

ASCRS PROGRAM

SPECIAL SESSIONS

Turning the Lights Back On: Part I & 2

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Turning the Lights Back On, is a two-part comprehensive overview of what ophthalmologists and their administrators should know about re-opening their practices, caring for patients safely and effectively, with the leadership needed to make important changes in their business model. Specific recommendations will provide the knowledge and resources we all need to get back to work.

Topics:

COVID-19: Fact and Fiction

Treating COVID: A Rapidly Changing Landscape

What Ophthalmologists Should be Doing to Prevent Infections

Leading in a Time of Crisis

An Administrators Perspective on Brining Back a Practice

How to Restart an ASC

Priorities: Leading Your Team and Taking Care of Your Team

ASCRS' Efforts to Provide Long-Term Financial Relief

Principles and Best Practices: Leading Ophthalmology into the Post-Pandemic Era

Mitigating Fear: How to Cultivate Courage and Confidence Among Your Patients and Staff

What is the Government Doing for Ophthalmology?

Sharpening Your Business Plan

Bringing Back Refractive Cataract Surgery

Telemedicine: How to Implement and Employ in Your Practice

What We Have Learned from the International Experience

Reframing Clinic Flow in the Age of Social Distancing

Refining and Right Sizing Your Operating Model

Faculty include leading experts in the fields of Ophthalmology, Infectious Disease, Pulmonology, Psychology, Government Relations, and Healthcare Consulting

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SATURDAY 8:30 – 9:00 A.M. ET

OPENING GENERAL SESSION

An interview with the Incoming and Outgoing ASCRS Presidents

SATURDAY 6:30 – 7:45 P.M. ET

38th FILM FESTIVAL AWARDS CEREMONY

A team of nine panelists will judge the submitted Scientific Films based on applicability/education value, originality, scientific content/validity, clarity, cinematic quality and artistic effects. The winning producers will be announced at the Awards Ceremony on Saturday, May 16.

SUNDAY, 8:00 – 9:00 A.M. ET

SUNDAY SESSION: DISCUSSION WITH SCOTT GOTTLIEB, MD

Former Commissioner of the FDA, Scott Gottlieb, MD, will share his views on the current crisis and the path forward. This not to be missed session will include panel discussion and audience Q&A.

SYMPOSIA & INSTRUCTIONAL COURSES

10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

SYM-1 ADVANCED CATARACT SURGERY: ACHIEVING 20/HAPPY IN 2020

This session will conduct a deeper dive into cataract surgical considerations including refractive cataract surgery, patient communications and management complicated cases and cutting-edge technologies.

IC-1 INTRAOCULAR LENS EXCHANGE: SURGICAL MANAGEMENT OF MALPOSITIONED AND MALFUNCTIONING IOLS

Instructors will present cases demonstrating indications and techniques for IOL exchange. Specifically, malfunctioning and malpositioned IOL management will be discussed. Fixation techniques such as capsule bag, iris suture, scleral suture and intrascleral haptic fixation will be detailed. Participants will be able to understand pre, peri and post-operative surveillance necessary to achieve safe patient outcomes.

1:00 – 2:30 P.M.

SYM-2 KERATOCONUS ESSENTIALS

Diving into diagnosing keratoconus (topography and tomography pearls, technologies for measuring biomechanics, what's coming for future diagnostics and conducting discussions with patients), crosslinking and cataract considerations in keratoconus.

IC-2 MINIMALLY INVASIVE GLAUCOMA SURGERY FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE OPHTHALMOLOGIST

Video-based course will demonstrate step-by-step techniques using MIGS as a stand-alone procedure and in combination with phacoemulsification. Various MIGS devices will be presented in the didactic session and practiced in the skills transfer lab. (Separate registration required). Discussion will include the proper choice for each procedure tailored to the individual patient, use of adjunctive therapy, as well as management of complications.

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2:45 – 4:15 P.M.

SYM-3 GLAUCOMA ESSENTIALS

Designed as a comprehensive overview from disease risk factors to diagnostic studies, differential diagnostics, monitoring and classifying progression to treatment options, this symposium will provide key elements to the care of your glaucoma patients.

