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Past participants can attest to the fact that the annual ACLES 40-Hour Program offers a medical learning experience like no other! No other training in foot and ankle surgery rivals the exceptional collegial atmosphere that an ACLES conference delivers. You'll train and consult with the nation's leading educators and practitioners of lower extremity medicine and surgery in a relaxed, intimate environment that promotes engagement between presenters and attendees. The 40-hour program features regular opportunity for one-on-one learning in structured lecture sessions, discussions, and workshops. Course content addresses every aspect of lower extremity surgery, from diagnosis to post-operative care. The wide-ranging content enables experienced professionals to stay current with trends and developments in the field, and allows most physicians to acquire their annual requisite CME credits in a single weekend.

Who should attend?

- Podiatrists
- Orthopedic Surgeons
- Osteopaths

...who perform surgery of the foot, ankle or leg, their support teams, and other allied professionals with an interest in lower extremity surgery.

Only 200 conference spaces are available Be sure to reserve your place now — Register TODAY!

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Bring your tough cases to the Thursday night dinner, case presentation and discussion!**

The 6:00–10:00 pm Thursday evening case presentation **hosted by Dr. Ira Weiner** and discussion is an excellent opportunity for attendees of the conference to share their own difficult cases with fellow professionals. This is always an interesting and dynamic learning experience for everyone involved! Bring in your own laptop or stick drive to present your case on screen. Dinner and beverages will be provided, and attendees will enjoy time to engage one-on-one with conference speakers.

Accreditation Statement



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FACULTY

DAN ARONOVITZ, DPM grew up in Bloomfield Township and spent his undergraduate education years between the University of Arizona and Michigan State University. He went on to Podiatry school in Cleveland and completed his formal residency training in the St. John Health System, in 1988. Dr. Aronovitz is a second-generation foot and ankle specialist. He worked with his father in Warren, MI where he still maintains an office. He has served on residency training committees, national drug advisory panels and has been a director of the residency-training program in the St. John Health System. Dr. Aronovitz is board-certified with the American Board of Podiatric Surgery. He enjoys being able to help people to better foot and ankle health through a wide variety of treatments.

R. DANIEL DAVIS, DPM is board Certified in Foot and Ankle Surgery by the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery® and board Certified by American Board of Podiatric Medicine. Dr. Davis has been in practice for over 30 years. Dr. Davis attended Bucknell University where he earned his B.S. in Biology and was a star athlete as part of the track team. He continued his education at the Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine (TUSPM), formerly the Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine, earning his Doctorate in Podiatric Medicine in 1980. While at TUSPM Dr. Davis completed and finished the Penn relays marathon. He completed his residency at Parkview Hospital, where he was the chief resident. In 2017 Dr. Davis was awarded a Honorary Degree by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow. He is also a fellow of the American college of foot and ankle surgeons and the American podiatric sports medicine association. Dr. Davis is certified in wound care and hyperbaric oxygen care by the National Wound Healing Association.

EDWARD S. GLASER, DPM is a dynamic lecturer and researcher in Foot Biomechanics. He studied mechanical engineering at SUNY Stonybrook and received his doctorate in podiatric medicine at the New York College of Podiatric Medicine. Although not a common path for a podiatrist, it turned out to be the right exposure for a future foot biomechanistic. Dr. Glaser developed a thriving practice over thirteen years and then chose to walk away from that success to challenge orthopedic conventions with his revolutionary MASS Posture Theory. 30 years and over a Million Pairs of Orthotics later, Dr. Glaser has made his life's mission a reality with Sole Supports: 'We make people better'.

MATTHEW HOLTZMAN, MD specializes in General Neurology. He is certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. His special interests include Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease, Epilepsy, Dementia, Migraine, Fibromyalgia/Chronic Pain, Neck/Back Pain, Stroke, Polynuropathy, Myasthenia Gravis, Myopathies, Traumatic Brain Injuries/Concussions, and Traumatic/Repetitive use Nerve Injuries.

