



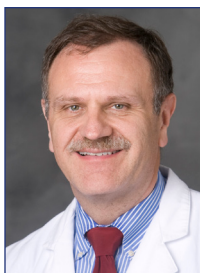
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The Newsletter of the Orthopaedic Trauma Association

Fall 2016



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

*Steven A. Olson, MD*

### OTA and Health Policy – Where Are We in 2016?

This year as our annual meeting approaches the topic of health policy seems to be on the minds of many of our members. This is due in part because we are in the height of campaign season in the US Presidential election, and our annual meeting is to be held adjacent to Washington D.C. in the National Harbor complex. As our organization continues to grow with now 11 distinct membership categories and total membership exceeding 2,000 members, it seems timely to consider how the OTA interacts with health policy and related topics.

From my perspective, this is a Mission, Vision, Values driven matter. The Mission of the OTA is to promote excellence in care for the injured patient through scientific forums, musculoskeletal research, and education of orthopaedic surgeons and the public. Embedded in our vision and values is the aspiration to be the authoritative source for the treatment of musculoskeletal injury; flowing from this are the dual goals of improving the knowledge base and communicating this information across the globe, as well as fostering OTA members to provide worldwide leadership through education, research, and patient advocacy.

The OTA program committee has done a tremendous job in maintaining and improving the quality and volume of educational offering at our Annual Meeting. Over the past years, the attendance of our Annual Meeting has grown, and this year early registration is on track to exceed previous years. The growing interest in health policy related topics has caused the OTA Board of Directors to provide guidance regarding

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## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

*Hassan R. Mir, MD, MBA, FACS*

Welcome to the Fall 2016 OTA Newsletter! The 32nd Annual Meeting in Washington DC is approaching soon and it is certainly an interesting time to be heading to the nation's capital in the heat of election season. The meeting will be packed with opportunities for education, networking, camaraderie and fun. This edition of the newsletter highlights several of the upcoming meeting events. In addition to the meeting info, this issue includes several committee reports, announcements, a timely report on acronyms in health policy, and a message from the OTA President on the OTA and health policy.

The next edition of the newsletter will come out around the holidays, so please be sure to send any suggestions, content and photos to [HMir@FloridaOrtho.com](mailto:HMir@FloridaOrtho.com).



**PROGRAM CHAIR**  
*Robert V. O'Toole, MD*

On behalf of the OTA Program Committee and President Steven A. Olson, MD, I am pleased to invite you to the 32nd Annual Meeting of the Orthopaedic Trauma Association (OTA) to be held in National Harbor, Maryland (Washington, DC area). The efforts of our dedicated program planning committee have produced an outstanding meeting that is sure to provide highlights of the latest clinical and research advances in our field.

This year's meeting will highlight four main symposia: the first day will lead off with a discussion of how to optimize amputee care as well as exciting new innovations in amputee care. Our second and third main symposia will investigate the latest developments in "problem fractures" as well as the most recent advances in the management of hip fractures. For a second consecutive year we will feature one large randomized trial as its own symposium and the FAITH trial will have its results presented for the first time at our meeting. Also based on its popular review last year, we are bringing back a single podium session of the committee's "Chairman" papers - elite studies chosen as the best 6 randomized controlled trials submitted this year regardless of topic.

More than 98 podium presentations and 164 posters were selected by the Program Committee from over 800 abstracts submitted. The quality continues to improve at our meeting as over 25% of the podiums this year are randomized trials! Concurrent with the paper sessions, the mini-symposia, case presentations, and skills labs will concentrate on more focused topics, and allow attendees to customize their meeting experience. The scientific program will include the most relevant and scientifically sound research submitted.

We encourage all to arrive early to the Annual Meeting and take full advantage of the pre-meeting courses, listed on pages 2-3. The common feature of each program event is the commitment to providing the highest quality, most interesting and clinically relevant material related to musculoskeletal trauma by world-class faculty and experts. We truly believe that anyone involved in the field will benefit from the 2016 OTA Annual Meeting.

We look forward to seeing you in National Harbor!

*RVg*  
Robert V. O'Toole, MD

## **BUSINESS MEETING**

Thursday, October 6, 5:00 - 6:00 pm  
Gaylord National Harbor  
Room: Potomac Ballroom ABCD

[Spring Business Meeting Minutes](#)

[Fall Business Meeting Agenda](#)

## **PRE-MEETING EVENTS**

### **Basic Science Focus Forum**

October 5 - 6

**11 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**

Academic orthopaedic surgeons, community surgeons with an interest in clinically relevant basic science, basic and clinical researchers, residents and fellows will benefit most from this Basic Science Focus Forum.

### **CPT & ICD-10 Coding Conundrums**

October 5

**6 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**

Margaret Maley from KarenZupko & Associates, Inc. returns to OTA just as Medicare and other payers are "turning up the heat" on diagnosis coding requiring more specific documentation and reporting of ICD-10-CM codes!

### **International Orthopaedic Trauma Care Forum**

October 5

**8.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**

The Orthopaedic Trauma Association (OTA) International Orthopaedic Trauma Care Forum is for the benefit of orthopaedic trauma surgeons and related allied health care professionals with an interest in international trauma healthcare.

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## PRE-MEETING EVENTS, CONTINUED

### Grant Writing Workshop

October 5

5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™

This workshop is designed for anyone who is interested in writing competitive peer-reviewed grants. It is particularly suited for younger faculty, trauma fellows, and senior level residents who are going to pursue a career in orthopaedic trauma. The workshop will focus on securing entry-level grants (e.g., OTA-sponsored grants) and aiming toward later securing secondary higher-level funding (NIH or DoD).

### Orthopaedic Trauma for PAs and NPs

October 5 – 6

This program has been reviewed and is approved for a maximum of 13.75 hours of AAPA Category 1 CME credit by the Physician Assistant Review Panel. Physician assistants should claim only those hours actually spent participating in the CME activity.



This course is intended for PAs and NPs who are earlier in their careers or experience of treating orthopaedic trauma while practicing in general orthopaedics, taking acute orthopaedic call with inpatient/outpatient or caring for orthopaedic injuries in ER/UC/General Trauma services.

### Orthopaedic Trauma Boot Camp

October 5 – 6

12.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™

This course is intended for the practicing orthopaedic surgeon who takes trauma call. Techniques in orthopaedic care will be stressed with attention to appropriate soft tissue management and up-to-date implant selection. Case discussions will be used for interactive learning and audience participation.

### Residents Comprehensive Fracture Course

October 5 – 7

The Residents Comprehensive Fracture Course will be presented in six (6) separate small group modules, with 22 - 24 residents and 5 experienced faculty educators per module. The modules will have a rapid-fire series of mini-lectures, an extensive open case-based discussion, video demonstrations of techniques, and hands-on skills lab exercises. Modules will cover fundamental principles of fracture care distributed among six topics: articular, diaphyseal, foot & ankle, geriatrics, pediatrics, and pelvis/poly-trauma/acetabulum, plus a lunch-time spine session.

