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ACFAS Has a Grand Ole Time in Nashville

Much like a sold-out, star-studded show at the Grand Ole Opry, ACFAS 2018 stole the spotlight and gave the nearly 1,900 DPMs in attendance an unforgettable conference experience filled with nonstop sessions and workshops and plenty of opportunities to network, learn and grow professionally.

The performance began with a standing room-only Opening General Session that included an inspiring keynote address presented by astronaut Captain Mark Kelly and an insight on all ACFAS activities throughout the year from ACFAS Immediate Past President Laurence G. Rubin, DPM, FACFAS. *(continued on page 5)*



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REINVENTING OUR ROLE IN SURGICAL OUTCOMES RESEARCH — PATIENT REGISTRY & BIG DATA



We are riding high...just as we should be after an incredibly successful ACFAS Annual Scientific Conference in Nashville. However, just as quickly as the lecture halls have cleared, we at ACFAS have quickly begun the work for the year in front of us. New committees and chairs are in place, and there is so much great work to accomplish!

There has never been a better time to assume the role as President of this College. The volunteer leadership we have in place is composed of dedicated and talented individuals who stand to bring even more success to our committees and our Board. We are fortunate to have a strong professional staff at our office in Chicago who provide consistency and support to all our endeavors. We as volunteers are charged with coming up with the ideas and setting the direction of the organization, but it is of course our staff who implement these ideas and put in the hours to follow them to completion. I think each of you would be proud to see the dedication and efficiency of our professional staff who work for you.

It's What You Learn AFTER You Know It All That Counts...!

— Coach John Wooden

One key area of need in our profession is meaningful surgical outcomes research. There have been outcries for this in many online forums, and most of us have pointed to this real need for years. Now is the time to put our money and actions where our mouth is and take the aggressive steps necessary to begin this work. Your ACFAS Board of Directors is prepared to allocate significant financial resources and staff support to this cause.

The Promise of Patient Registries to Inform Care

We gain more **insights from the shared experiences of fellow clinicians** rather than crunched numbers of the unrealistic patient population in clinical trials. Today, we in the foot and ankle surgical community realize the benefit of sharing our own data and experience. Forming and participating in registries is now a top agenda item for many institutions. Registries collect and consolidate the data from real-world patients and

real-world clinical care. With the help of registries, we can see what is working, in what environment and in what patient population. We can stop looking for a “silver bullet” treatment and instead apply real-world findings to real-world patients. Since a registry uses prospectively collected data on a broad patient population, there is much less concern for selection bias or investigational error.

We can improve patient outcomes by creating validated scoring systems based on hundreds of thousands of patients. We can look at comparative efficacy. We can gain insights into what types of interventions work best in what types of patients, in real-world practice. Registries can enable these strides forward. This type of data is good for providers, health systems, payers, and most importantly, for our patients.

You will be hearing a lot about this new research endeavor throughout the year. This project will not be quick or without sacrifice, but we will be laying the foundation for the next decade of meaningful research in foot and ankle surgery...and it is your College that is making it happen!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'John S. Steinberg'.

John S. Steinberg, DPM, FCFAS
ACFAS President

Questions for Dr. Steinberg? Write him at president@acfas.org.

Claim Your ACFAS 2018 CME Credits Online

Did you attend ACFAS 2018 in Nashville? If so, be sure to claim your Continuing Medical Education (CME) credits online.

Visit acfas.org and click on CME Credits under Latest News and Information/2018 Annual Scientific Conference. After you log in, you will be linked directly to the ACFAS

Education Documentation and CME Tracking Center where you can print your certificate and a listing of sessions you attended.

Your password is your ACFAS ID number followed by your first and last initial (lower case), or you can log in using the unique password you created.