DAY 1

Thursday, May 2

7:00 – 7:30 am

Registration

7:30 – 8:30 am

William J. Sarchino, DPM

1st MTPJ Revisional Implant for Hallux Rigidus

8:30 – 9:30 am

Ira Weiner, DPM

Interesting Complicated Cases Part I

9:30 – 10:30 am

Ira Weiner, DPM

Interesting Complicated Cases Part II

10:30 am – Noon

Alex McKanna

Haglunds: How to Weight Bear Immediately Post Op

LUNCH

1:00 – 2:00 pm

Edward Glaser, DPM

Biomechanics of the Foot – MASS Posture Theory I

2:00 – 3:00 pm

Marlene Reid, DPM

Golf Biomechanics, Golf Injuries

3:00 – 4:00 pm

Larry Kosova, DPM

Artificial Intelligence in Electronic Medical Records

4:00 – 6:00 pm

Matthew Holtzman, MD

- Understanding a Patient with Dementia
- Understanding your Parkinson's Patient

Dinner and Presentations - 6:00 - 10:00 pm

Surgical Complications Hosted by Ira Weiner and Resident Presentations

- **Ersta Ferryanto**, Innovations of Peripheral Nerve Surgeries
- **Remny Owor**, Peroneal Muscle Influence on Ankle Fractures
- **David Warciak**, Lateral Ankle Instability

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ALLEN M. JACOBS, DPM is a 1973 Summa Cum Laude graduate of the Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine. He completed his residency in surgery at Monsignor Clement Kern Hospital for special surgery in Warren, Michigan in 1975. Dr. Jacobs is in private practice in St. Louis, Missouri. He is board certified in reconstructive surgery of the foot and ankle by the American Board of Podiatric Surgery, and is a Fellow of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons. For 25 years, Dr. Jacobs served as a Director of Podiatric Surgical Residency Training; and has also served as a contributing editor to the Journal of Foot Surgery, Podiatry Today, Foot and Ankle Quarterly and Clinics in Podiatric Medicine and Surgery. Additionally, Dr. Jacobs has served as the Scientific Chairman of the American Podiatric Medical Association, The Missouri Podiatry Society, and on the Journal Management Committee of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgery. He was the first podiatrist to receive the rank of Fellow by Temple University. He was voted a Lifetime Achievement Award and to The Podiatry Hall of Fame. He has received numerous awards from the APMA and ACFAS for his dedication to podiatry and podiatric education, as well as recognition from the governors of Missouri, Arkansas and Massachusetts. He has published over 80 scientific articles in various publications and 17 chapter contributions in various textbooks, and has presented over 1000 papers at podiatric and medical society meetings. He is a nationally recognized author, researcher and noted authority of surgery of the foot.

LARRY KOSOVA, DPM has been practicing Podiatric Medicine and Surgery over 20 years. He is Board Certified and a fellow of the American College of foot and ankle surgeons. His practice has been featured on various new channels for his advanced techniques in tendon and ligament repair. He is also one of the only Certified Surgeons for flatfoot correction in both children and adults in the Western Suburbs of Illinois. Dr Kosova's work with advanced techniques has gained him favorable reviews with everyone from the weekend athletes to collegiate and semi pro.

STEVEN R. KRAVITZ, DPM, FAPWHc, FACFAS is a Diplomate of the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery and the American Board of Podiatric Medicine. He is also a Fellow of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons, and Certified in Wound Healing by the Council for Medical Education and Testing. He is the Founder and President of the Academy of Physicians in Wound Healing (APWH) and the Council for Medical Education and Testing (CMET). He is an Assistant Professor for the Advanced Wound Healing Center, Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine where he has served continuously as faculty for 35 years. He continues to do research and author multiple articles; he is an internationally known speaker on wound healing and related topics.

