges.
2. Evaluate the impact of healthcare fragmentation, social determinants of health, and emerging technologies, including artificial intelligence, on the patient experience and physician-patient relationship.
3. Identify leadership strategies and practical actions that physicians and healthcare organizations can implement to keep patients at the center of decision-making, care delivery, and system transformation.



Moderator: Natasha Bray, DO
2026 OMED Program Chair



Omar Lateef, DO
President and CEO, Rush University Medical Center



Creagh Milford, DO
President, Oak Street Health



Dawn Mussallem, DO
Chief Medical Officer, Fountain Life



Maj. Gen. (Dr.) Leigh A. Swanson
Deputy Surgeon General and Deputy Commander, Air Force Medical Command, Headquarters U.S. Air Force and U.S. Space Force

The AOA will recognize recipients of the
2026 Journal of Osteopathic Medicine (JOM) Awards

A Champions Mindset from Adversity to Triumph: *Strategies for Overcoming Any Obstacle to Thrive Through Any Challenge*

Saturday, October 24, 2026 | 4-5:30 p.m.
Augustus Ballroom

Be inspired by real-life triumphs and gain actionable tools to overcome setbacks, strengthen resilience, and unlock your potential for success in every aspect of life and leadership.



Chaunte Lowe
4-Time Olympian, U.S. Record Holder in High Jump and cancer survivor

The world-renowned high jumper lives to conquer barriers, racking up 4 Olympic Games Appearances, 3 Global Championship medals, 3 American records, and several global accolades. Many are surprised to learn that she achieved most of these accomplishments while also holding the title of "mother of three." Her performances on the field have earned her inductions into three separate halls of fame and four separate invitations to be honored at the White House by several US Presidents.

Chaunte would have never guessed ,with all that she accomplished, that her biggest obstacles would come off the track. In 2019, Lowe was rattled with the devastating diagnosis of triple-negative breast cancer, which is among the most aggressive forms. In a state of disbelief, Chaunte took the crushing blow head-on, being forced to bow out of the national championships for a double mastectomy and miss the world championships for chemotherapy. Still, in Chaunte fashion, she decided that she would fight against the odds and still train through chemo in hopes of making the delayed 2020 US Olympic team. Now known as the utmost expert on resilience, her advocacy work focuses on early detection and breast cancer awareness to save lives. Reaching hundreds of millions of people, her work was honored with the NCAA Inspiration Award, The 'Hero Among Us' award, and she was recently named to Georgia Tech's 40 under 40 2021 Class.

The AOA will recognize recipients of the following awards:

2026 MOSAIC Award
Individual: Natasha N. Bray, DO
Organizational: Inclusive Healthcare at Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine Carolinas Chapter

2026 Outstanding Affiliate Award
Florida Osteopathic Medical Association
Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of California
American Osteopathic Academy of Addiction Medicine

American Osteopathic Academy of Addiction Medicine
2026 Mentor of the Year
John Ashurst, DO, EdD, MS, FACEP, FACOEP

AAOA Family Fun Event
Friday, Oct. 23 | 2-4 p.m. PT

Create memories and bring the family! The Advocates for the AOA (AAOA) is having its annual Family Fun Event at the Real Bodies Exhibit, 3645 South Las Vegas Boulevard. **Learn more about the event and reserve your spot!** Tickets will be given out at the venue. Please show up on time as we will not be holding tickets after 2:10 p.m. PT. Please show your reservation upon arrival. Please reserve a ticket for every person in your party. In the event your plans change, and you will not be able to use your tickets, please cancel your reservation to give others a chance to attend. Visit the AAOA booth at Caesars Palace, Octavius Foyer if you need help with cancellations and reservations.

A.T. Still fit for life FUN RUN 2026 Advocates for the American Osteopathic Association

AAOA Fun Run
Saturday, Oct. 24 | 6:30-7:45 a.m. PT

The **Advocates for the AOA (AAOA)** are excited to host the **A.T. Still Fit for Life Fun Run 2026** in Las Vegas, Nevada! **Register** to participate in the Fun Run by Oct. 24. The 5K walk/run will take place in Sunset Park, located at 2601 E. Sunset Rd. Transportation to the location will be available for participants. All proceeds go towards the AAOA Special Projects Grant Fund . These grants allow osteopathic organizations and affiliates to apply for and receive money toward community projects across the country. Don't miss this chance to get moving for a great cause! If you can't participate in this year's run and want to donate, please **click here**. Participants can visit the AAOA Booth in Caesars Palace, Octavius Foyer on Friday, Oct. 23 to pick up your Fun Run t-shirt and participant packet.

AAOA House of Delegates
Saturday, Oct. 24 | 10 a.m.-1 p.m. PT

The Advocates for the AOA (AAOA) invite members to attend their annual House of Delegates and Business meeting. **Pre-registration is required to attend**. Located in the Caesars Palace, Milano 7

AAOA Board Installation and President's Reception
Saturday, Oct. 24 | 2-4 p.m. PT

The Advocates for the AOA (AAOA) will hold their Board Installation and President's Reception in Caesars Palace, Milano 7.



AOF LGBTQ+ RECEPTION

Join the American Osteopathic Foundation for the AOF LGBTQ+ Reception during OMED. Connect with colleagues and friends from across the Osteopathic community for an evening of connection and inclusion. Click here to purchase your tickets today!

WHEN

Thursday, October 22, 2026
7:30 PM – 10:30 PM (PT)

Following the reception, AOF guests are welcome to stay at Commonwealth for a performance by indie British-Australian DJ duo AR/CO at 10:30 PM.

WHERE

Commonwealth
525 Fremont St
Las Vegas, NV 89101

A limited number of tickets are available. Click here to purchase your ticket through AOF's GiveSmart site or scan the QR code below.

COST

$49 per person
Includes unlimited beverages & appetizers.

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