

HEART BEAT

The monthly newsletter from The OSCA

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The 2021 OSCA Annual Convention *Registration Launches 7/6/2021*



We are excited to announce that you can register for the 2021 OSCA Annual Convention beginning this Tuesday, July 6th 2021! Better yet, if you register during the very first week of open registration, you will get the *best* price possible for this year's convention. Register **between July 6-9** using promo code "CONVENTION21" and save an additional \$50 per full-convention, early-bird ticket price! That's \$150 savings per ticket!

The OSCA Annual Convention is October 1-3, 2021 at the Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center in Columbus, Ohio. We will have great speakers including some returning speakers from our 2020 virtual convention like Dr. Dan

Murphy and Dr. Kris Tohtz along with new speakers like Dr. Mike Powell and Dr. Enrique Flores! You can receive up to 12 CEs while enjoying a weekend reunited with your colleagues! We have great events like our annual Gala and welcome party planned along with some new surprises!

This year we also are bringing back 6 hours of acupuncture license renewal! Dr. Kris Tohtz is back to teach in person this year, so if you missed her presentation from the 2020 virtual convention, [you can take it here](#) and complete your acupuncture hours for this license renewal period! We also have extended, in-depth learning sessions with Dr. Dan Murphy and Dr. Mike Powell. We do want you to pick you session ahead of registration, so please [take a look at all our speakers here](#) prior to registering!

This year's gala theme is "Hollywood Glamour!" So break out your nicest outfit and get ready to hit the red carpet with your fellow Ohio DCs! You'll get your photo taken in front of our step-and-repeat, and then head in to hear who our award-winning chiropractors are for 2021! After that you'll be able to dance the night away with The Reaganomics, a famous local 80's cover band!

We are so excited to return to the Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center this year and to see you all in-person! You have until August 31st to guarantee your room at our special rate of \$144 per night, and until September 1st to get early-bird pricing. You know that you're going to attend, so save some money and register July 6th! Don't forget to use code: CONVENTION21 to save \$50 and get excited for the 2021 OSCA Annual Convention!

Don't miss out on this member free benefit

ONLINE WEBINARS

Click here to take any available webinar today!
- 19 Hours of Chiropractic education
- 6 hour of acupuncture education



Important Updates for Your Office

OSHA Issues Updated COVID Guidance: Last week, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration issued new guidance on COVID protocols in healthcare settings. After reviewing these new documents, the OSCA wanted to update membership on the sections that may apply to their offices. The majority of the guidance is for those settings that are treating active COVID patients. For non-ambulatory settings, OSHA states there is this exception:

Non-hospital ambulatory care settings where all non-employees are screened prior to entry and people with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 are not permitted to enter those settings;" are excluded from the OSHA guidelines.

In this exception, that will likely apply to many members' offices, it states that all non-employees should be screened prior to entry and those with suspected or confirmed COVID cases should not be permitted to enter. If you do not currently have a screening process in place for patients, it is recommended that you implement one soon to comply with this exception. Otherwise, your office may be subject to the full list of OSHA guidelines to prevent any violations.

If your office is in a hospital setting or you are not screening patients prior to entry, it is recommended that you take a look at these requirements and enact them in your office in the next 14 days to ensure you are not in violation of OSHA. [Click here to view the summary.](#)

Unsure where you stand in this new decision? [Click here for an easy-to-use sheet, "Is your workplace covered by the COVID-19 Healthcare ETS?"](#)

ICD 10 Codes Update: Effective October 1, 2021 and through September 30, 2022, some ICD 10 code changes and additions will impact chiropractic offices. These changes become effective 10/1/21, so make note to update your codes at that time. [Click here to view the ICD 10 changes.](#)

CareSource Updates: CareSource has announced their new policy on chiropractic care. This policy addresses the need for a primary and secondary diagnosis, which will be enacted begin October 1st, 2021. [To view the policy in it's entirety, please click here.](#)

\$5,000 ANNIVERSARY SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION
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8/09/21



The Ohio Chiropractic Foundation is pleased to announce that it is now accepting applications for the 2021 Anniversary Scholarship! Established in 2019 during the 50th anniversary year of the Ohio State Chiropractic Association, the Ohio Chiropractic Foundation Student Scholarship Program recognizes chiropractic students who are committed to shaping the future of the profession and practicing in the state of Ohio. Applicants are evaluated on their potential to become leaders for the chiropractic profession, as demonstrated by involvement in school and community activities, and academic performance.

General Eligibility Criteria:

- Student Member of the OSCA (Membership is free). Visit www.oscachiro.org to join.
- Complete at least two academic years (6 trimesters) in a Chiropractic school setting.
- Earn a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent grading system) in professional course work during chiropractic school.
- Student must be willing to reside and practice in the state of Ohio and commit to helping shape the future of the profession after graduation.

The deadline to apply is August 9, 2021, and the winner will be announced at the OSCA Convention! If you know a student that qualifies, encourage them to apply today!

[Click here for the application](#)

Legislative Updates

Summer Recess at the Statehouse: The Ohio Legislature is breaking for summer recess beginning July 1st. While OSCA's House Bill 136 did not get passed prior to summer break, we are continuing to work towards its passage and expect to see it pass the Senate this fall when session resumes. It is not uncommon to see legislation outside the state budget bill pause on movement since the budget, passed once every 2 years in the legislature, is the largest and most involved bill the legislature sees each General Assembly. At this time, we do not see anything in this legislation that will directly affect the chiropractic profession, but we



will communicate with members if that changes. At this time, the legislature is scheduled to officially come back into session the week of September 15th, 2021.

If you would like to help HB 136 and other OSCA legislation, please become a Chiropractic-PAC donor! You could donate on your own, but it has a much greater impact on the profession when we give together! Let's show the legislature that we are united and strong! [Click here to donate today!](#)



A few hundred people around the state and country have already signed up to run or walk the Chiropractic Keeps Me Moving 5k. Whether participating in a group or on their own, each person is actively repping chiropractic and supporting the Ohio Chiropractic Foundation Scholarship. Won't you join us?

Upcoming Events:

- July 31st - District 8
- August 21st - District 5
- August 21st - District 12
- September 12th - District 9
- September 18th - District 1
- Or, on your own, any date, time, and location you choose



Click the image above to register today!

Immediate Past President, Dr. Jerry Simon and his family on their race day in June.

Partner Affiliate Offering Easy to Manage and Cost Effective 401K Plan!

If you haven't already checked it out, the OSCA encourages you to take a look at the new **401k Retirement Exchange Plan**, provided by Zirker Financial and Skylight Financial.

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Rob and his team will be at the 2021 Annual Convention if you want to see him and learn more about the plan in person!

If you have questions in the mean time - contact Rob Zirker at



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