DAY 2

Friday, May 3

7:30 – 9:30 am

Alex Mckenna, DPM

Tumors, Surgical Management

9:30 am – Noon

Steve A. McClain, MD

- Dermatopathologist's View on Wounds with Delayed Healing
- When an Ulcer is not an Ulcer

Noon

Lunch

1:00 – 2:00 pm

Steve A. McClain, MD

Hands-on Biopsy Workshop – You need a biopsy!

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Douglas Spitalny, DPM

- Fibular Nail 1 Hour
- Bunion Complications

4:00 – 6:00 pm

Dan Davis, DPM

Limb Salvage 101 to 103

New for 2024: Saturday Breakout Workshops

10:00 am – Noon

Cadaver Workshop Hallux Rigidus

presented by Glenn Vitale, DPM

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Sawbones for Fibular Nail

presented by Douglas Spitalny, DPM

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STEVE A. MCCLAIN, MD, FCAP, FASCP, FAPI is Board certified in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology and Dermatopathology. Dr. McClain has academic appointments in Dermatology and Emergency Medicine at SUNY-Stony Brook Medical Center. He is a member of the American Society of Dermatopathology and the Association for Pathology Informatics. He has a medical degree from the University of Missouri and was Director of the Division of Dermatopathology and Director of Pathology Informatics in the Department of Pathology at Montefiore Medical Center in New York. He is currently the Medical Director of McClain Laboratories and is a dermatopathology specialist in New York.

ALEX MCKANNA, DPM received his BS in biology with two minors in chemical instrumental analysis and Spanish at the University of St. Francis in Joliet, IL and attended medical school at Dr. William Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine in Chicago, IL. After graduating in 2015, he completed a three-year residency at Franciscan Health/Midwestern University. He is board qualified by the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery in foot surgery and rearfoot and ankle reconstruction. He has a special interest in pediatric podiatry focusing on lower extremity conditions in children. He has professional memberships with the Illinois Podiatric Medical Association, the Association of Extremity Nerve Surgeons, the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons, and the American Podiatric Medical Association. He specializes in diabetic wound care and limb salvage and has been in practice since 2018.

DAVID NOVICKI, DPM is an assistant professor of surgery, Yale University School of Medicine, Department.

SCOTT PICKETT, DPM specializes in the diagnosis, treatment and preventive care of foot and ankle problems in Schenectady, New York. He is Board certified by the American Academy of Wound Management. He attended the New York College of Podiatric Medicine with residencies at the New York College of Podiatric Medicine, United Health Services Hospitals and Wilson Memorial Regional Hospital.

DEDRIE M. POLAKOF, MD, DPM is a Podiatry specialist in Surprise, Arizona. She attended and graduated from Ohio College Of Podiatric Medicine in 1982, having over 40 years of experience.

MARLENE REID, DPM was surgically trained in foot reconstruction and trauma and commonly treats tendon problems, chronic pain of the foot and ankle and podiatric orthopedic deformities. Dr. Reid is a past president of both the Illinois Podiatric Medical Association and the American Association for Women Podiatrists. She is a former Chairman of the APMA's Public Education and Information Committee and the former Director of Medical Education of Chicago's Sacred Heart Hospital's Residency Program. Patient engagement and education continues to be a priority for her practice.

WILLIAM J. SARCHINO, DPM, FAPWHc, FACLES, FRCPS is President of the American College of Lower Extremity Surgeons and Chair of ACLES' annual 40-hour and 18-hour Programs. Residency director, Southwestern Vermont Medical Center

DAY 3

Saturday, May 4

7:30 – 9:00 am

David Novicki, DPM

- Hallux Rigidus
- Treatment of Heel Spurs and Neuromas

9:00 am – Noon

**** Breakout option
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Allen Jacobs, DPM

- Classification and Stratification of DFU (30)
- DFU Guidelines: IWGDF management recommendations (30)
- Charcot's Joint Disease: IWGDF Evaluation and Management Recommendations (30)
- Infection in DFU: IWGDF Recommendations (30)
- Bone and Joint Disorders in the Diabetic Patient (45)

