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## HIGHLIGHTS FROM AOHC IN ANAHEIM

WOEMA, the largest component of American College of Occupational & Environmental Medicine (ACOEM), was well represented at the largest gathering of the American Occupational Health Conference (AOHC) to date with a record-breaking 1,500 attendees.

The strong presence of WOEMA past presidents was noticeable. The conference was co-chaired by **Pam Hymel, MD**, VP, Chief Medical Officer, Walt Disney Parks and Resorts and **Constantine Dean Gean, MD**, Regional Medical Director, Liberty Mutual Insurance. **Scott Levy, MD** Regional Medical Manager, Europe, Eurasia, Middle East & Africa for Chevron Products UK Limited, accepted the gavel to become ACOEM Speaker of the House of Delegates. **Leslie Israel, DO**, Medical Director, Occupational Health Services for Los Angeles Dept. of Water and Power, joined the ACOEM Board of Directors having recently been elected. **Paul Papanek, MD**, Public Health Medical Officer, Cal/OSHA, was the recipient of ACOEM's Health Achievement in Occupational Medicine Award. **Bob Orford, MD**, Mayo Clinic (now based in London), chaired WOEMA's delegation at the House of Delegates.

WOEMA had the largest number of delegates and alternates in attendance at the House of Delegates meeting thanks to these WOEMA members: **Robert Blink, MD, Rupali Das, MD, Anthony Biascan, MD, Stephen Levit, MD, Mona Khanna, MD, and Robert Orford, MD**. Alternates: **Jerald Cook, MD, Derek Gagnon, MD, Chang Na, MD, Erik Won, DO, and David Caretto, MD**.

More than 100 members and their guests attended the WOEMA networking reception at the Disneyland Hotel where current president **Bernyce Peplowski, DO**, who hails from Honolulu, extended a warm "Hawaiian" welcome to those in attendance and she thanked WOEMA members who are involved in leadership roles. She also recognized and congratulated WOEMA's newest ACOEM Fellows: **Rosalie Banasiak, MD, Jeremy Biggs, MD, Rajiv Das, MD, Gurinder Dhindsa, MD, Mason Harrell, MD, Marcia Isakari, MD, Geoffrey Jacoby, Paul Kim, MD, Amir Nicknam, MD, Marlene Sanchez, MD, and John Westhoff, MD**.

Great showing and nice going WOEMA – congratulations to all!

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**FREE CME WEBINAR ON TUESDAY, JUNE 25 • 12:00 PM PDT**

Topic: Orthopedic Injuries – Fractures of the Wrist and Forearm

Presented by: Christopher Bayne, MD

This webinar will allow participants to be able to recognize the clinical symptoms suggestive of a wrist or forearm fracture. The participant will understand the pertinent anatomy and have the tools to diagnose the most common fracture patterns of the wrist and forearm. Furthermore, the participant will feel comfortable with the initial management of these injuries and understand when these injuries require emergent orthopedic surgery intervention.

Learning objectives – After this webinar, participants will be able to:

- Know the anatomy of the wrist and forearm
- Perform pertinent physical exam
- View imaging for diagnosis of wrist and forearm (as well as possible associated injuries)
- Identify emergent signs and symptoms
- Use appropriate immobilization of wrist and forearm fractures

Dr. Christopher Bayne is an Orthopedic Surgeon and Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at UC Davis Medical Center in Sacramento, CA. He obtained his Medical Degree at Harvard University in Boston, MA and completed his Orthopedic Surgery training at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago, IL. He completed a fellowship in Hand, Upper Extremity, and Microvascular Surgery at The Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. Clinically, he has a special interest in upper extremity trauma, brachial plexus injury, and shoulder and elbow arthroplasty. He is passionate about education and is actively involved in the UC Davis Orthopedic Residency and Hand and Upper Extremity Fellowship programs.

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## WESTERN OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH CONFERENCE 2019

Registration for the 63rd Annual Western Occupational Health Conference (WOHC) is now open!

[Download a PDF of the conference brochure](#) and find out what WOHC 2019 has in store this year. WOEMA is pleased to offer full conference and single-day registration options. New this year is the option to attend any number of the Post-Graduate Sessions, Worksite Tours, Commercial Driver Course, or Workers' Compensation Certificate Course (*space permitting*) when you select Thursday or Full Conference registration.

Be sure to reserve your hotel room early! Room rates at the Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina, Bay Tower start at \$219/night+tax. To receive the conference rate, [reserve online](#) or by calling the hotel directly at **619-291-2900** and mention that you are with WOEMA.

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## WOEMA OFFERS OCC MED BOARD EXAM PREP COURSE

New this year, WOEMA is offering a one-day, condensed eight-hour refresher course to prepare graduating and current residents to take the ABPM Occupational Medicine Board Examination, as well as for established Occupational Medicine physicians to update their knowledge ahead of the recertification exam. The course is prior to the Western Occupational Health Conference (WOHC) on Wednesday, September 11, at the Sheraton San Diego Hotel and Marina. **John Meyer, MD and Nimisha Kalia, MD** will provide a teaching session and review on clinical, administrative, and programmatic aspects of occupational medicine that appear on the ABPM examination, and offer you the chance to assess your familiarity with the major areas of occupational medicine practice. Whether you are taking the exam for the first time, or are updating for your ten-year re-certification, this course can provide you with the right material to enable you to feel confident in your OM expertise. Fees cover course materials, breaks, and CME/MOC credits. ACOEM/WOEMA Members: \$495; Non-Member: \$695; Residents/Student Members: \$295

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## RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Attention Residents! Apply for a scholarship to WOHC 2019.

WOEMA is inviting resident physicians to WOHC 2019 to present posters on occupational and environmental medicine research or projects that have been conducted. A review panel will award a first prize (\$250) and a second prize (\$125) to the presenters.

A limited number of scholarships\* are available to residents. Those awarded scholarships will be requested to assist with speaker introductions and other activities to facilitate the conference.

*\*WOEMA members given priority.*

### Important dates to remember:

- **August 1st, 2019** – Resident submissions due
- **August 15, 2019** – Awardees notified of their award
- **September 11th-14th** – WOHC 2019

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## NOTICE OF WOEMA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

In accordance with the WOEMA bylaws, this serves as official notice Annual Business Meeting to be held on **Friday, September 13, 2019 at 4:55 PM at the Sheraton San Diego Hotel and Marina during the Western Occupational Health Conference (WOHC)**. In advance of the meeting, members will receive the slate of officers and directors for the Board election as proposed by the WOEMA Nominating Committee comprised of **Robert Blink, MD (Chair), Sachin Kapoor, DO, and Leslie Israel, DO**. All voting members present at the meeting will have the opportunity to cast a vote in the election.

WOEMA is a regional component of the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM) and is dedicated to high-quality medical care and ethical principles governing the practice of occupational medicine.

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