### Young Practitioners Forum

October 6

4 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™

This course is designed for orthopaedic residents, fellows, and young practitioners to promote career planning and development during residency and selection of best practice environment.

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## 2016 ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

### Annual Meeting Guest Nation - India

The Indian Orthopaedic Association and the Indian Trauma Society are extremely honored to be selected as the OTA Annual Meeting 2016 Guest Nation. Make plans to attend the International Forum pre-meeting event on October 5, as well as the Annual Meeting for symposia with your Indian colleagues.

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## 2016 ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS, CONT'D

### International Reception

The International Poster Reception will take place in the Potomac Foyer on Wednesday, October 5, 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm. All International attendees are welcomed to attend.



2015 SIGN Scholar Saju Pradhan with Ted Miclau.

### Welcome Reception and Auction



October 6  
6:00 - 8:00 pm  
Potomac Terrace

See list of auction items beginning on page 8.

### OTA Video Theater

Visit the OTA Video Theater and learn new or evolving techniques! View and evaluate selected peer reviewed videos from your colleagues. The Theater will be in the exhibit hall during exhibit hours, beginning on Thursday afternoon.



### OTA Candidate Member Town Hall Meeting

Friday, October 7, 2016

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Gaylord, Potomac 5 - 6

[Click here to RSVP](#)

The OTA would like to extend an invitation to all OTA Candidate Members (as well as any Resident, Fellow, and Young Practitioner attending the OTA Annual Meeting) to join a Town Hall Meeting to share ideas regarding future OTA programming and resources. Please join us for this informal meeting, and a chance to share your ideas, as well as learn about new and existing resources, education and volunteer opportunities.



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### Research Town Hall

Wednesday, October 5, 2016

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Room: National Harbor 9

Attention OTA Orthopaedic Trauma Researchers! Are you interested in joining OTA colleagues in participating in a research study group and/or multi-center clinical research project? If the answer is yes, mark your calendar for an OTA Research Town Meeting scheduled to take place at the OTA Annual Meeting.

The OTA Strategic Research Initiative (SRI) Committee will host the Town Hall Meeting with a goal of assisting in identifying key questions, helping to connect individuals with common research interests, recruiting lead investigators, and facilitating the formation of new research study groups/ initiatives. Please come ready to share your interests and ideas. Although the OTA does not guarantee funding of these new study groups and initiatives, we do encourage application to the OTA Research Grant

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## 2016 ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS, CONT'D

Fund. The OTA is committed to facilitating designated meeting times and space at future OTA Meetings. Please contact the OTA Business Office with questions, ideas and feedback. We hope to see you there.

OTA Strategic Research Initiative Committee:

**Greg Della Rocca** (chair), **Steve Olson**, **Ted Midlau**, **Brett Crist**, **Ed Harvey**, **Todd McKinley**, **Bob O'Toole**

### Women's Lunch

Kathy Cramer, MD  
Women in Orthopaedic  
Trauma Luncheon  
Friday, October 7, 2016  
12:15 pm - 1:15 pm  
Toni McLaurin, MD,  
chair and  
Carla Smith, MD, co-chair



Going to the OTA Annual Meeting? Be sure to register for this annual luncheon in honor of Dr. Kathy Cramer. Don't miss out on this delightful opportunity for good conversation, good food and good company.

### New Member Luncheon

Friday, October 7, 2016  
12:15 pm - 1:15 pm

New members and prospective members are encouraged to attend to hear about the benefits of OTA membership and how to best take advantage of services.



### Military Reception

Attend the military reception on Friday evening in the Potomac Foyer, just outside the Annual Meeting General Session. Thank you to all current and former military for your contributions to the field of orthopaedic trauma.



2015 Annual Meeting Military Reception

## 2016 ANNUAL MEETING ON DEMAND

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### Annual Meeting On Demand 2016

With many sessions occurring simultaneously, On Demand gives you the opportunity to participate in all key presentations, helping you maximize the investment you've made in attending the live meeting.

OTA Annual Meeting On Demand features online access to break-outs, pre-meeting events and podium presentations from any computer or mobile device. Note: content will not include PA/NP or Coding Courses.

Purchase at a discounted rate before October 8.

Visit the On Demand Booth in Potomac Foyer

### Legacy Society Membership Recognition

Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM at the Welcome and Donor Awards Event

General Session Room, Potomac Ball Room A-D

Don't miss the Legacy Society Membership Recognition Tree located outside the General Session Room. It's not too late to become a Legacy Society Member - Contact Bonnie Emberton at [emberton@ota.org](mailto:emberton@ota.org) for more information on becoming a member.

*Thank You to all who are volunteering  
at the 2016 Annual Meeting!*



### Mobile App

Search "OTA Annual Meeting" in Google Play or the iTunes App store to download the 2016 Annual Meeting. From the convenience of your phone you can create your schedule for the week, read abstracts, view e-posters, search exhibitors and more.

## INDUSTRY SESSIONS

**Thursday, October 6**  
**11:15 am - 12:45 pm**



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**DePuy Synthes:** Proximal Femur Fractures: Treatment Options and Continuum of Care

**Faculty:** Joseph Borrelli Jr., MD  
Gregory J. Della Rocca, MD, PhD, FACS  
Frank A. Liporace, MD



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**DePuy Synthes:** Lessons Learned: Treatment Options for Elbow Instability & Complex Elbow Fractures

**Faculty:** Eben A. Carroll, MD  
David S. Wellman, MD



**Stryker:** Complex Foot and Ankle Trauma Case Studies

**Faculty:** Kenneth J. Koval, Chair, MD  
Roy Sanders, MD  
Cory A. Collinge, MD  
Joshua Langford, MD.

**Description:** Attendees will be exposed to a didactic and highly interactive discussion around complex foot and ankle trauma case studies.



**Zimmer Biomet:** How to Get Better Outcomes with Proximal Humerus Fractures

**Faculty:** Paul Kiritsis, MD  
**Description:** Discussion on proximal humerus fractures, the importance of utilizing an anatomic 135° neck shaft angle with internal subchondral support, and features and benefits of the NEW Zimmer Biomet A.L.P.S.® Proximal Humerus Plating System.



**Ziehm Imaging:** Game Changing Technology for Mobile Intraoperative 3D Imaging in Trauma Surgery

**Faculty:** Milton J. Routt, MD

**Description:** Discussion on using the latest in intraoperative imaging technology to help improve patient outcomes by using real-time critical assessments of closed and open reductions prior to definitive fixation, reducing potential revisions and minimizing radiation accumulated from post-operative imaging studies. This session will include case examples of images taken from the Ziehm Vision RFD 3D mobile C-arm in femoral neck and acetabular fractures and pelvic trauma procedures.



