Get to know your YES Clinical Committee Member: Kourtney Houser, MD

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Do you have an OR quirk? I love listening to music in the OR (any type) and always wear fun socks and a scrub cap. Recent favorites are my Memphis Grizzlies socks and my Harry Potter scrub cap.

How do you unwind after a stressful day? Yoga, Peloton, or running—and Schitt’s Creek

What is the most unique place you’ve traveled/visited? Chile, the diversity of geography was just amazing. We were able to explore Chilean Patagonia and see the beautiful Andes as well as the Atacama Desert.

Who is your hero? It’s impossible to pick just one ophthalmology hero. I was lucky to train with a group of giants in our field at Baylor, and I still look up to them for all they have accomplished in advancing the specialty and investing in others.

What’s your favorite movie? I love movies! Picking a favorite is hard, but probably Good Will Hunting.

Thank you to All Annual Meeting Attendees—See You in 2023!

YES attendees—residents, fellows, and physicians within their first 5 years of practice—make up a significant portion of the attendance at the ASCRS Annual Meeting.

Thank you to all who attended ASCRS 2022 in Washington, D.C.! Look for On Demand meeting content here (available beginning May 2 at 12:00 p.m. ET).

We hope to see you May 5–8, 2023, in sunny San Diego, California. Reservations for hotels are available now! Find more info here.
Get a Taste of ASCRS

Mark the ASCRS Summer Meeting down for a few days on your summer schedule. This long-weekend meeting, taking place August 19–21 in Nashville, Tennessee, offers exceptional anterior-segment-focused education.

You’ll find:

- Clinical pearls to put into practice
- Wet labs for young eye surgeons and practicing physicians
- A practice management track for staff and MDs alike
- Networking and connections that only a specialized, in-person meeting facilitates

Registration (open now!) is complimentary for residents and fellows, and is discounted for surgeons within their first 5 years of practice.

Learn more about the meeting and its offerings.

Binge-Worthy … Webinars!

Are you watching the YES Connect Webinars? These hour-long, binge-worthy webinars include YES members and experts discussing a variety of topics, like interviews, social media, mentorship, and more!

The latest installment in this webinar series discusses “Working With Industry—Pearls for the Young Ophthalmologist.” Listen to faculty share the different ways to get involved with industry, learn how to become a key opinion leader, gain pearls on what to mistakes to avoid when beginning to get involved with industry, and how to balance clinical practice with industry involvement.

Catch up on other recent webinars like “Good to Great Surgeon: Complicated Cases,” “Basics of Billing,” and all the YES Connect webinars here.

Educational and Networking Opportunities with ASCRS
YES Connect Webinars: “Working With Industry—Pearls for the Young Ophthalmologist,” the latest installment in the YES Connect webinar series, is online now! Keep your eye out for the May installment of YES Connect, which will focus on EyeSustain, a new initiative that focuses on economic and environmental sustainability in ophthalmology.

Beyond 20/20: An ASCRS Series in Modern Refractive Surgery and Presbyopia Therapy: Beyond 20/20, an ASCRS series sponsored by the Refractive Surgery Clinical Committee, is now available fully on demand online. Learn more about the four-module series—there’s still time to register! Registration is complimentary for U.S. and international residents and U.S. fellows.

ASCRS Grand Rounds: ASCRS Grand Rounds with NYU Langone Health Department of Ophthalmology is on demand now! Watch it here, and be sure to join us for the next edition in May with the University of California, San Diego, Shiley Eye Institute presenting! Find past recordings here.

Ophthalmology Quicksand Chronicles Podcast: Ophthalmology Quicksand Chronicles, an ASCRS podcast hosted by Nicole Fram, MD, and Elizabeth Yeu, MD, most recently welcomed guest Amar Agarwal, MD. Archived episodes of Season 1 are available on the ASCRS website (log in with your ASCRS ID to view).

Helpful Links and Resources:

ASCRS YES Membership
ASCRS Clinical Education
ASCRS Online Tools
ASCRS Annual Meeting

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