FUTURE ANNUAL CONFERENCES



2019 Preconference Workshops
February 13, 2019

77th Annual Scientific Conference
February 14-17, 2019
New Orleans Convention Center
New Orleans, LA

2020 Preconference Workshops
February 18, 2020

78th Annual Scientific Conference
February 19-22, 2020
Henry B. Gonzalez
Convention Center
San Antonio, TX

2021 Preconference Workshops
February 24, 2021

79th Annual Scientific Conference
February 25-28, 2021
Mandalay Bay Resort &
Convention Center
Las Vegas, NV

2018 EDUCATION PROGRAMS

June 2-3, 2018 (Saturday/Sunday)
Foot & Ankle Arthroscopy

Orthopaedic Learning Center
Chicago, IL

SOLD
OUT

July 13-14, 2018 (Friday/Saturday)
**Coding and Billing for the
Foot and Ankle Surgeon**

Marriott Portland Downtown Waterfront
Portland, OR

August 11-12, 2018 (Saturday/Sunday)
Foot & Ankle Arthroscopy

Orthopaedic Learning Center
Chicago, IL

SOLD
OUT

September 29-30, 2018 (Saturday/Sunday)
Foot & Ankle Arthroscopy

Orthopaedic Learning Center
Chicago, IL

SOLD
OUT

October 19-20, 2018 (Friday/Saturday)
**Coding and Billing for the
Foot and Ankle Surgeon**

Hilton Chicago Magnificent Mile Suites
Chicago, IL

December 16-17, 2018 (Sunday/Monday)
Foot & Ankle Arthroscopy

Orthopaedic Learning Center
Chicago, IL

*To be waitlisted for sold-out courses,
contact Maggie Hjelm at hjelm@acfas.org.

Register for *Foot & Ankle Arthroscopy* Course While Space Is Still Available

A limited number of spots are still available for our popular two-day Surgical Skills course, *Foot & Ankle Arthroscopy*, held quarterly at the Orthopaedic Learning Center near Chicago. Get in on what is considered the gold standard in arthroscopic training and master the full spectrum of cutting-edge surgical techniques using state-of-the-art equipment.

Through interactive video-enhanced lectures and more than nine hours of hands-on cadaver lab time, you will:

- Practice arthroscopic techniques on the ankle and subtalar joint while focusing on motor skill development
- Effectively perform synovectomy, fibrous band resection and gutter debridement
- Approach, resect and saucerize medial and lateral talar dome lesions
- Retrieve loose bodies in the ankle and be introduced to arthroscopic excision of the os trigonum

- Understand the risks and complications of foot and ankle arthroscopy and how to confidently manage them
- Learn staging principles, intra-op positioning and fluoroscopy

A fireside chat will also take place the first night of the course during which you can share radiographs of your most challenging cases (bring them on a flash drive) with faculty and your fellow attendees.

Foot & Ankle Arthroscopy is worth 16 continuing education contact hours. Visit acfas.org/education to register now and see why this course consistently sells out every year.

“I never thought that at this stage of my career I would add a new skill like arthroscopy, but I became convinced that my patients would benefit from my being a lifelong learner.”

— Richard N. Goad, DPM, FACFAS

Foot & Ankle Arthroscopy Schedule

Orthopaedic Learning Center
Chicago, IL

June 2-3, 2018
(Saturday/Sunday)

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“Great hands-on program. I could see a huge difference in my ability to perform the scope from the beginning of the course to the end.”

— Mireille Blanchette Desrosiers, DPM

Register Now for 2018 Coding & Billing Seminars



Just a few simple changes to your coding and billing process can make all the difference in maximizing reimbursement for the care you provide. Learn how to achieve this in the popular seminar, **Coding and Billing for the Foot and Ankle Surgeon**, set for July 13–14 in Portland, Oregon and October 19–20 in Chicago.

Code real-life patient cases and scenarios alongside expert faculty and get an inside look at:

- How to structure your work week
- Correct coding for amputation, forefoot, rearfoot of ankle reconstructive surgery
- Proper evaluation and management coding
- How to use modifiers to avoid denials
- Minor office procedures
- Coding for diabetic foot cases
- Complex arthroscopy cases
- New government reimbursement systems and methods

This course is worth 12 continuing education contact hours. Register today at acfas.org/practicemanagement.



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Kelly's speech, which featured video footage from his time on the international space station, recounted personal experiences as an Air Force pilot and NASA astronaut and how he coped with the near assassination of his wife, former Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords. He explained how to draw from your strengths and talents to overcome adversity while emphasizing that how good you are in the beginning is not an indicator of how good you can become.

Energized and eager to see everything ACFAS 2018 had in store, attendees then made their way to the Exhibit Hall to get a firsthand look at the newest products, walk through the nearly 300 case study, scientific and Student Club posters, browse through the Job Fair and listen to sessions in the HUB.