**Skeletal Dynamics:** Internal Joint Stabilizer for the Management of Elbow Instability

**Faculty:** Jorge L. Orbay, MD

**Description:** Lecture and surgical demonstration of a new and novel internal device for the management of unstable elbows.



**Nuvasive Specialized Orthopedics:** Remote Controlled Intramedullary Limb Lengthening Solution for the Orthopedic Trauma Surgeon

**Faculty:** J. Tracy Watson, MD  
S. Robert Rozbruch, MD  
Austin T. Fragomen, MD  
Mitchell Bernstein, MD

**Description:** Discussion on the latest advancement in limb lengthening surgery with an intramedullary device. This session will include case examples, tips and tricks and how to avoid complications. The PRECICE Intramedullary Limb Lengthening System is a novel adjustable state-of-the-art device that utilizes a remote control to non-invasively lengthen the femur or tibia.

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## INDUSTRY SESSIONS, CONTINUED

Thursday, October 6:  
11:15 am - 12:45 pm



**Acumed:** New Solutions in Ankle Fracture Fixation

**Faculty:** Bruce H. Ziran, MD

**Description:** This 90 minute course provides opportunities for hands-on sawbones workshops and didactic lecture surrounding ankle fracture repair. Dr. Bruce Ziran, the Director of Orthopaedic Trauma at the Hughston Clinic at Gwinnett Medical Center, will deliver advanced instruction for common and uncommon ankle orthopaedic treatments. He will provide a series of talks showcasing insight from their clinical experience, sharing tips, pearls, and current treatment trends. Following there will be a 60-minute hands-on surgical technique instruction using the Acumed Ankle 3 Plating System.



**CARA Therapeutics:** Moving Beyond Mu with Kappa Opioid Receptor Agonists — Leaving the Baggage Behind

**Faculty:** Hassan R. Mir, MD, MBA, FACS  
Joseph W. Stauffer, DO, MBA

**Description:** Learn about a novel peripherally acting kappa opioid receptor agonist, CR845, which is in phase 3 trials for postoperative pain (IV) and phase 2 trials for chronic pain (oral). Its unique pharmacologic properties produce analgesia with low abuse potential and little-to-no mu opioid side effects like nausea/vomiting and respiratory depression.



**Miami Device Solutions**

Proximal Humerus Fractures: New Techniques and Technology to Minimize Failures

**Faculty:** Michael Gardner, MD  
Samir Mehta, MD  
Surena Namdari, MD, MSc

**Description:** In this session, faculty and attendees will discuss clinical decision making for operative/non-operative treatment, tips and tricks to facilitate surgical reductions, and novel techniques and implants to maximize mechanical stability. Format will include short talks, panel discussions, and case presentations.

Friday, October 7  
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm



**Zimmer Biomet:** A New Option in Femoral Neck Fracture Treatment: Augmented Fixation with the N-Force Fixation System

**Faculty:** Thomas A. Russell, MD  
Anthony S. Rhorer, MD

**Description:** Attendees will listen to a didactic presentation and view a moderated surgery using an augmented fixation system, integrating fenestrated screws and a Bone Substitute Material (BSM) into a single construct to provide improved metaphyseal void fill and increase structural support of the implant.



**LEGALLY MINE**

**Legally Mine:** Keys to Locking Out Lawsuits and Lowering Taxes

**Faculty:** Art McOmber

**Description:** Through this course attendees will truly understand exactly how, why and where legal entities should be used for both lawsuit prevention and income tax reduction. The course is given in plain English and when done most attendees understand the proper use of legal tools for the first time in their lives. The mission of Legally Mine is to empower members of the healthcare and business communities with the knowledge and tools to protect their assets from lawsuits, legitimately reduce their tax liability, and to cultivate an environment wherein they can thrive financially.

## ANNUAL MEETING – “RECHARGE” EVENTS

**Yoga: Surgeon Fitness, Mindfulness and Recharge**

Two sessions: Wednesday 10/5, 7 pm - 8 pm  
and Friday 10/7, 6 am - 7 am

Exercise and mindfulness reduces stress and burnout. Instruction provided from beginner to advanced levels.

**Bicycling Event: Tour de Bone**

Thursday 10/6, 7 am - 10 am

Join fellow attendees on the 2nd Annual Tour de Bone.

**Tai Chi for Surgeons**

Saturday 10/8, 6 am - 7 am

Join fellow attendees to recharge for a more positive learning experience - tai chi for surgeons. Beginner to advanced levels welcomed.

## OTA MILITARY SCHOLARSHIP CAMPAIGN

Thank you OTA Members (Lisa K. Cannada, MD, Curt P Comstock, MD, Roman A Hayda, MD, Thomas M Large, MD, James Frederick Mautner, MD, Berton R Moed, MD, Eric L. Pagenkopf, MD, Brendan M Patterson, MD, Carla S. Smith, MD) and **The Geneva Foundation** for your generous 2016 Military Registration Scholarship donations! Together we raised over \$5,000, which will provide scholarships to OTA Military Orthopaedic Surgeons for their registration fees to the 2016 OTA Annual Meeting. All OTA Military Members were contacted on Sept. 2nd with Scholarship Details.



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## JOB INTERVIEWS

The OTA will be offering institutions with job vacancies an opportunity to conduct interviews at the Annual Meeting this October. On the [Annual Meeting page](#)-under the heading titled, "Job Interview Opportunities at OTA" you can search institutions that will be available to conduct interviews at the OTA. When you click on that tab, you will institutions that have job opportunities. Application submissions and interviews will be directed through the contact listed on the job description.

If you have any questions/feedback regarding the job posting for OTA, please contact [ota@ota.org](mailto:ota@ota.org).

## 2016 WELCOME RECEPTION AUCTION

### Welcome Reception and LIVE Auction

October 6  
6:00 - 8:00 pm  
Potomac Terrace

### US Flags

Two Chances to Win:  
US Flags flown by a US para-rescue group at a base in Turkey running missions into Syria and Iraq for personnel recovery with certificates certifying mission, location and pilot write-up.

**Donor:** Drs. Wade Gordon and Anna Miller



### Breckenridge Ski Vacation Package



Breckenridge, Colorado – 3-night stay at a beautiful 4-level townhome on Peak 8 of Breckenridge Ski

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## 2016 WELCOME RECEPTION AUCTION, CONT'D

Resort in the exclusive Park Forest Estates, \$500 airline/travel gift card and a \$200 local grocery credit (gift card). The townhome is located on the free ski shuttle route and it is possible to ski back to the home at the end of the day. Amenities include a 2-car garage, private hot tub, large master bedroom suite, 3/bedrooms/3 bathrooms. Beautifully furnished.

**Package availability:** May be used within 1-year, subject to availability, excluding holidays. May extend the stay if desired, subject to availability and owners discretion.

