2025 Clinical Program & Meeting Schedule

Updated: 7.20.25

Sunday, August 3, 2025		
4:00 pm	Meeting Registration Opens	Conference Lobby outside Bay 5/6
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm	AESC Foundation Board of Trustees	Casco Bay Ballroom
5:30 pm - 6:15 pm	Gathering for New Members with AESC & Foundation Officers	Casco Bay Ballroom
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Welcome Reception/Dinner	Resort Front Lawn

Monday, August 4, 2025		
6:30 am - 9:30 am	Breakfast for Members & families	Casco Bay Ballroom
7:30 am - 12:45 pm	General Sessions	Bay 5/6 Ballrooms
7:30 am - 9:00 am	Welcome and Introductions All members around the table	Gary Lelli, MD; President New York, NY Pamela Williams, MD; Program Chair Ann Arbor, MI
9:00 am - 10:15 am	Scientific Session I	Moderator: Nina Goyal, MD
9:00 am (15)	Treatment Response and Safety of Faricimab in Underrepresented Patients with DME: Year 1 Results from ELEVATUM in the US	Joseph Coney, MD Beachwood, OH
9:15 am (15)	Outcomes of Diabetic Patients with Post-Operative Vitreous Hemorrhage Treated with Intravitreal Bevacizumab	Matthew A. Cunningham, MD Orlando, FL
9:30 am (15)	Screening for Diabetes in Pennsylvania: The Pennsylvania Academy of Ophthalmology State-wide Screening Effort	Jeffrey D. Henderer, MD Haverford, PA
9:45 am (15)	Impact of Geocode-Based Social Drivers of Health on Disease Severity at Presentation and Progression of Diabetic Retinopathy	Basil Williams, MD Miami, FL
10:00 am (15)	Current Approaches to Managing the Most Advanced Diabetic Retinopathy	Curtis Hagedorn, MD Denver, CO
10:15 am - 10:30 am	Coffee Break	Conference Area Lobby

10:30 am - 12:45 am	Scientific Session II	Moderator: Annette Giangiacomo, MD
10:30 am (15)	One Fellowship Program's Experience Committing to Pneumatic Retinopexy	D. Wilkin Parke, MD Edina, MN
10: 45 am (15)	A Few of My Favorite Things (Give a moment for the peripheral retina)	Robert Beardsley, MD <i>Eugene, OR</i>
11:00 am (15)	The Man Who Had Endophthalmitis 7 Times	Cynthia Chiu, MD Danville, CA
11:15 am (15)	Endophthalmitis After Pars Plana Vitrectomy: Safety and Efficacy of Intraoperative Intraocular Antibiotics	Murtaza Adam, MD Denver, CO
11:30 am (15)	Incidence of Acute Uveitis after Starting a Prostaglandin Analog Compared with Other Classes of Glaucoma Medications	Krishna Kishor, MD Palm Beach Gardens, FL
11:45 am (15)	Angle-Closure Glaucoma: New Perspectives	James Tsai, MD New York, NY
12:00 pm (15)	SSRIs Treat EverythingEven Glaucoma	Benjamin Frankfort, MD Houston, TX
12:15 pm - 12:45 pm (30)	Advocacy Symposium – Advocating for Our Patients and Our Profession	Darby Miller, MD MPH; Jacksonville, FL Andrea Tooley, MD; Rochester, MN K. David Epley, MD; Kirkland, WA Sidney Gicheru, MD; Irving, TX
12:45 pm	Meeting Adjourns Afternoon and evening recreational activities	

Tuesday, August 5, 2025		
6:30 am - 9:30 am	Buffet Breakfast for Members and Families	Casco Bay Ballroom
7:00 am - 8:00 am (60)	OMIC Risk Management Session – Lessons Learned: When Safety Protocols Fail	Robert S. Gold, MD Maitland, FL Brian A. Welcome, MD Greenville, SC
8:00 am - 12:30 am	General Session	Bay 5/6 Ballrooms
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Scientific Session III	Moderator: K. David Epley, MD
8:00 am	Announcements & New Introductions	
8:08 am (7)	The Terry Bergstrom History Talk - The AESC 50 Years Ago	Robert S. Gold, MD Maitland, FL
8:15 am (15)	Digital Design for an Academic Eye Institute	P. Lloyd Hildebrand, MD Las Vegas, NV
8:30 am (15)	Seeing Too Much: A Ten-Year Trajectory of Consult Overload	Jacquelyn O'Banion, MD MSc Atlanta, GA

8:45 am (15)	In-office Ophthalmic Surgery: The way of the future?	Derek DelMonte, MD Greensboro, NC
9:00 am (15)	Leveraging AI to Streamline Clinical Operations	Purnima Sharad Patel, MD Decatur, GA
9:15 am (15)	Private Equity: SWOT Analysis	Chris Albanis, MD Chicago, IL
9:30 am (15)	Business Resources for the Entire Ophthalmology Team	Robert Melendez, MD MBA Albuquerque, NM
9:45 am (15)	Partners Gone Wild- Adventures in Unprofessionalism	Jeff Maltzman, MD Tucson, AZ
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Coffee Break	
10:15 am - 12:30 am	Scientific Session IV	Moderator: Andrea Tooley, MD
10:15 am (15)	Patchy Ischemic Retinal Whitening in Sturge Weber Syndrome	Edward Hall, MD Rochester, NY
10:30 am (15)	Pocket Steroids for MOGAD Relapses: A Prospective Study	John Chen, MD PhD Rochester, MN
10:45 am (15)	Ozempic Face	Jeremiah Tao, MD Irvine, CA
11:00 am (15)	Frontalis Flaps: My First Cases	George S. Ellis, Jr., MD New Orleans, LA
11:15 am (15)	Automated Periorbital Measurement using Deep Learning	Ann Q. Tran, MD Chicago, IL
11:30 am (15)	Impairment Management- What is Our Deficit?	Lauren Ditta, MD Memphis, TN
11:45 am - 12:30 am (45)	36 [™] Albert D. Ruedemann Lecture Pus, Perforations and Pemphagoid	J. James Rowsey, MD Largo, FL
12:30 pm Afternoon Evening	Meeting Adjourns Pickle Ball & Recreation on your own AESC Banquet - Lake Cruse departs dock at 6 pm	

