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The American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery (ASCRS) is an international educational society whose mission is to advance the art and science of ophthalmic surgery and the knowledge and skills of ophthalmic surgeons.

ASCRS has grown to become the anterior segment surgeon’s primary source for relevant, up-to-date clinical information, including published research, peer-to-peer interaction, online CME and video presentations, and legislative and regulatory information.

Our strength stems from our worldwide network of members who contribute to our vast catalog of educational content.

Programming and Clinical Committees, along with hundreds of member contributors, develop and deliver interactive education to address the needs of today’s ophthalmologist. Content is targeted, searchable, convenient to access, and instantly available.
YEAR-LONG EDUCATION

ASCRS is deeply committed to elevating patient care through physician education and enhancement, and offers multiple avenues to expand and improve their clinical skills.

ASCRS CENTER FOR LEARNING

Only members receive all of the ASCRS online educational opportunities as a benefit of membership.

Select from diverse subtopics through these primary categories:

Cataract • Cornea • Glaucoma • Keratorefractive • Pediatric • Presbyopia Correction • Retina • Non-Clinical

POST-MEETING RESOURCES

Browse exclusive presentations, handouts, films, posters, abstracts, and papers from the annual conferences.

CLINICAL REPORTS

Find white papers, position papers, and guidelines created by our clinical committees and task forces.

CME 365

Save time with quality content at your fingertips. Earn credits by taking courses directly related to your needs.

PODCASTS

Listen to the most important analyses and debates on issues affecting your practice.

WEBINARS

View all archived and upcoming presentations on a variety of surgical and clinical topics.

EyeConnect

Network with your colleagues through the daily discussion forum and access the resource library.

Find new information that’s exactly what you need. All the high quality content is frequently updated and curated. Get the advantage of the ASCRS Center for Learning. ascrs.org/learn
MEETINGS

Each spring, the annual Symposium and Congress draws thousands of leading ophthalmologists from around the world. ASCRS supplements its annual meeting with smaller, interactive meetings throughout the year.

ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM & CONGRESS

The ASCRS Symposium is the largest U.S. meeting dedicated exclusively to anterior segment education. Registration includes free crossover access to the ASOA Congress—the leading U.S. practice management program.

ASCRS offers a single meeting experience for the entire ophthalmic practice. Ophthalmologists, administrators, nurses and technicians will all find customized educational tracks unique to their specific needs.

• Learn directly from the world’s thought leaders
• Broaden your networking connections
• Return with the practical tools needed to improve your practice

Additional single-day programs include: ASCRS Glaucoma Day, ASCRS Refractive Day, Cornea Day, and the ASOA Workshops.

REGIONAL MEETINGS

COMBINED OPHTHALMIC SYMPOSIUM (COS)
AUSTIN, TEXAS • COS.ascrs.org

Integrated education for the entire practice is offered each summer during a single weekend.

YOUNG EYE SURGEONS (YES) ADVANCED CATARACT TRAINING
YESACT.ascrs.org

U.S.-based residents, fellows, and young eyes surgeons in their first five years of practice join a faculty of leading experts for a one-and-a-half day program featuring video case presentations, wet labs, and roundtable breakout discussions.
Members have access to a vast library of resources and tools developed to enhance learning and improve practice efficiency.

**NETWORKING**

- **ASCRS EyeConnect**
  Participate in daily online discussions with colleagues from around the world. Seek advice on challenging cases and assist peers with input from your own experience.

- **ASCRS 365 App**
- **Career Center**
- **ASCRS Member Directory**
- **ASCRS Facebook and Twitter**

**TOOLS**

- **Post Refractive IOL Calculator**
- **Barrett Toric Calculator**
- **Toric Results Analyzer**
- **Hill-RBF Calculator**
- **Pinto/ASOA Practice Viability Index**
- **HORV, TASS, and International Ectasia Registries**
- **Ophthalmic Product Guide**
NEWS, RESEARCH, AND BENCHMARKS

ASCRS publications are among the most widely-read in ophthalmology. Members have access to the latest clinical studies and ophthalmic reporting.