**Donors:** Drs. Andrew Schmidt Townhome in Breckenridge, R.K. Leighton and Jeffrey Anglen grocery gift card

### *Sonoma Valley Private Winery Tours, Sonoma Valley, California*

Enjoy a weekend get-away for 2 that includes a private tour and wine tasting at the Lowenberg family winery, 2-nights lodging at the exclusive MacArthur Place Hotel and a \$500 travel gift card.

Your tour will begin at the Lowenberg family winery, with OTA member Dr. David Lowenberg.

Additional tours can be arranged by Dr. Lowenberg at nearby private wineries (not otherwise open to the public). Recommended timing for the winery tours is spring or fall.

Sonoma Private Winery Tours may include Hanzell Winery, Petroni or Gunlac-Bundshu. Lodging will be provided at the MacArthur Place Hotel, which is walking distance to the Sonoma town square. <http://www.macarthurplace.com/index.php> (note: tours and lodging may be substituted based on availability.

**Donors:** Drs. David W. Lowenberg - Winery Tours, Robert Probe, David Teague

### *Private Wine Collection*

Two Cases of Wine from the private wine collection of OTA Member Gregory Schmeling, MD. A sommelier couldn't be more impressed or delighted with the exquisite wines included in this collection. This package is a must have addition for your collection.

**Donor:** Gregory Schmeling

### *Chicago Weekend Package - Alinea Dining Experience and Chicago Athletic Hotel*

Dinner for two with wine pairings at Alinea, Ranked #15 in the world for 2016 by The

World's Best Restaurants, and two night stay at the Chicago Athletic Hotel, across from

Millennium Park and the Art

Institute, a \$150 gift certificate to Joe's Stone Crab and a \$750 travel gift certificate.



#### **Alinea**

It has three times been named the Best Restaurant in America and is the only restaurant in Chicago, and one of the only 12 in the US, to earn the coveted Michelin 3-Star rating. It has also won the James Beard Award for Best Service in the United States. Alinea was founded in 2005 by Chef Grant Achatz and Nick Kokonas. Featuring a single, seasonally driven tasting menu of between 18-22 courses, the experience of dining at Alinea is not only delicious but also emotional and provocative. Alinea has been universally praised for its innovative approach to modernist cuisine. Your choice of one of the two culinary experiences of your life!

#### **The Gallery Menu**

The first floor gallery provides seating for 16 only. A multi-sensory 16-to-18 course menu combines fine dining with experimental moments. With two seating's per night we ask that you arrive on time or the experience may begin without you.

#### **The Salon Menu**

Our three second floor salons offer a 10-12 course tasting menu. A more approachable experience, this menu is no less innovative or satiating for mind and body.

[Welcome to Alinea](#) Video

[Edible Balloon Course](#) Video

#### **Chicago Athletic Hotel - 2 Night Stay**

Located on the Chicago Cultural Mile on Michigan Avenue with views of Millennium Park.



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## 2016 WELCOME RECEPTION AUCTION, CONT'D

### Chicago Athletic Hotel, continued

With echoes of billiard balls, poker chips and clinking glasses frozen within its walls, this 1890's Venetian Gothic landmark springs back to life as an incomparable historic downtown Chicago hotel—where the spirit of play reigns supreme.

After all, this is the city where the can-and-will-do attitude of Ernie “Let’s Play Two!” Banks lives on, where the father of Chicago blues, Muddy Waters, shook all night long at the Checkerboard Lounge and Sir Duke tickled the ivories at The Blue Note.

This is the club whose members swam with five-time Olympic gold medalist Johnny Weissmuller—a.k.a. the original Hollywood Tarzan—and watched their fellow member Pudge Heffelfinger own so much end zone, he became football’s first pro.

Today, Chicago Athletic Association is a historic monument to the big-shouldered, switch hitting spirit that defines our city.

**Donors:** Aliena Hospitality, Lettuce Entertain You Restaurants, Chicago Athletic Hotel, Conference Direct

### Orthopaedic Trauma Surgeon Wine Cellar Reserve Wine Case

Are you a wine connoisseur or do you just enjoy a delectable bottle of wine? Add these favorite bottles of wine from the OTA Board of Directors, Past Presidents, and Leadership to your collection. Some from private collections and not available in stores/on-line.

- 2 Bottles - White Conundrum Wine
- 2 Bottles of Duckhorn Three Palms Merlot
- 1 Bottle - 2013 Orin Swift Mercury Head Cabernet Sauvignon
- 2 Bottles of Justin Isolesces Reserve
- 1 Bottle of Stag’s Leap Cask 23
- 1 Bottle of Sassicaia (Bordeaux-style red wines)

**Donors:** Drs. Michael Archdeacon, Tim Bray, Joshua Gary, Ramon Gustilo, Ross Leighton, Doug Lundy, Andrew Pollak, Marc Swiontkowski, and Donald Wiss

### Joe Mauer Signed Jersey

A Joe Mauer signed Twins Baseball Jersey. Joseph “Joe” Patrick Mauer is an American professional baseball player. He has played as a catcher, designated hitter, and first baseman for the Minnesota Twins in Major League Baseball. He is



the only catcher in MLB history to win three batting titles, and the only catcher to ever win a batting title in the American League. He also won three consecutive Gold Glove awards, and the 2009 American League Most Valuable Player Award.

**Donor:** Marc F. Swiontkowski

### Coach Krzyzewski Signed Basketball



Duke University basketball signed by Coach Krzyzewski (Sha-shef-skee). Winning seasons, superb graduation rates for his players and a basketball team that is as close as family, are all attributes that reflect on the man who is now in his 36th season as

the head coach of the Blue Devils, Mike Krzyzewski. Coach K further solidified his status in the upper echelon of coaching on Nov. 15, 2011, when he became the winningest coach in college basketball history with a 74-69 Duke win over Michigan State at Madison Square Garden. Krzyzewski returned to MSG Jan. 25, 2015, to achieve another historic milestone when he became the first NCAA Division I men’s basketball coach to reach 1,000 career wins with a 77-68 victory over St. John’s.

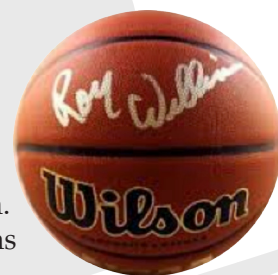
“There will be others that win more, but it is kind of neat to be the first one to 1,000” Krzyzewski said of the accomplishment. “I am proud of that, too: It’s not just the number of wins, but the quality of opponents we’ve had. To win the 1,000th here, you need to be a lucky guy. I love my place, Cameron, but this is a magical place, as well.”

In 35 seasons at Duke, Krzyzewski, a Hall of Fame coach and 12-time National Coach of the Year, has built a dynasty that few programs in the history of the game can match.