Wednesday, August 6, 2025		
6:30 am - 9:30 am	Buffet Breakfast for Members and Families	Casco Bay Ballroom
8:00 am - 12:15 pm	General Session	Bay 5/6 Ballrooms
8:00 am - 9:30 am	Scientific Session V	Moderator: Bibiana Jin Reiser, MD MS
8:00 am	Announcements & New Introductions	
8:08 am (7)	Case Presentation	Reeves Samaha, MD MPH Gainesville, FL

8:15 am (15)	What's New in Strabismus (yes, really)	David Plager, MD Indianapolis, IN
8:30 am (15)	Four-year Outcomes from an Eye Clinic for Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities	Michael Puente, MD Aurora, CO
8:45 am (15)	Safety Assessment of Aqueous Humor Liquid Biopsy in Retinoblastoma: A Multicenter Study of 1,203 Procedures	Jesse Berry, MD Los Angeles, CA
9:00 am (15)	ROP Case: A California Thing	Shira Robbins, MD La Jolla, CA
9:15 am (15)	Jet Stream in the Vitreous	Vaidehi Dedania, MD <i>New York, NY</i>
9:30 am (15)	Intravitreal Therapy in Pediatric Patients	Victor Villegas, MD San Juan, PR
9:45 am - 10:00 am	Coffee Break	
10:00 am - 12:15 pm	Scientific Session VI	Moderator: Benjamin Frankfort, MD PhD
10:00 am (15)	The Role of GLP-1 Receptor Agonists in Eye Diseases	Aleksandra Ratchitskaya, MD Cleveland, OH
10:15 am (15)	Old Habits Die Hard: Evaluating the Clincal Cross Reactivity of Penicllin and Cephalosporins	Caesar Luo, MD Walnut Creek, CA
10:30 am (15)	Will We Ever Get A Real Treatment for Dry Eye Syndrome?	Carla Ford, MD Columbus, OH
10:45 am (15)	Evidence-Based Guidelines for Keratorefractive Lenticule Extraction Surgery	Sonny Goel, MD Towson, MD
11:00 am (30)	A.I. Symposium	RV Paul Chan, MD MBA; <i>Chicago, IL</i> Robert S. Gold, MD; <i>Maitland, FL</i> Mark Rosenblatt, MD PhD MBA; <i>Chicago</i> Jeffrey Henderer, MD; <i>Philadelphia, PA</i> Sally Baxter, MD Msc; <i>La Jolla, CA</i>
11:30 am - 12:15 pm (45)	21 ST AESC FOUNDATION JERRY & DONNA KNAUER LECTURE - A.I. in Ophthalmology in 2025: Opportunities and Challenges	Sally Baxter, MD MSc La Jolla, CA
12:15 pm	Meeting Adjourns Afternoon Recreation; Dinner on your own	

Thursday, August 7, 2025		
6:30 am - 9:30 am	Buffet Breakfast for Members & Families	Casco Bay Ballroom
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Scientific Session VII	Moderator: Ann-Marie Lobo-Chan MD
1:30 pm (10)	A Regression Out of the Mean: Why I Decided to Go Back to School	Bibiana Jin Reiser, MD MS Los Angeles, CA
1:40 pm (10)	A Lighthearted Guide to Survival Gardening	Andrea Tooley, MD Rochester, MN
1:50 pm (10)	High Pursuits: The Beauty and Grit of Mountain Hunting	Steven M. Couch, MD St. Louis, MO
2:00 pm (15)	3 Cases per Weekthe Great Masquerader is Everywhere	Ann-Marie Lobo-Chan, MD Chicago, IL
2:15 pm (20)	Zoster Eye Disease Study The Effect of Valacyclovir on Post-herpetic Neuralgia in the Zoster Eye Disease Study	Keith Baratz, MD Rochester, MN Chris Estopinal, MD Richmond, VA
2:35 pm (10	Navigating Grief and Loss	Thomas C. Lee, MD Los Angeles, CA
2:45 pm (10)	Travel Like a Champ	Wendy Lee, MD <i>Miami, FL</i>
2:55 pm (10)	Glaucoma Surgery in Ghana Using Ophthalmic Nurses For Post-Operative Care: A Case Series - 2 Years of Follow-up	Charles Cole, MD New York, NY
3:05 pm (25)	Panel Discussion: Lessons For and From International Ophthalmology	Leela Raju, MD; <i>New Orleans, LA</i> Charles Cole, MD; <i>New York, NY</i> Jacquelyn O'Banion, MD MSc; Atlanta
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Ice Cream Social	Casco Bay Ballroom
4:00 pm - 5:15 pm	AESC Business Meeting	Bay 5/6 Ballrooms
5:15 pm	Conference Adjourns	
6:00 pm	Baptismo Emeritus Reception	Lakeview Terrace
7:00 pm	Baptismo Emeritus Dinner	Resort Front Lawn