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# COA Report

California Orthopaedic Association

March 21, 2022

## TOP NEWS

### 'Gathering is an Essential Part of Being Human'

Perhaps we once took for granted the role that face-to-face events played in our society. The last two years has highlighted and made us keenly aware of the importance of in-person interaction with colleagues and friends.

The upcoming **COA/CBones 2022 Annual Meeting/QME Course** is your chance to reconnect in-person.

Time is running short to register. Join your colleagues — **April 7-10, 2022 at the Hyatt Regency Resort in Indian Wells.**

We kept open the discounted registration rate to encourage more members to attend.

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### 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

### 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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## e-Billing Data 2021: Average Days To Payment

DaisyBill

What's the best way to quickly receive payment for treating an injured worker? Send the bill electronically (aka: e-billing). Throughout the United States, workers' comp claims administrators (aka: payers) accept e-bills from providers who treat injured workers. In California specifically, when a provider sends an e-bill, California law mandates the claims administrator must remit payment within 15 working days of receipt of the e-bill. By comparison, claims administrators are allowed to pay non-electronic paper bills within 45 days of receipt (60 days in the case of a government employer).

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## California Aims To Limit Health Care Costs With New Office

The Associated Press

Frustrated by how much they were paying for health care, two groups of California workers sued one of the nation's largest hospital systems. One group secured a half-billion-dollar settlement. The other lost in court. Both cases took nearly a decade to resolve, highlighting the difficulty patients and their employers often face when trying to corral the ever-increasing costs of health care. Now, instead of relying on the market or the courts to keep health care prices in check,

California Gov. Gavin Newsom wants to order the state's hospitals, doctors' offices and insurance companies to keep their costs below a certain level. If they don't, the state could impose a hefty fine.

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