**Donor:** Steven Olson

### Roy Williams Signed Basketball

University of North Carolina Signed Basketballs - One signed by Coach Roy Williams and the other by the UNC basketball team. North Carolina coach Roy Williams has experienced great success throughout his coaching career. Since taking the reins in Lawrence, Kansas back in 1988, Williams has been one of the winningest coaches in college basketball.



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## 2016 WELCOME RECEPTION AUCTION, CONT'D

He has come out victorious 783 times in his career, winning two NCAA Tournament titles, and guiding eight separate teams to the Final Four.

**Donor:** Robert Ostrum

### *OTA 2017 Annual Meeting Vancouver Auction Package*

Complimentary registration to the OTA 2017 Annual Meeting, complimentary hotel luxury suite upgrade from October 11 – October 14, 2017, one-year complimentary OTA membership dues, invitation to the October 2017 BOD/Leadership Dinner, a one-week accommodation at a private “Whistler Residence” and a \$300 gift certificate to Bearfoot Bistro-Whistler Village’s premier fine dining restaurant and a Vancouver Tourism package donated by Tourism Vancouver.

**Donors:** OTA, Pierre Guy, Kelly Lefavre, Peter O’Brien and Tourism Vancouver

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### **FROM THE PRESIDENT, CONTINUED FROM PG. 1** *Steven A. Olson, MD*

health policy offerings at our Annual Meeting. Specifically, the Board of Directors believe the health policy content presented in various forums during the time of the OTA Annual Meeting should meet with two basic criteria: 1) this content be balanced with regard to policy and advocacy perspectives, and 2) the content should consist of education and/or research with relevance to the providers who care for patients with musculoskeletal injuries, or for aspects of care provided to these patients. Both these criteria must be met to be considered appropriate for the Annual Meeting.

During the time of our Annual Meeting, a variety of health policy related events will occur. These include:

- Thursday Morning Basic Science Focus Forum Symposium - **Patient Related Outcomes Helpful or Not so Much?**
- Friday Morning Mini Symposia - **Minute to Win-It “Crises in Health Policy”**

While many topics in the scope of health policy are United States centric – such as education about the newly released criteria from CMS proposed bundled

payment surgical hip/femur fracture treatment excluding lower extremity joint replacement (SHFFT), knowledge concerning how related efforts implemented in other countries have impacted the care of patients in their countries is of broad interest across the OTA membership. The policies and practices that impact how we provide care for patients touches all of us in a variety of ways.

This year the health policy committee has the opportunity to work with the AAOS Office of Government relations to have health policy related events at the Annual Meeting, but that will not be part of the scientific program. The OTA BOD requested the content in such venues be consistent with the guidelines outlined above. We also request the committee keep in mind restrictions surrounding OTA participation in political activity. Organizations that are tax exempt under 501c3, such as OTA, may advocate in matters of regulation or legislation on behalf of it’s members, but are completely and unequivocally prohibited from participating in any political activities. We encourage our members to be active in advocacy as individuals within their hospitals, communities, and societies as they are able.

This year the AAOS PAC has purchased booth space at the OTA Annual Meeting, and they have scheduled a fundraiser to take place on Friday, outside the hours of the OTA Annual Meeting (details will be available at the PAC booth). The OTA BOD requested the content in this venue be consistent with the guidelines outlined above. We also request the committee keep in mind restrictions surrounding OTA participation in political activity. Organizations that are tax exempt under 501c3, such as OTA, are very limited from participating in any political activities (most specifically in lobbying and PAC activities).

The OTA partners with the AAOS (American Association of Orthopaedic Surgeons) and the AAOS’s Office of Government Relations (OGR), for formal political and policy advocacy efforts. The AAOS develops a unified advocacy agenda each year, with input from the OTA and other specialty societies via the Board of Specialty Societies (BOS) and Board of Councilors (BOC). This unified [advocacy agenda can be found online](#). David Teague, 2<sup>nd</sup> President elect of OTA is our current BOS representative. Please share your thoughts for topics to be suggested for the unified advocacy agenda to Dr. Teague.

The Orthopaedic Trauma Association gratefully acknowledges the following foundations, companies, and individuals for their generous financial support received through OTA and through OREF to fund OTA reviewed research grants.

### 2016 OTA RESEARCH DONORS

(as of September 6, 2016)

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#### 2016 Associates Award (up to \$249)

Eben A. Carroll, Thomas M. Large, Angela Majed, Richard John Myers



Plans for the fall **Residents Comprehensive Fracture Course**, which runs concurrently with the OTA Annual Meeting, are in place and we are looking forward to offering another excellent learning opportunity. Many thanks to our course chairs, **Toni McLaurin** and **Marcus Sciadini** for organizing an outstanding program. I would also like to extend sincere gratitude to the nearly 150 faculty members, who provide a tremendous opportunity for residents to learn from many of the top trauma surgeons in the country, in a small-group, interactive learning environment. Residents not able to attend the fall course should consider the spring course. Registration will be available in late October on the [OTA Website](#).

There is an **Advanced Residents Course** for PGY 3-4 scheduled January 20 – 21, 2017 in Dallas, Texas, which will be chaired by **Phil Wolinsky** and **Nirmal Tejwani**. Please encourage your senior residents to attend! [Registration is now open](#).

**CORE Curriculum Version IV** is nearing completion, thanks to the hard work of **Lisa Cannada**, who is serving as Project Director, and the many volunteer editors who make this resource possible. Updated presentations are being uploaded to the OTA website on a continual basis, and may be viewed via this link. These presentations were created for use by educators and are supplied in a fashion that specifically allows for modification. The OTA respectfully requests that proper credit be given to the original author as well as the OTA when the talks are presented, even in modified form. These talks represent a combination of the literature, as cited, and current practices, as reported by member-authors.

A recorded version of the [OTA's 2016 webinars](#) are available on the OTA website for member viewing. We would like to thank the many faculty who participated as faculty this year. The OTA plans to participate in a final co-branded webinar November 30th:

**November 30: Complex Fractures of the Upper Extremity: Diagnosis and Treatment Strategies**  
Combined AAHS/AAOS/OTA Webinar  
Moderator: Asif Iyas, MD

#### **Video Theater**

The OTA received many new high-quality surgical techniques videos this summer, which will be available for viewing at the OTA Annual Meeting Video Theatre and on the OTA website. Please stop by the video theater, and be sure to give us your

feedback. The next video recruitment RFP will be posted on the website shortly following the Annual Meeting. Please consider supporting the OTA by submitting your surgical techniques videos.

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#### **HEALTH POLICY COMMITTEE UPDATE – ACRONYM SOUP** *Todd Swenning, MD*

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MACRA. MIPS. APM. CJR. PQRS. MU. EHR. ACO. EPM. BPCI. MSA. ACA. CMS.

The language and business of medicine are in a constant state of evolution. There is little question that policymakers continue to guide medical reimbursement in the direction of pay for performance. Being able to speak the “language” of the organizations and societies that set the metrics utilized to assess quality, and therefore remuneration, is more important than ever.