Attendees topped off the first official day of the conference with an elegant evening spent mixing and mingling at the Premier Connection event in Delta Island where they enjoyed music, drinks and hors d'oeuvres.

After three full days of clinical sessions, cadaveric workshops and industry-sponsored gatherings, ACFAS 2018 closed with a sensational Wrap Party at the renowned Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum. A live band playing new and old country favorites provided the background music to an energetic party. Afterward, partygoers took tours of the museum and its treasure trove of exhibits.

"This conference really sets the tone for our organization and speaks volumes for what we can accomplish together," said ACFAS President John S. Steinberg, DPM, FACFAS. "The level of education, integrity and commitment to advancing our specialty has never been stronger. I'm looking forward to the year with great enthusiasm."

Join us next year for the 77th Annual Scientific Conference, February 14–17, 2019 in New Orleans where we'll let the good times roll like never before in The Big Easy!



SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE ACFAS 2018





Winning Manuscripts Capture the Very Best in Podiatric Medical Research

This year, the College received 59 submissions for the Annual ACFAS Manuscript Awards of Excellence competition. A panel of ACFAS Fellows blind-reviewed all manuscript entries and selected 26 for presentation at ACFAS 2018 in Nashville. Of those, seven were named the top winners.

Winners split \$10,000 in award money funded in part by the Podiatry Foundation of Pittsburgh and presented at the ACFAS Honors and Awards Ceremony on March 23.

First Place (\$3,000)

Routine Use of Low Molecular Weight Heparin DVT Prophylaxis Following Certain Foot and Ankle Surgeries: A Cost Effectiveness Analysis

Richmond C.O. Robinson, DPM, AACFAS
Craig Wirt, DPM, PhD
Carolina Barbosa, PharmD, PhD
Arezou Amidi, DPM, AACFAS
Shirley Chen, BS
Robert M. Joseph, DPM, PhD, FACFAS
Adam E. Fleischer, DPM, MPH, FACFAS

Second Place (\$2,500)

Percutaneous Kirschner Wire Versus Commercial Implant for Hammertoe Repair: A Cost Effectiveness Analysis

Rachel H. Albright, DPM
Brett J. Waverly, DPM, AACFAS
Erin E. Klein, DPM, MS, FACFAS
Lowell Weil, Jr. DPM, FACFAS
Lowell S. Weil, Sr. DPM, FACFAS
Adam E. Fleischer, DPM, MPH, FACFAS

Third Place (\$1,500)

Cost Effectiveness Analysis of Primary Arthrodesis Versus Open Reduction Internal Fixation for Primarily Ligamentous Lisfranc Injuries

Rachel H. Albright, DPM
Sarah E. Haller, DPM, AACFAS
Erin E. Klein, DPM, MS, FACFAS
Jeffrey R. Baker, DPM, FACFAS
Lowell Weil, Jr. DPM, FACFAS
Lowell S. Weil, Sr. DPM, FACFAS
Adam E. Fleischer, DPM, MPH, FACFAS

Honorable Mentions (\$750)

Radiographic Parameters Are Poorly Correlated with Patient-Centered Outcomes in Hallux Valgus Surgery

Michael R. Matthews, DPM, AACFAS
Erin E. Klein, DPM, FACFAS
Angie, Youssef, BA
Lowell Weil, Jr., DPM, FACFAS
Lowell S. Weil, Sr., DPM, FACFAS
Adam E. Fleischer, DPM, FACFAS

Scoring Mental Health Quality of Life with the SF-36 in Patients with and Without Diabetes Foot Complications

Katherine M. Raspovic, DPM, AACFAS
Junho Ahn, BS
Michael A. Del Core, MD
George T. Liu, DPM, FACFAS
Michael D. VanPelt, DPM, FACFAS
Javier LaFontaine, DPM, FACFAS
Lawrence A. Lavery, DPM
Dane K. Wukich, MD



Medial Structure Injury During Suture Button Insertion Utilizing “Center-Center” Technique for Syndesmotic Stabilization

Christopher W. Reb, DO
Roberto A. Brandao, DPM
B. Collier Watson, DO
Bryan Van Dyke, DO
Gregory C. Berlet, MD
Mark A. Prissel, DPM, AACFAS

