

Ophthalmic Technician Program 2025 Joint Conference
Illinois Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons
and
The Chicago Ophthalmological Society

Stephens Conference Center – Rosemont, IL
Friday, March 7th, 2025

Program Chair: Kati Read, COT, COE, Wheaton Eye Clinic
Target Group: Ophthalmic Assistants and Technicians
Level: Intermediate
Prerequisite: None
Teaching Method: Lecture; PowerPoint; 50 Minute Lectures with 10 minutes for Q&A
CE Credits Requested: 6.0 Category A credits

7:25 a.m. – 8:25 a.m.

Registration

8:30 a.m. – 8:40 a.m.

Welcome and Introductions

Kati Read, COT, COE, *Program Chair and Clinical Manager, Wheaton Eye Clinic, Wheaton, IL*

8:40 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.
(60 1A)

Overview of MIGS

Michael Giovingo, MD

Stroger Hospital of Cook County; Chicago, IL

Course Description: This course will be an overview of indications for (MIGS) minimally invasive glaucoma surgery.

9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.
(60 1A)

Intro to Retinal Surgery and Vitrectomy

Quraish Ghadiali, MD

Stroger Hospital of Cook County; Chicago, IL

Course Description: Explore fundamental concepts and essential techniques of vitreoretinal surgery with a review of the relevant anatomy

10:40 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Break

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
(60 1A)

Red Eye Triage

Dana Darwish, MD

Loyola University Medical Center; Maywood, IL

Course Description: This course will discuss various clinical presentations and considerations of a red eye in clinic.

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch Break

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
(60 1A)

Diabetic Eye Disease

Camille Palma, MD

Stroger Hospital of Cook County; Chicago, IL

Course Description: This lecture will provide a comprehensive overview of diabetic eye disease for its intended audience of ophthalmic technicians

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
(60 1A)

Lid Surgery and Facial Aesthetic Treatments

Paul Phelps, MD,

Stroer Hospital of Cook County, Chicago Oculofacial Plastic Surgery; Chicago, IL

Course Description: This course will review lid surgery and the different types of facial aesthetics that are frequently seen with current and evolving cosmetic lid surgery and facial aesthetics treatments.

3:00 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.

Break

3:20 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.
(60 1A)

Risk Management for Ophthalmic Technicians

Kati Read, COT, COE

Wheaton Eye Clinic; Wheaton, IL

Course Description: This course will define medical documentation principal and review the importance of accuracy in patient identification, data entry, and procedural time outs. We will define the role ophthalmic technicians play in the mitigation of risk and in support of the physicians and patients they are working with.

4:20 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Closing Comments/CE Attendance/Collect Program Evaluations