The apparent early success, both monetary and clinical, of the Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement Model (CJR) has led to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to propose the next Bundled Payment for Care Improvement (BPCI). The general philosophy behind BPCI methodology is to incentivize improvements in the coordination and quality of care, as well as episode efficiency, for the beneficiary.

On July 25, 2016, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) provided “notice of proposed rulemaking for bundled payment model for high-quality, coordinated cardiac and hip fracture care”. The portion of this suggested policy change specific to orthopedics has been deemed surgical hip/femur fracture treatment or SHFFT.

SHFFT, as seen from the 30,000-foot view, will be a 90-day bundle that will begin with patient admission to the hospital. The beneficiary in this case will be those patients treated surgically for hip and femur fractures, other than hip arthroplasty. CJR and SHFFT will collectively cover all surgical options, hip arthroplasty and fixation, for medicare beneficiaries with hip fractures and other operative fractures of the femur.

CJR currently has 67 metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) with roughly 800 hospitals being required to participate in the program. Beginning July 1, 2017, any medicare beneficiary being admitted to hospitals within these MSAs with the MS-DRG

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480-482 will be managed under the SHFFT model. Payments will be based on a quality first principle: only hospitals meeting quality standards would be paid the savings from providing care for less than the quality-adjusted target price.

Quality will be assessed via a composite score weighted evenly between patient experience and clinical outcome. The patient side of scoring would come from both HCAHPS surveys and the THA / TKA voluntary patient reported outcome (PRO) and limited risk variable data. Quality weighting of the composite score will be derived from risk-standardized complication rate (RSCR) data with the following metrics being tracked:

1. Mechanical complications and wound infection/periprosthetic joint infection (90 day exposure).
2. Surgical site bleeding, pulmonary embolism and death (30 days).
3. Acute myocardial infarction, pneumonia, sepsis/septicemia (7 days).

As part of the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015 (MACRA) and the pursuant Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS), SHFFT will qualify as an Alternative Payment Model (APM) with certain qualifications, but the scope of this surpasses the capacity of this alphabetically challenged summary.

As you can see, the migration of medical reimbursement to a pay for performance model will take a bit of effort to grasp. Please take advantage of the OTA Health Policy Committee symposium at the upcoming OTA annual meeting in Washington, DC this October. The symposium will provide you with better understanding of these scintillating, but critically important topics.

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## **DISASTER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

*Chris Born, MD*

The Disaster Committee is seeking your assistance. Please take 3 minutes to complete the following [survey](#) regarding institutional disaster preparedness.

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## **FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE**

*Lisa Taitsman, MD, MPH*

Two new orthopaedic trauma fellowship programs will be participating in the match this year. The two programs are the University of Florida Gainesville and Cooper University Hospital. They join the other 51 OTA recognized fellowships already participating in the accreditation and match process. For the complete list of [OTA approved fellowships](#) and a list of the nine [ACGME accredited fellowships](#) please click on the links.

Several of you have inquired about the new fellowship program application process and timeline. The applications will be available on line mid-winter and will be due back by late winter/ early spring. Interested programs may review current OTA program requirements but should be aware that the requirements are under review at the current time and will be updated prior to the next application cycle.

### **2017 Match Information**

SFMatch Registration for the 2017 match (academic year training in 2018/19) is now open. All programs are encouraged to review and update your program information by clicking on the link below.

### **Fellowship Match & Resources**

### **2015-16 Fellowship Graduates**

Reminder to all 2015-16 fellowship graduates attending the OTA Annual Meeting, we are hosting a celebration for you on October 5 at the Gaylord National from 5:30 – 6:30 PM. Hope to see you there!



There are number of upcoming OTA Research Grant Applications and a few additional research grant opportunities. Watch for email announcements and updates to the website when the grant process opens.

### ***Resident Grant***

**Grant Cycle: June 1, 2017 - May 31, 2018**

**Application process will open November 1, 2016**

Resident grants up to \$20,000 are available for clinical research or basic research projects.

**Eligibility:** The principal investigator must be an orthopaedic resident (the co-principal investigator does NOT have to be a resident). Either the principal investigator, or co-principal investigator, must be an OTA member. The research must be conducted in North America.

Note: OTA Resident Grants will not be awarded to subsidize larger on-going research projects.

### ***OTA Member Full Grant Pre-proposal***

***Pre-proposal submissions for the Full Grant funding eligibility beginning January 2018.***

**Application will open November 1, 2016**

The following grants are available for any research issue related to musculoskeletal trauma (excluding product development):

1. Clinical Research Grants  
(\$40,000/year maximum for up to 2 years)
2. Basic Research Grants  
(\$25,000/year maximum for up to 2 years)
3. Directed Topic Research Grant  
(\$50,000/year maximum for up to 3 years)  
in the following topics:
  - Proximal Humerus Fractures
  - Effectiveness of Systemic Therapies on Healing in Systemically Impaired Patients
  - Evaluation of the Ability of the Orthopaedic Trauma Association Open Fracture classification to Predict Amputation, Infection and Soft Tissue Coverage Procedures.
  - Economic Impact of Obesity and Diabetes

**Eligibility:** Either the principal investigator, or co-principal investigator, must be an OTA member. The

research must be conducted in North America. You may apply in more than one grant category if applicable.

To review the complete research grant application guidelines [click here](#)

Members will be notified of invitations to submit full proposals by April 30, 2017

### ***OREF and OTA Trauma Grant***

**Application open** - must be submitted electronically through proposalCentral

**Deadline: December 15, 2016**

**Funding:** maximum of \$289,000 over a two-year grant period (\$144,500 per year)

This Funding Opportunity Announcement solicits investigator-initiated research proposals focusing on Orthopaedic Trauma. Highlighted areas of research focus include the following, although other areas of orthopaedic trauma will be considered:

- Systemic and healing responses to musculoskeletal trauma in the elderly
- Tissue (bone, tendon, ligament, cartilage) regeneration and repair
- Orthobiologics in post-traumatic conditions
- Mechanical influences on tissue repair
- Compartmental syndrome assessment
- Rehabilitation therapy following traumatic injury
- Development of valid and reliable functional outcome measures for orthopaedic trauma
- Pain management after trauma – systemic vs. local vs. regional vs. multimodal approaches
- Risk factors for 30 day readmissions and their economic impact following treatment for musculoskeletal traumatic conditions
- Creation of quality measures in orthopaedic trauma
- Economic impact, associated risk, and outcomes of implants for fracture treatment

### **Eligibility:**

- Applications may be submitted by domestic or Canadian non-profit, public and private institutions of higher education, such as hospitals, medical schools, universities, and colleges.
- An orthopaedic surgeon principal investigator (PI) must be licensed to practice in the United States and working in an institution in the

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U.S. or Canada. PhDs or DVMs working in or holding a primary appointment at an institution/orthopaedic department in the U.S. or Canada may serve as the PI. A letter from the department chair confirming the appointment is also required.