Factors Associated with Emergency Room Visits Within 30 Days After Outpatient Foot and Ankle Surgeries

Naohiro Shibuya, DPM, MS, FACFAS
Himani Patel, DPM
Colin Graney, DPM
Daniel C. Jupiter, PhD

Poster Awards Forecast a Bright Future for the Profession & Podiatric Medicine

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PRECISION IN FIXATION

This year's poster competition brought new surgical technologies and techniques to life in a vast visual display that spanned nearly the entire breadth of the ACFAS 2018 Exhibit Hall. Attendees browsed through 145 case study posters, 139 scientific posters and nine Student Club posters and also had the opportunity to speak with poster authors about their research. The College congratulates the 2018 poster award winners listed below. View all poster entries at acfas.org, and be sure to check our website this summer for details on how to share your own groundbreaking research in next year's poster competition at ACFAS 2019, February 14-17, 2019 in New Orleans. Poster abstract submissions are due **September 10, 2018**.

CASE STUDY FORMAT

First Place (\$1,000)

Subtle Syndesmotic Injuries: High Incidence in Isolated, Minimally Displaced Fibular Fractures

Mark J. Bullock, DPM, AACFAS
Raymond N. Delpak, DPM, AACFAS
Ted C. Lai, DPM, AACFAS
Mark H. Hofbauer, DPM, FACFAS

Second Place (\$700)

Staged Surgical Intervention in the Treatment of Septic Ankle Arthritis with Autologous Circular Pillar Fibula Augmentation: A Case Report

Alan R. Catanzariti, DPM, FACFAS
Sham J. Persaud, DPM

Third Place (\$500)

Osteoid Osteoma of the Talus Treated with an Acellular Connective Tissue Matrix: A Pilot Case Study

Scott C. Carrington, DPM, AACFAS
Marta L. Riniker, DPM, AACFAS
Stephen A. Brigido, DPM, FACFAS

SCIENTIFIC FORMAT

First Place (\$1,000)

A Retrospective Evaluation of Conventional Culture Versus Polymerase Chain Reaction in the Detection of Bacterial Species in Complex Lower Extremity Wounds

Kevin K. Ragothaman, DPM
Tammer Elmarsafi, DPM
Benjamin A. Lipsky, MD
Paul J. Kim, DPM, FACFAS

Second Place (\$700)

A Novel Radiographic Predictor for Dehiscence After Total Ankle Arthroplasty

Andreas C. Kaikis, DPM
William M. Wolfe, DPM
D. Scot Malay, DPM, MSCE, FACFAS

Third Place (\$500)

Early Protected Weightbearing in Patients Who Underwent Ankle Fracture Open Reduction and Internal Fixation with Syndesmotic Fixation: A Retrospective Case Series

Christy M. King, DPM, FACFAS
Matthew D. Doyle, DPM, MS
Francesca M. Castelluci-Garza, DPM
Annie L. Nguyentat, DPM, AACFAS
David R. Collman, DPM, FACFAS



STUDENT CLUB

First Place (\$1,000)

A Novel Technique for Percutaneous Harvest of Calcaneal Autograft: Evaluation of Complications and the Effect on 1st MPJ and Lapidus Arthrodesis

Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine

Second Place (\$700)

Neurovascular Structures at Risk with a Modified Posteromedial Incision for Posterior Pilon Variant Fractures: A Cadaveric Study

California School of Podiatric Medicine at Samuel Merritt College

Third Place (\$500)

Limb Salvage of the Foot through Creation of a Calcaneal Cortical Window to Treat Osteomyelitis Following Injection

New York College of Podiatric Medicine

THANK YOU TO OUR MANUSCRIPT AND POSTER JUDGES!

ACFAS would like to thank those members who volunteered to review and judge entries for the annual manuscript and poster competitions at ACFAS 2018 in Nashville. The College greatly appreciates the time and effort the judges put into carefully evaluating each submission.

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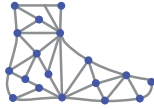
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ACFAS Expands *Take a New Look at Foot & Ankle Surgeons* Campaign to Consumers



TAKE A NEW LOOK AT **FOOT & ANKLE SURGEONS**

TAKEANEWLOOK.ORG

This year, consumers will “*Take a New Look*” at foot and ankle surgeons, plus foot and ankle care in general, when ACFAS brings the successful *Take a New Look at Foot and Ankle Surgeons* campaign to the consumer market to broaden its already successful national patient education public relations campaign.

