



Fellows Update - Winter 2025



2025 OTA Spring Fellows Course Thursday, April 3 – Sunday, April 6, 2025

Course Chair, Dr. Paul Tornetta, III, MD, PhD, FIOTA along with co-chairs: Stephen Kottmeier, MD and Dan Horwitz, MD, lead this cadaver and case-based discussion course along with other distinguished OTA members. Participating Faculty: William Obremsky, MD, MPH, FIOTA; Kyle

Jeray, MD; Cliff Jones, MD, FIOTA; Erik Kubiak, MD; Ross Leighton, MD, FIOTA; Frank Liporace, MD; Anna Miller, MD, FIOTA; Claude Sagi, MD; David Templeman, MD; Heather Vallier, MD, FIOTA; Tracy Watson, MD and Phil Wolinsky, MD.

Thank you to all who have registered, we look forward to another successful session this year. The course is FULL, however, if you would like to add your name to a waitlist, please reach out to connell@ota.org.



Consider Attending – [OTA Specialty Day](#) in San Diego, March 14, 2025

In partnership with the Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America (POSNA), the 2025 OTA Specialty Day will offer an engaging and diverse program designed for trauma and pediatric specialists, general orthopedists, trainees, and advanced practice providers. The agenda will include joint sessions on pediatric trauma topics relevant to all surgeons, featuring leading experts from both POSNA and OTA. Attendees will also benefit from a session highlighting the most impactful, practice-changing studies of the past decade. Additionally, forward-looking presentations will explore emerging advances in orthopaedic trauma, along with a dedicated session featuring insights from future OTA presidents on the direction of the organization and the field.

Case Log Information

Please stay up to date on logging codes and take a moment to review the [Core Competency Case](#) list; a list of core case considered necessary components of fellow education. For a program to have the depth and breadth of complex fracture and trauma exposure, all fellows must meet a minimum number of case participation in most of these areas. Visit the [Current Fellows](#) page for more information on case logs. If you are logging cases and come across codes that should be part of the database, please send an email to connell@ota.org with code number and brief description.

ACGME fellowship programs do not log cases through OTA.

Why Join OTA?

The OTA is an international organization of orthopaedic surgeons and medical professionals dedicated to the care and treatment of patients. The mission of OTA is to promote excellence in care for the injured patient, through provision of scientific forums and support of musculoskeletal research and education of orthopaedic surgeons and the public.

[Membership Application is OPEN](#) - Deadline: Submit by May 1, 2025 and become a member by July 1, 2025. \$50 Application fee is waived for current trauma fellows.



OTA Physician Well-Being Index

The Well-Being Index (WBI) is a 9 question PROM tool that quantifies burnout in healthcare providers. The OTA Moral Injury Team will turn the aggregate data into meaningful information that helps diagnose the cause of burnout amongst our members.

- For OTA Members
- Compare Your Well-Being to Other Physicians
- 100% Anonymous
- It is Free to Sign up and Setting Up an Account is Easy
- Access and Track your Well-Being over time.



Scan the QR code or use this [link](#) to get started.

Note: If the WBI is asking for an invitation code, use this code: OTA

OTA Playbook for Career Satisfaction/Combating Moral Injury and Burnout

The Moral Injury, Advocacy and Membership Well-Being Committee recently launched the [OTA Playbook for Career Satisfaction/Combating Moral Injury and Burnout](#). The OTA Playbook is a comprehensive guide for orthopaedic trauma surgeons, offering resources on burnout prevention, stress management, career strategies, financial planning, contract negotiations, and more. Designed to support your personal and professional wellbeing, it helps you navigate every stage of your career with confidence and balance.

Visit [OTA Online](#)

As the premier resource for online orthopaedic trauma education and information, OTA Online provides global access to peer-reviewed content & resources through scientific forums and support of musculoskeletal research and education of orthopaedic surgeons and the public.

An extensive array of education is offered - from technique videos, to webinars and on-demand recorded content. You will also find information about Education Wednesdays and the Fracture Night Series, monthly webinars, core curriculum lectures and the video library.

As an OTA member, full access is granted to all OTA Online content. As a nonmember, access is limited to: The OTA Podcast, Webinars, OTA International Journal, Core Curriculum Lectures, Fracture Night, Evidence Based Medicine Resource List, Procedure & Technique Video library, and Industry Content.

Other Educational Opportunities:



Consider attending the FOT Pelvic Acetabular Course on Friday, May 16 in Tampa, FL – Please visit [2025 course offerings](#) for more details and other upcoming events.

Johnson & Johnson MedTech

Johnson & Johnson MedTech is pleased to announce the Future Leaders: Comprehensive Treatment of the Orthopaedic Trauma Patient course on March 28-30, 2025 in Denver, CO. Fellows interested in learning more or attending this course, please visit this page. If you have questions, email mjohnst2@its.inj.com

Registration closes Sunday, March 20, 2025. *J&J MedTech will directly cover the cost of travel, hotel, and course meals within the course guidelines for all HCPs. HCPs will receive instructions to reserve travel when fully registered and must book travel through J&J Travel. No personal flights/hotel rooms purchased outside J&J Travel will be reimbursed.*

Smith+Nephew

Registration is opening soon for the Surgical Approaches to Internal Fixation (SAIF) course at the S&N Academy in Memphis, TN from May 2-3, 2025. This course is designed for orthopaedic residents to gain training and experience on surgical approaches for upper and lower extremity trauma procedures.

Use [this link](#) to see the S&N educational event calendar.



Please use [this link](#) to see Stryker's National Calendar for 2025. We have plenty of new and familiar programs that will grow alongside you throughout your fellowship. Any fellow interested in attending should contact their local sales representative for further direction.

Visit our updated Stryker Trauma website to include more resources such as surgical animations, product details, and frequently used documents. Check out [Stryker.com/trauma](https://www.stryker.com/trauma) to learn more.

For any questions or information in regards to the information in this newsletter, please contact occonnell@ota.org or visit the [Fellowship Page](#) of the OTA Website.



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