- The orthopaedic surgeon must provide a statement on time to be allocated to the project indicating percent of average time allocated and how time will be spent
- Applicants are limited to one submission to OREF per cycle regardless of category. The same project may not be submitted in multiple categories, even if the PI is different. The principal investigator may receive only one OREF grant of each type during his/her lifetime.

Please direct application questions: The OREF Grants Team: [grants@oref.org](mailto:grants@oref.org) (847) 430-5109

## OTA Research Surveys

### [View Open OTA Member Research Surveys](#)

#### Instructions for Posting a Survey

- The OTA Research Committee and/or the OTA Research Chair and OTA President will review all survey requests.
- A brief research survey proposal (1 – 2 pages) will be required with all survey requests.
- The OTA membership will be notified by e-mail on a quarterly basis of new surveys posted on the website.
- Survey requests are limited to OTA members. IRB approval is required for surveys when applicable.
- Surveys are limited to those related to orthopaedic trauma healthcare, and should not include information regarding commercial products.
- The OTA requests that survey results be made available to the OTA membership. The survey author may request these be posted on the OTA members-only page.

## The Department of Defense

The Department of Defense Peer Reviewed Orthopaedic Research Program (PRORP) FY 16 is currently available in grants.gov - <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/home.html>.

### **Applications opened August 2, 2016:**

Peer Reviewed Orthopaedic Clinical Trial Award – W81XWH-16-PRORP-CTA- Application **deadline December 07, 2016**. Estimated Total Program Funding \$9,000,000. Expected Number of Awards 3.

Peer Reviewed Orthopaedic Applied Research Award – W81XWH-16-PRORP-ARA- Application **deadline December 07, 2016**. Estimated Total Program Funding \$2,500,000. Expected Number of Awards 5.

The Integrated Clinical Trial Award (ICTA) and Clinical Translational Research Award (CTRA) PAs will most likely be published on Friday, August 12th. The Expansion Award PA will most likely be published in mid-September 2016.

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

### *Kyle Jeray, MD*

Congratulations to the 224 new and transitioning 2016 OTA members. You are welcome to attend the new member lunch on Friday, October 7, at the Gaylord National. The Board of Directors and membership committee invite prospective members to also attend this popular annual OTA luncheon. Come hear guest speaker, Dr. Steven Olson, OTA President and Dr. Kyle Jeray, Chair of the Membership Committee highlight the benefits of OTA membership. OTA leaders will be on hand to sponsor new applicants and answer questions attendees may have.

The next OTA membership deadline is November 1, 2016. [Applications are to be completed online](#). Membership will begin in January of 2017 for those accepted for membership.

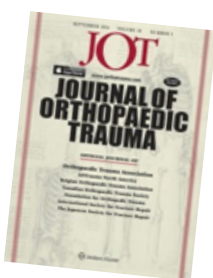
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### **Military Membership**

The OTA continues to honor and welcome all military orthopaedic trauma specialists. In gratitude for one's commitment to the USA Military and trauma,

active military members do not pay dues, or the membership application fee. The membership committee invites all military to apply for OTA membership to begin receiving the many OTA member benefits.

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### **International Membership Initiatives**

OTA membership offers International members many benefits including highly discounted registration for the Annual Meeting (value \$500) and a complimentary JOT online subscription (value \$673). With \$200 annual dues, the OTA International Membership is a great professional investment on many levels.

Interested trauma surgeons from 2016 Guest Nation, India, are invited to apply for OTA membership. The \$50 application fee will be waived and also the first year dues.

OTA President, Dr. Steven Olson and President elect, Dr. William Ricci participated in the British Orthopaedic Association (BOA) Congress meeting, September 13-16, 2016. An OTA booth displayed OTA materials, including membership brochures. British trauma surgeons were invited to apply for OTA membership. The application fee and 2017 dues will be waived for new member applicants. The United Kingdom is OTA's 2017 Guest Nation.

### **2016 OTA Membership Counts**

Active: 619  
Advanced Practice Professionals (APP): 58 (10 NP's/48 PA's)  
Allied Health: 19  
Associate: 104  
Candidate: 574 (Candidate: 177 & Post Candidate: 397)  
Clinical: 328  
Emeritus: 92  
Honorary: 1  
International: 143  
International Candidate: 10  
International Clinical: 77  
International Research: 2  
Research: 14  
Total: 2,040



1. Performance Measures: The EBQVS Committee has worked with the National Quality Foundation (NQF) to develop a performance measure for the OTA. A performance measure that is approved by the NQF can be used in value-based care as a metric for public reporting of information. We have decided to pursue four different measures through the NQF.

1. Infection rate in bicondylar tibial plateau fractures.
2. Infection rate in open type 3B tibia fractures.
3. Time to antibiotic administration in open fractures.
4. Time to soft tissue coverage in type 3B open tibia fractures.

We presented infection rate in bicondylar tibial plateau fracture to the National Quality Foundation in August 2016. The Committee was enthusiastic about the importance and impact of this measure. They did not endorse the measure and asked us to develop a process to develop risk stratification and assure complete reporting prior to resubmission. We are planning on working with the American College of Surgeons to add infection rate in bicondylar tibial plateau fractures to the ACS Trauma Database or in an OTA sponsored QCDR database. We will continue the process of developing Performance Measures (PM), for the Orthopedic Trauma Association.

2. Current Practice and Recommendations: The EBQVS has developed some practice recommendations and for treatment of open fractures, DVT prophylaxis after trauma and bone grafting of segmental defects. We have completed surveys on hip fractures and compartment syndromes and are working on the presentation and guidelines associated with these topics. We have also developed a questionnaire on ankle fracture treatment which will be administered soon to the OTA web site.

3. Literature review to help separate the wheat from the chaff. The OTA web site under Resources has a list of up-to-date and current, as well as classic articles in Orthopedic Trauma under specific topics. Please utilize this for education and review.

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The recent release of the [Salary Survey](#) thanks to Lisa Cannada has been met with positive feedback. This was the largest survey of practicing orthopaedic trauma surgeons and has provided a valuable resource to surgeons looking into new jobs or for negotiating with hospitals for expected salaries based on actual data.

The Coding Course being held at the OTA this October will also now include an afternoon on CPT codes and common reasons for denial for insurance carriers. We hope that this will provide orthopaedic trauma surgeons with valuable information to avoid the increasing number of denials.

We hope we can continue to provide support to members for ICD-10 coding support and any other questions relating to practice management. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions through the [OTA website](#) or [OTA@ota.org](mailto:OTA@ota.org).