Noon

LUNCH

1:00 – 2:00 pm

Grace Torres-Hodges, DPM, MBA

Private Practice Solution: Reclaiming Physician Autonomy & Restoring the Doctor-Patient Relationship

2:00 – 6:00 pm

**** Breakout option
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Wound Care Block: Steven Kravitz, DPM, FAPWHc and Scott Pickett

- To Conquer Biofilms Keep It Positive – Being Neutral Has its Advantages
- Positive Ions and Polymers PART 2-Healing Wounds Using The Body's Bioelectric Current- The Future of Healing Without Antibiotics

DAY 4

Sunday, May 5

7:30 – 9:30 am

Ed Glaser, DPM

Introducing a new Break in Period Paradigm – RRR

9:30 – 11:30 am

Holly Spohn-Gross, DPM

- Pearls for Treating the Non-Compliant Patient (50 minutes)
- Sports Medicine: How to Keep Walkers Walking and Runners Running (50 minutes)

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Dan Aronowitz, DPM

- Forefoot Arthrodesis (digital, lesser mets, 1st MPJ)
- Rearfoot Arthrodesis (triple, isolated STJ, Why a Gastrocnemius Recession?)

1:30 – 5:00 pm

Dedrie Polakof, MD, DPM

- What Bit Me Doc?
- MRI vs. CT: When to Order Which?
- Surgical Complications

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DOUGLAS SPITALNY, DPM is a board certified foot and ankle surgeon who currently practices and instructs at General Leonard Wood Army Hospital in Missouri. Dr. Spitalny has vast experience with trauma, reconstruction, total ankle replacement and external fixation.

HOLLY SPOHN-GROSS, DPM is a skilled Podiatric Surgeon and performs surgery on the bones, ligaments, tendons, and joints of the foot and ankle. Common procedures performed include hammertoe reconstruction and bunion correction. Dr. Spohn-Gross is board certified in wound care and specializes in diabetic foot care, and Peripheral Vascular Disease, Complex Regional Pain Syndrome, and Sports Medicine.

GRACE TORRES-HODGES, DPM, MBA is a board-certified podiatrist. She completed her undergraduate studies at Vanderbilt University and was pursuing graduate studies in sports medicine at the United States Sports Academy, prior to medical school. Dr. Torres-Hodges received her medical degree from the New York College of Podiatric Medicine where she was recognized as an FPME scholarship student and recipient of the Peer Award for the Fellow Student who Most Advanced Podiatric Medicine. At graduation, she was inducted into Pi Mu Delta and awarded the Board of Trustees Award for Excellence in Leadership. Dr. Torres-Hodges completed her post-graduate residency training in both podiatric medicine and podiatric surgery at St. Vincent's Medical Center in Jacksonville, Florida. Dr. Torres-Hodges has been sharing her knowledge with the next generation of physicians as faculty to the medical students and residents at the Florida State University College of Medicine, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences - Eglin AFB and Navy Hospital-Pensacola and Kent State University's College of Podiatric Medicine. She has been an invited speaker at national conferences on subspecialty topics of podopediatrics, diabetes and integrating technologies into private practice.

GLENN VITALE, DPM is the owner and president of the Connecticut Podiatry Group which provides complete treatment and reconstructive surgery for all foot and ankle diseases, injuries and fractures, sports injuries, sports medicine, paediatric deformities, diabetic anomalies of the foot and lower extremities. Dr. Vitale is a diplomat of the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery and a fellow of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons. He is the inventor, founder and Chief Medical Officer of Accufix Surgical, Inc.

IRA WEINER, DPM has developed and co-developed a number of innovative podiatric surgical techniques. In addition to his surgical practice with Genesis Vascular Healthcare, he co-directs the North Vista Hospital Wound Care Hyperbaric Oxygen and Limb Salvage program. He is also an adjunct professor at Avalon University School of Medicine and Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara, a consultant for Mimedx Biologics and a panel member for Orthofix Trulock. He is a Diplomate, ABLES, ACHCA, UHMS

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