PUBLICATIONS

The monthly *Journal of Cataract and Refractive Surgery (JCRS)* is peer-reviewed and features original clinical studies, consultation and techniques sections, along with reviews and science articles.

*EyeWorld* magazine and *Ophthalmology Business* magazine report on the latest ophthalmic clinical, practice management, and business news in an easy-to-read format. Section editors curate and deliver the most important information and opinion in cataract, cornea, refractive, glaucoma, and retina, along with special sections devoted to residents, international and business. [digital.eyeworld.org](http://digital.eyeworld.org)

*ASCRS This Week* brings members updates on breaking stories, new ASCRS offerings, and important member benefits in a concise e-newsletter format. The weekly *ASCRS Clinical Spotlight* features select surgical videos highlighting new techniques and complications management from the ASCRS Center for Learning.

DATA ANALYSES AND BENCHMARKING

ASCRS Clinical Surveys collect relevant, useful information from thousands of member ophthalmologists.

Members have access to clinical data, custom reports, and benchmarking information across all areas of ophthalmology.
The American Society of Ophthalmic Administrators (ASOA), a division of ASCRS, is a 3,000-member professional organization dedicated exclusively to ophthalmic practice management.

ASOA provides its members—ophthalmic administrators, practice management staff, and surgeons—with the tools and resources to maximize practice efficiency in areas of business operations, billing, coding, marketing, patient management, human resources and staff training.

Members have access to the ASOA Learning Center, webinars, surveys and benchmarking data, the EyeMail listserv, and the award-winning Administrative Eyecare magazine.

CERTIFIED OPHTHALMIC EXECUTIVE (COE)

ASOA offers qualified candidates the ability to earn the Certified Ophthalmic Executive (COE) designation, the national standard for ophthalmic practice management.

asoa.org/COE
GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

ASCRS plays a leadership role in the Alliance of Specialty Medicine (ASM) and the broader medical and surgical communities in seeking to alleviate the regulatory burden on physicians and maintain patient access to high-quality surgical and specialty care.

RESOURCES AND SERVICES

- Guides, reports, and email updates on legislative and regulatory issues
- Washington Watch Weekly e-newsletter
- Legislative and regulatory representation
- Webinars
- Live sessions at ASCRS meetings
- Q&A with staff members on EyeConnect

ASCRS assists with member involvement in the political and advocacy processes through eyePAC and the eyeContact Grassroots Program.

ASCRSgrassroots.org
YOUNG EYE SURGEONS (YES)

Specialized programming is provided to residents, fellows, and young surgeons in their first five years of practice.

From networking opportunities to dedicated meetings, ASCRS provides the clinical and management expertise necessary to successfully launch a career in ophthalmology.

PROGRAMMING AND NETWORKING

- Free or discounted membership and meeting registrations*
- Scholarships and grants
- YES webinars, live programming, and wet labs
- Networking events and roundtables with world-renowned surgeons
- Phaco Fundamentals Classroom

“Like” ASCRS Young Eye Surgeons on Facebook to receive news, photos, and live clinical updates.

*Free membership and meeting registrations are provided to residents and fellows training in the U.S. or Canada. Surgeons in their first five years of practice receive significantly discounted membership and meeting registrations.

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The ASCRS Foundation supports physician education and provides humanitarian cataract surgery in the United States and the Developing World.

Through programs and partnerships, the foundation maximizes the benefits of modern ophthalmology and treats thousands of needy patients both at home and abroad.

**HUMANITARIAN EYECARE**

Operation Sight is the foundation’s domestic charitable cataract surgery program. By leveraging the combined strength of volunteer surgeons, Operation Sight provides needed care to those unable to access or afford cataract surgery.

The foundation’s Robert Sinskey Eye Institute is the largest charitable eye hospital in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, treating over 22,000 patients annually.

Though partnerships with like-minded organizations, the foundation works to expand the availability of humanitarian cataract surgery in other parts of the world.

**EDUCATION**

Through our annual grants and awards program, the foundation furthers research into all areas of eye disease and treatment, and recognizes the next generation of ophthalmic leaders. Apply online.

Volunteer opportunities are available.

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JOIN TODAY OR VOLUNTEER TO GET MORE INVOLVED

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ascrs.org/volunteer