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## **COMMITTEE ON TRAUMA (COT) OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS**

*Phil Wolinsky, MD*

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### **Orthopedic Trauma Surgery Optimal Resources Clarifications/ Updates**

The American College Surgeons (ACS) Committee on Trauma (COT) uses the "Resources for Optimal Care of the Injured Patient" to define what resources are needed for Level 1,2 and 3 trauma centers to be verified when visited by the Verification Review Committee (VRC) for verification or re-verification visits. The document is available at <https://www.facs.org/~media/files/quality%20programs/trauma/vrc%20resources/resources%20for%20optimal%20care.ashx>

All updates and clarifications are available at: Changes and updates can be found online at: <https://www.facs.org/quality%20programs/trauma/vrc/resources>

There are a few clarifications that we thought might be of interest to OTA members:

#### **Orthopedic Trauma Surgery Liaison**

Level 1,2,3 Centers

Type II CD 9-16

The orthopedic liaison to the trauma PIPS

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## COMMITTEE ON TRAUMA (COT) OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS

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program must attend a minimum of 50 percent of the multidisciplinary trauma peer review committee meetings.

### Clarifications:

1) The liaison or representative (one predetermined alternate) is acceptable to attend the multidisciplinary peer review committee a minimum of 50% of these meetings. No longer must be the designated liaison (rv 10/6/15)

2) Attendance may be met through teleconferencing or videoconferencing participation. Audio conferencing should be limited.

**Translation:** either the orthopedic liaison or ONE other person that is designated as an alternate must attend 50% of the meetings. There can not be multiple alternates.

### Board Certification

Level 1,2,3

*New for level 3 centers*

Type II CD 9-17

Board certification or eligibility for certification by an appropriate orthopaedic board according to the current requirements, or the alternate pathway is essential for orthopaedic surgeons who take trauma call in Level I, II, and III trauma centers

### Clarification:

The “alternate pathway” applies only to individuals who trained outside of the U.S. or Canada. It is not meant to be used for surgeons who trained in the US or Canada.

Level 1,2,3

Type II CD 6-3

If an orthopaedic surgeon has not been certified within the time frame by the certifying board after successful completion of an ACGME or Canadian residency, the surgeon is not eligible for inclusion on the trauma team. Such as surgeon may be included when given recognition by a major professional organization (for example, the American College of Surgeons.

U.S. trained surgeons who are not board certified or eligible cannot be on the trauma team. Surgeons trained outside of the U.S. may participate if a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons (FACS) or if approved by the Alternate Pathway. (old pathway being phased out as of January 1, 2

**New: Effective January 1, 2017** (rv 1/22/16)

Though not part of the alternate pathway process, in the past, non-boarded U.S. or Canadian trained surgeons who were granted FACS status by the ACS did not have to meet the criteria for the alternate pathway (APC). Beginning January 1, 2017, all non-boarded U.S. or Canadian trained surgeons will be required to follow the APC process regardless of FACS status. All non-boarded U.S. or Canadian trained surgeons who were FACS prior to January 1, 2017 are not required to meet the APC process and, therefore, will not be required to have an onsite review.

### CME's and Trauma Call

Levels 1,2 Centers

Type II CD 9-18

The orthopaedic surgical liaison to the trauma program at Level I and II centers must accrue an average of 16 hours annually or 48 hours in 3 years of verifiable external trauma-related continuing medical education (CME)

**Clarification for the Liaison:** These must be all external CMEs for the liaison.

**Clarification for the Non-Liaisons:** Every member of the call team must have the required CME and/or IEP. The IEP for the non-liaisons must occur at least quarterly but the total hours acquired via the IEP should be functionally equivalent to 16 hours of CME. The orthopaedic surgeon may have a combination of both external and internal verifiable trauma-related CMEs; however, this must be clearly defined and documented at the time of the site visit.

**CMEs may be prorated** for centers seeking their first ACS site visit or members who are new to the trauma service for verified trauma centers. For guidelines of CME, refer to <https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/trauma/vrc/resources>.

**Translation:** Any orthopedic surgeon who takes trauma call at an ACS verified level 1 or level 2 trauma center must have an adequate number of **trauma related CME's**. The liason's CMEs all have to be external ones, the rest of the call panel can have either internal education of external education CME's.



## PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Jeff Smith, MD

The OTA Public Relations committee continued its collaboration with the AAOS Communications Cabinet and AAOS PR Staff at the summer Communications Cabinet meeting. There the group met to discuss concepts for the 2017 joint public service announcement to be released in early 2017 around the AAOS Annual Meeting – the topic the AAOS/OTA chose is Opioid Addiction Awareness. We're excited about the concepts presented and their potential to bring awareness to such an important societal issue.

Also this summer the Public Relations Committee in partnership with the Disaster Preparedness Committee released two PSAs: 1. Surgeon / First Responder PSA and 2. Lay Public Disaster Response PSA to increase awareness for the need to "Get Prepared" because "Disasters Strike Anytime, Anywhere." Posters and information can be obtained from the website: [OTA.org/GetPrepared](http://OTA.org/GetPrepared)

Resources to assist emergency response personnel and the general public are available. The website will continue to be updated as new information is released.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [August Board of Specialties Washington Update](#)
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- [Extremity War Injuries Call for Abstracts](#)
- [Job Opportunities](#)
- **Surveys**

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- 1) Survey Title:
- 2) Survey Link:
- 3) Survey Close Date:
- 4) Survey Author:
- 5) Short Survey Description;
- 6) IRB Approved (yes, no, or n/a)? If yes, please include approval letter.
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## 2016 Webinar Faculty

### Thank You!

Thank you to all our faculty volunteers who conducted the 2016 webinar series. The OTA hosted five webinars in 2016 and will host a joint webinar with the AAHS / AAOS on November 30<sup>th</sup>.



*Webinars are free for OTA members.*

### 2016 Webinar Moderators and Faculty

**January:** *A Patient's Guide to Atypical (Bisphosphonate Related) Femur Fractures: Who's at Risk, How and When to Treat and Recovery*

Moderator: William Ricci, MD

Faculty: Michael Gardner, MD; Kathryn Diemer, MD; Ken Egol, MD

**April:** *What's New in Open Fractures*

Moderator: Robert Ostrum, MD

Faculty: Michael Gardner, MD; Seth Yarboro, MD

**June:** *Preventing and Treating Surgical Infections in Orthopaedic Trauma*

Moderator: William Obremskey, MD

Faculty: Michael Weaver, MD; Frank Avilucea, MD; Andrew Schmidt, MD

**July:** *Compartment Syndrome: A True Orthopaedic Emergency*

Moderator: Lisa Cannada, MD

Faculty: Timothy Achor, MD; Daniel Stinner, MD; Aaron Perdue MD

**August:** *Periprosthetic Femur Fractures: Solutions for 2016*

Moderator: Michael Gardner, MD

Faculty: Matt Graves, MD; George Haidukewych, MD; Julius Bishop, MD

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