IC-3 BEST OF THE BEST: 2020 UPDATE IN ADVANCED CATARACT SURGERY

Course will discuss why new IOLs, phaco machines, and femtosecond lasers are making cataract similar to refractive surgery. Best quality of vision depends by po refractive outcomes. This requires customization of IOL choice, accurate biometry, adoption of mechanical capsulotomy, hard nucleus splitting if needed and multifocal-multifocal toric IOLs implantation. Tear film high quality is determinant. Related MGD treatments will be analyzed and discussed.

4:30 – 6:00 P.M.

SYM-4 COVID CRASHED MY LIVE...HOW TO SURVIVE AND REVIVE

You can't expect to encounter every complication in your training or first few years of practice! In this video-based session we will cover common (and not so common) complications related to anterior segment surgery. Specifically, complication avoidance, recognition, management scenarios and strategies will be covered.

IC-4 UNDERSTANDING TOPOGRAPHY AND CORNEAL ABERRATIONS

The course will present in an easy-to-understand format how best to use the many features of Placido topography. The impact of anterior corneal aberrations on visual quality will also be demonstrated. Each clinical example will be based on a standard axial curvature map, aberration profile and image simulation. Attendees will be able to comfortably and accurately match the information provided by topography to how patients describe their vision.

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SYM-5 HOW TO HIT A HOME RUN IN REFRACTIVE CATARACT SURGERY

Premium implants have advanced to providing tremendous patient satisfaction. The practices that know how to offer and optimize these implants are showing tremendous growth in our world today. All cataract surgeons trying to hone their skills and further their knowledge in refractive cataract surgery will find this symposium helpful for topics such as diagnostics that help with patient selection, how to talk to patients, surgical pearls for success, postoperative tips for optimizing patient satisfaction, and more.

IC-5 BEST PRACTICES FOR IOL POWER SELECTION IN 2020

This course will be presented by the members of the ASCRS IOL calculation subcommittee. It will discuss 8 things you need to know for the best outcomes following cataract surgery. Topics will include the role of the surgeon, accuracy standards, preoperative biometric data validation, an update on IOL power formulas, IOL power selection in high axial myopia and hyperopia, eyes with toric IOL, and eyes with previous corneal refractive surgery.

1:00 -2:30 P.M.

SYM-6 CORNEA ESSENTIALS

Designed as a case-based discussion, topics will include treating ocular surface disease before cataract surgery, corneal lumps and bumps, ectasia, herpetic infectious keratitis, and neurotrophic keratitis.

IC-6 UPDATED IMPLEMENTING TELE-OPHTHALMOLOGY DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Recent government action has expanded telehealth coverage for Medicare beneficiaries nationwide, temporarily waiving penalties for HIPAA violations, and will reimburse physicians for telehealth services at the same rate for face-to-face services. CMS recently announced additional policies, including Medicare coverage for telephone services, and significant additions to the list of covered telehealth services, such as emergency visits.

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2:45 – 4:15 P.M.

SYM-7 GETTIN' MIGSY WITH IT

Come join the team that brought you “MIGS Street Boys” and a “Little Help from my MIGS” for another unforgettable session. Using a mix of video and case presentations we will discuss the nuances, pearls and selection criteria for the many MIGS options. This course will equip you with the surgical tools to advance the care of your glaucoma patients.

IC-7 PEARLS AND PITFALLS WHILE PERFORMING INTRASCLERAL FIXATION OF INTRAOCULAR LENS WITH THE YAMANE TECHNIQUE

Course will provide a step-wise approach to predictably perform intrascleral fixation of intraocular lens using the Yamane technique. Critical elements of surgery to achieve proper fixation of a well-centered IOL will be highlighted and demonstrated using video footage. Case examples of situations where complications arose from improper technique will be shown as will strategies to identify the causes and rectify them.

4:30 – 6:00 P.M.

SYM-8 CHALLENGING CASES IN CATARACT SURGERY VIDEO SYMPOSIUM

Finalists will present their challenging cataract case videos. The winning video will receive the coveted "Golden Apple" teaching award.

IC-8 UNDERSTANDING AND MANAGING PATIENTS UNHAPPY WITH VISION AFTER CATARACT SURGERY

Course will present an approach to patients, particularly those with presbyopia-correcting IOLs, who are unhappy with their visual quality and/or night vision symptoms after cataract surgery. Diagnostic testing, including refraction, examination, and clinical imaging will be outlined. Refractive, medical, and surgical treatments will be discussed. Attendees will learn how patients perceive their vision and ways to assess and to treat problems.