Are you an ophthalmic surgeon?

The American College of Surgeons is your professional association.

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AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS Realize the potential of your profession

With more than 80,000 members, the American College of Surgeons (ACS) is the largest organization of surgeons in the world, uniquely positioned to lead the way in optimal patient care, surgical research, health policy, continuing education, and networking opportunities. We have so much to offer surgeons of all specialties, at any point in their careers. Join thousands of your ophthalmic surgeon colleagues. Become a member, and take advantage of the following opportunities and resources.

ADVOCACY EFFORTS

ACS is the strongest voice for surgeons; we advocate for positions and issues that benefit all surgical specialties at the state and national levels. The College's health policy priorities include advocating before Congress and in state capitals, representing the interests of surgeons and their clinical practices with federal agencies and quality improvement organizations, and fostering an extensive federal and state grassroots advocacy network. The College is very supportive of scope of practice issues facing ophthalmologists.

Take advantage of workshops on practice management and coding issues and our practice management listserv. Participate in the spring Leadership & Advocacy Summit and attend Congressional visits to establish relationships with your member of Congress. Access *Surgeons Voice.org* to learn more about your elected officials and their positions on issues.

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Join your local ACS Chapter. Chapters work in conjunction with the College to provide outstanding local networking and educational opportunities.

Access the ACS Communities. The multiple members-only online communities allow surgeons to connect, engage, and share information in real time.

Stop the Bleed[®]**.** Promote, participate in, or become faculty for the Stop the Bleed program.

Volunteer with Operation Giving Back. Consider participating in a domestic or international surgical volunteer opportunity.

QUALITY PROGRAMS

Surgeon Specific Registry (SSR). The SSR allows surgeons of all specialties to track their cases and outcomes and address a variety of regulatory requirements.

ACS Optimal Resources for Surgical Quality and Safety. This standards-based manual outlines key concepts in quality, safety, and reliability, and explores the essential elements that all hospitals should have in place to ensure the delivery of patient-centered care. This resource is a must read for surgical leaders who want to serve as physician champions and implement an ACS Quality Program in their hospital.

Quality Payment Program Resource Center and Regulatory Resource Center. These online resource centers were created to help you navigate the Medicare physician payment system and a variety of regulatory issues and requirements.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The ACS provides nominations for the Leadership Development Program at the American Academy of Ophthalmology. There are many other surgical research and travel scholarships and fellowships available to Fellows, including traveling fellowships to Germany, Japan, and Australia and New Zealand.

SURGICAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING RESOURCES

Clinical Congress. Enjoy a deep member registration discount to this premier surgical meeting featuring hundreds of hours of educational sessions and activities. The annual Clinical Congress provides an opportunity to gain inspiration and interface with surgeons across all specialties through interdisciplinary panels, workshops, courses, Meet-the-Expert Sessions, and lectures.

Educational Courses. Online courses include Ultrasound for Surgeons and Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery, or attend in-person courses such as Surgeons as Leaders, Surgeons as Educators, and a wide variety of trauma education offerings.

Academy of Master Surgeon Educators. The Academy advances the science and practice of education across all surgical specialties. ACS Fellows who are recognized as surgeon educators may apply for membership in this Academy through the defined application process.

MyCME. Use the MyCME online tool to document and track your CME Credits, print transcripts, and download CME Certificates.

Ethical Issues in Surgical Care. This is the definitive textbook on ethical issues in surgical practice.

ACS Case Reviews in Surgery. This case-studies journal covers an extensive array of specialties.

Patient Education Resources. Home skills kits to prepare patients for complex care, a surgical prep brochure series, procedurespecific informed consent forms, and a surgical cancer series are just some of the programs available to members.

Residents as Teachers and Leaders Course. This in-person course is designed to help mid-to-senior-level surgical residents develop and hone the skills necessary to become effective teachers and successful leaders.

PUBLICATIONS AND NEWS

Receive the latest research and news from ACS and the surgical community through online access to multiple ACS publications, including the *Journal of the American College of Surgeons (JACS)*, which offers JACS CME Credit; the Bulletin of the American College of Surgeons, the College's monthly news magazine; ACS NewsScope, a weekly e-newsletter; and an e-newsletter specific to your specialty.



The letters FACS (Fellow, American College of Surgeons) after a surgeon's name mean that the surgeon's education and training, professional qualifications, surgical competence, and ethical conduct have passed a rigorous evaluation, and have been found to be consistent with the high standards established and demanded by the College.

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