The College has identified several opportunities to insert itself into media conversations with select audiences. To realize this, ACFAS conducted a quantitative, custom online survey of 1,000 American consumers aged 18 to 65 to determine how they perceive foot

and ankle surgeons as well as foot and ankle care. Survey results will be used throughout the year to create public relations tactics (press releases, media pitches, Google Ads) to raise awareness of foot and ankle surgeons through print and social media platforms.

Stay tuned for updates on this next phase of the *Take a New Look* campaign, and log in to acfas.org/marketing to access health-care and patient marketing tools you can use to help promote yourself and your practice with the help of the campaign.

Winter Board Meeting Highlights

The ACFAS Board of Directors met on March 21, immediately prior to the 2018 Annual Scientific Conference in Nashville. The board welcomed newly elected directors Eric A. Barp, DPM, FACFAS, George T. Liu, DPM, FACFAS; and Harry P. Schneider, DPM, FACFAS. Retiring from the board was Past President Sean T. Grambart, DPM, FACFAS, Aksone Nouvong, DPM, FACFAS; and Eric G. Walter, DPM, FACFAS.

Actions at the board meeting included:

Appointments:

- Laurence G. Rubin, DPM, FACFAS (Chair); Thanh L. Dinh, DPM, FACFAS; and Scott C. Nelson, DPM, FACFAS; to constitute the 2018 Financial Conflict and Duality of Interests Committee.
- Board liaisons to ACFAS Student Clubs at podiatry schools.

Approval or discussions of:

- 2018–2019 Business Plan Review
- Questions for the 2018 Member and Practice Surveys
- Reaffirmation of three position statements

- Research Committee charges
- Interprofessional organization relationships
- Ongoing hospital privileging cases
- Position statement on faculty-speaker criteria
- Revisions to the Regions Policies and Procedures Manual
- 2017 year-end financial review

The next board meeting will be held July 26–29 in Park City, Utah. Questions on any board issues may be directed to Executive Director J.C. (Chris) Mahaffey, MS, CAE, FASAE, at mahaffey@acfas.org.

KUDOS TO OUR ACFAS 2017-2018 VOLUNTEER LEADERS

The College extends a heartfelt thank you to those members who donated their time and expertise to ACFAS committees and task forces during the past year. It also thanks those who served as peer reviewers and section editors for *The Journal of Foot & Ankle Surgery*. Their names have been published in *JFAS* and can be viewed at acfas.org/jfas.

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2018 Residency Directors Forum Provides Direct Contact with Organizational Reps



It was a packed room at this year's Residency Directors Forum, held March 21 in Nashville in advance of ACFAS 2018. Cohosted by the Council of Teaching Hospitals (COTH), the Forum provided program directors, faculty and chief residents with direct access to invited panelists to find answers to their burning questions.

"This half-day workshop provided an overwhelming amount of crucial information to program directors. The attendees had a chance to meet with key players in podiatric education from AACPM, CPME, PRR, ABFAS and ABPM," said Roya Mirmiran, DPM, FACFAS, chair of the ACFAS Post Graduate Affairs Committee. "The program's agenda was diverse and met the needs of everyone, from new to experienced program directors. It was refreshing to get everyone—from chief residents, to program directors to deans of the schools—under one roof to discuss the current and future status of our residency programs."

Highlights from this year's Forum included:

- Demonstrated pathways to educational and funding resources for residency programs
- Shared updates on what's new with PRR and CPME
- Tips and tricks for optimizing resident and student didactic teaching
- Ways to ward off social media trolls and troubles
- Debates on hot topics affecting the future of residency programs
- A showcased, multidisciplinary approach to residency administration and education via representation by AACPM, CPME, PRR, PICA, ABFAS, ABPM and deans of podiatry schools

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—Roya Mirmiran, DPM, FACFAS, chair of the ACFAS Post Graduate Affairs Committee

Save the Date: 2019 Residency Directors Forum

Residency directors, mark your calendars now for next year's Forum scheduled for Wednesday, February 13, 2019, the day before ACFAS 2019 kicks off in New Orleans.



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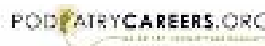


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