



COA Report

California Orthopaedic Association

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TOP NEWS



Reasons You Should Attend COA's 2022 Annual Meeting



KEYNOTE SPEAKER—THE RESILIENCY OF ORTHOPEDIC SURGEONS

Joseph Zuckerman, M.D

- The Expanding Use of Reverse Shoulder Arthroscopy – Joseph Zuckerman, M.D.
- AAOS Presidential Update – Kevin Bozic, M.D.
- The Great Debate – Hand Procedures – Moderator Prosper Benhaim, M.D.
- The Great Debate – Sports Medicine Issues – Moderator: Tim McAdams, M.D.
- The Great Debate – Shoulder Injuries – Moderator: Patrick St. Pierre, M.D.
- The Great Debate – Total Hip Arthroplasty – Moderator: Thomas Donaldson, M.D.
- The Great Debate – Foot and Ankle – What's In and What's Out – Moderator: Glenn Pfeffer, M.D.
- Biologics – Pro and Con – Moderator: Jason Dragoo, M.D.
- Fluoroscopy Radiation Safety – Isabel Newton, M.D, PhD

Earn CME hours

- 17.5 Category 1 CME hours
- 10 Radiation Safety CME hours
- 10 ABOS SAE hours
- 6 QME CME hours

Ask Your Questions

Share Your Clinical Experience

More Reasons You Should Attend the COA/CBones 2022 Annual Meeting/QME Course

Learn the Latest from Orthopaedic Coding Experts

KarenZupko & Associates is clearly recognized as a national coding expert for orthopaedics.

Karen Zupko and Sarah Wiskerchen of KarenZupko&Associates, Inc. will both be attending the meeting.



Karen will discuss **How to Avoid Claw backs with Compliant Billing and Documentation**



Sarah will discuss **Orthopaedic Coding and Hot Topics**

along
fee.

Surgeons and their practice managers/coding staff often spend hundreds of dollars to attend the Zupko courses. Attend the COA/CBones Annual Meetings to get the benefit of the Zupko expert coding advice with other important practice information. Practice managers/coding staff have a discounted registration

Surgeons: Attend the COA Annual Meeting and bring along your office manager and staff.

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Help Identify New COA Leaders

COA is seeking nominees for its 2023 Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee is charged with nominating new officers for COA for 2023-2024 as well as At-Large and Young Orthopaedic Surgeon Members to the Board of Directors. Members of the Nominating Committee will be elected at the COA Business Meeting which will be held on April 10, 2022 in conjunction with COA's in-person 2022 Annual Meeting/QME Course – April 7-10, 2022 in Indian Wells (Palm Springs area).

Pursuant to COA's By-Laws, the Committee is chaired by the Immediate Past President and includes two current Board of Directors and two Active COA members. The Committee meets via conference call.

If you would like to get involved in this important COA Committee, we need to hear from you no later than March 13. Send an email to COA — admin@coa.org letting us know of your interest in being elected to the Committee.

Thanks for your involvement.

Skeletal Traction in one kit.



California Orthopaedic Institute Seeking a Board Certified Orthopaedic Surgeon

California Orthopaedic Institute

Seeking a Board Certified Orthopaedic Surgeon, fellowship trained in Hand/ Upper Extremity to replace a retiring senior physician.

The ideal candidate for our group is one within the San Diego community who is comfortable treating a wide spectrum of patients including patients in the Workers Compensation system.

- Well established group with excellent local reputation
- Beautiful San Diego location in the heart of Mission Valley
- On-site MRI, X-ray, and Physical Therapy departments
- Adjacent AAAHC accredited ASC
- Group partnership track and ASC equity option

This is a dynamic group of orthopaedic surgeons in a setting that provides autonomy, independence and the ability to control their schedule providing each one with an important work/life balance.

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State Fines L.A. Care Health Plan \$55 Million in Enforcement Action To Protect Consumers

Department of Managed Healthcare

The California Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC) and Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) have taken action against Local Initiative Health Authority for Los Angeles County (L.A. Care) to protect the plan's members. The two departments' actions against the state's largest Medi-Cal plan include penalties of \$55 million. This consists of a \$35 million penalty from the DMHC and \$20 million sanction from the DHCS.

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Anthem Plans To Change Name, Rebrand

Becker's Payer Issue

Anthem, which owns Blue Cross Blue Shield plans in 14 states, plans to change its name to Elevance Health. The company said the new name would better reflect the services it offers beyond health insurance, such as digital, pharmacy,

behavioral, clinical and complex care services. Anthem also said the name change underscores its "commitment to elevating whole health and advancing health beyond healthcare."

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