

Frontiers & Controversies in Ophthalmology
2017 ISEPS/COS Joint Conference Technician Program
Illinois Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons & Chicago Ophthalmological Society
Stephens Conference Center, Rosemont, IL
Friday, April 7, 2017

Program Chair: Spero J. Kinnas, MD, FACS.; *Westchester Eye Surgeons; Westchester, IL*
Target Group: Ophthalmic assistants and technicians
Level: Intermediate
Prerequisite: None
Teaching Method: Lecture; PowerPoint; Q&A
CE Credits Requested: 6.5 Category "A"

All General Sessions will take place in Ballroom #42

7:30 am Registration and Continental Breakfast in the Exhibit Hall

8:35 am - 10:35 am General Session I

8:35 am - 8:40 am **Introduction, Welcome & Announcements**
Spero J. Kinnas, MD *Program Chair*

8:40 am - 9:35 am (55) **Everything You Wanted to Know About Artificial Eyes
But Were Afraid to Ask**
Roland B. Scott, *Dipomate of the American Society of Ocularists; Robert B. Scott
Ocularists, Chicago, IL*
Course description: Course participants will gain an understanding of common
methods of fabricating and fitting an acrylic artificial eye for an anophthalmic eye
socket.
Learning Objective: Describe the hygiene procedures and patient care techniques
given to patients to maximize their cosmesis and wearability.

9:40 am - 10:35 am (55) **Surprises in the World of Ophthalmic Technology**
Spero J. Kinnas, MD, FACS; *Westchester Eye Surgeons, Westchester, IL*
Course description: Digital technology and ophthalmic diagnostics
Learning Objective: Verbalize a review of ophthalmic optical principles and
describe how to incorporate digital refractive information and limit refractive
surprise outcomes

10:35 am - 11:05 am (30) Break, network and visit the exhibitors

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11:05 am - 12:05 pm

General Session II

11:05 am - 11:25 pm (20)

Back to School - Student Eye Exams and Completing the Forms

Inna Kovalishin, COT, Eleni Burbules, Suguey Fernandez.; *Westchester Eye Surgeons, Westchester, IL*

Course description: State of Illinois School report paperwork & recording of history, testing and acuity

Learning Objective: Be able to assist the physician to fill forms correctly based on the patient/student findings

11:25 am - 12:05 pm (40)

Prisms and Pre-verbal Vision

Balaji Gupta, MD; *DuPage Ophthalmology; Lombard, IL*

Course description: Participants will get a basic understanding of prisms used to treat strabismus. Topics to include how prisms work, how to measure prisms, and Fresnel prisms. Participants will appreciate the problems associated with testing vision in pre-verbal children, the various methods used, and techniques to help them acquire pre-verbal vision.

Learning Objective: To be able to measure prism glasses. To be able to check the visual acuity of young children.

12:05 pm - 1:05 pm

Lunch, network and visit the exhibitor

1:05 pm - 2:55 pm

General Session III

1:05 pm - 2:00 pm (55)

Flashes & Floaters... What To Do Next?

Kevin Patel, MD; *Retina Associates, Oak Brook, IL*

Course description: An overview of how to initially work up a patient in a typical retina clinic based on their presenting symptoms, including which diagnostic tests are most helpful and appropriate.

Learning Objective: Describe the most common complaints and symptoms of patients with retinal conditions and list the most useful tests needed for diagnosing these conditions.

2:00 pm - 2:55 pm (55)

Are We Technicians or Detectives?

Lisa Maas, COT; *Acting Director, Ophthalmic Technician Program, Triton College, River Grove, IL*

Course description: Principles and procedures of the preliminary ophthalmic patient interview, including triage, chief complaint, history of present illness and the proper documentation.

Learning Objective: Assist in telephone triage and schedule appointments in the appropriate timeframe needed according to the patient symptoms; Elicit and record proper documentation of the chief complaint, patient symptoms and the history of the present illness; Differentiate between emergent and non-emergent symptoms; Properly document to substantiate and support ICD10 and CPT coding

2:55 pm - 3:15 pm (20)

Break, network and visit the exhibitors

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3:15 pm - 4:45 pm

General Session IV

3:15 pm - 3:45 pm (30)

The Technician's Role in Reducing Risk and Improving Patient Safety

Hans Bruhn, MHS; *Ophthalmic Mutual Insurance Company, San Francisco, CA*
Course description: This course will review how an ophthalmic technician fits in to the overall environment of a medical office in order to assure patient safety in an ophthalmology practice.

Learning Objective: List the proper steps for patient management; describe procedures that are prudent when there is a complication or an unfavorable outcome; describe the requirements for proper and accurate chart documentation.

3:45 pm - 4:40 pm (55)

Coding and Chart Documentation - The Technician's Vital Role

Joy Newby, LPN, CPC; *Newby Consulting, Inc., Daytona Beach, FL*
Course description: A review pertinent to an ophthalmic technician's responsibilities to assist the physician in properly documenting a patient encounter for medical records and also to properly comply with rules of Medicare and other third party payors.

Learning Objective: Understand and accurately record ICD-10 and CPT codes; Be able to document a patient's chief complaint and the elements of an exam that support the level of coding utilized; Properly apply Medicare rules to each patient encounter.

4:40 pm - 4:45 pm (5)

Final Announcements

4:45 p.m.

Conference Adjourns