December 2, 2019

To: TAOP Membership

From: Dr. Garrett Shepherd, President, Dr. Tom Graves, President-Elect, Dr. Jessica Durham, Legislative Committee Chair, Gary Odom, Executive Director

RE: Second Presentation of Laser Procedures Program

The Tennessee Association of Optometric Physicians is pleased to host the second presentation of the Laser Procedures program presented by faculty of Northeastern State University’s Optometry College of Oklahoma. The program will be held February 22 and 23, 2020. The course consists of 16 hours of COPE approved CME. The program will be held at the Four Points by Sheraton Brentwood, 760 Old Hickory Blv., Brentwood, TN 37027.

This is the same course that other states including Kentucky, Louisiana, and Arkansas offered to their members prior to their successful legislative efforts to expand the scope of Optometry’s practice in those states to include laser procedures. This program focuses on Laser Therapy for the Anterior Segment and includes the training and opportunity to learn the technical skills required for performing anterior segment laser procedures. Topics include laser physics, laser tissue interactions, gonioscopy, and an in-depth discussion of the most-commonly performed clinical anterior segment laser procedures including YAG laser capsulotomy, laser peripheral iridotomy (PI), green laser trabeculoplasty (GLT), selective laser trabeculoplasty (SLT), and green laser peripheral iridoplasty. The indications, contraindications, alternative treatment options, risks, benefits, and procedural techniques are discussed in detail during this program, as well as management of possible complications. The lecture component of this program is followed by hands-on laboratory training utilizing the Green, YAG, and SLT lasers. The enrollment for this program is limited to 50 Optometrists because of this hands-on laboratory training that attendees will receive.

The registration fee is $1,250 for TAOP/AAO members. We have arranged for a guest room block at the Four Points by Sheraton Brentwood. The room block will be available for Friday, February 21 and Saturday, February 22. Guest room rates of $119.00 for a standard king room and $129.00 for a standard double have been negotiated with the hotel for TAOP members. You make you guest room reservations by either calling Marriott Reservations (Marriott now owns Sheraton Hotels) at (800) 368-7764 or online through the link below: https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1574803807990&key=GRP&app=resvlink

Please advise when making the reservation that you are part of the meeting of the Tennessee Association of Optometric Physicians. We have attached a copy of the program, and a registration form. This is not a meeting you will want to miss. This is about the future of Optometry in Tennessee. Please contact Gary or Lesley at 1-800-451-2438 or email garyodomtn@gmail.com or lesley@taoponline.org if you have questions.
The Tennessee Association of Optometric Physicians is Pleased to Host the Northeastern State University Optometry College of Oklahoma’s Laser Procedures Program

February 22 & 23, 2020 at the Four Points by Sheraton Brentwood

16 hours of COPE Approved CME

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**Saturday, February 22, 2020**

7:00-8:00 A.M. **Breakfast**

8:00-9:00 A.M. “Laser Physics, Hazards & Safety.” COPE 52430-LP, Doug Penisten, O.D., Ph.D.

9:00-10:00 A.M. “Laser Tissue Interactions.” COPE 52415-LP, Nate Lighthizer, O.D.

10:00-12:00 P.M. “Clinical Workshops: Introduction to Therapeutic Lasers.” COPE 52211-LP Drs. Castillo, Lighthizer, Miller & Penisten.

12:00-1:00 P.M. “Gonioscopy: How to Interpret What You Are Seeing.” COPE 52348-PD Doug Penisten, O.D., Ph.D.

1:00-2:00 P.M. **Lunch**

2:00-4:00 P.M. “Laser Therapy for the Open Angle Glaucomas: ALT & SLT.” COPE 52418-GL Nate Lighthizer, O.D.

4:00-5:00 PM. “Laser Therapy in Narrow Angles/Angle Closure: LPI and ALP.” COPE 52419-LP Jeff Miller, O.D.

5:00-6:00 P.M. “YAG Laser Posterior Capsulotomy.” COPE 52344-LP, Nate Lighthizer O.D.

6:00-7:00 P.M. “Managing Potential Laser Complications.” COPE 51930-LP, Richard Castillo, O.D., D.O.

**Sunday, February 23, 2020**

7:00-7:30 A.M. **Breakfast**


8:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. Lab Rotations

(1) YAG Capsulotomy - Dr. Castillo
(2) Laser Peripheral Iridotomy - Dr. Miller
(3) Gonioscopy & Laser Lenses - Dr. Penisten
(4)Laser Trabeculoplasty: ALT & SLT - Dr. Lighthizer

12:30 P.M.-Review & Final Exam - Nate Lighthizer, O.D.
Registration Form – Laser Procedures Program
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Hotel Guest Room Reservations
TN Association of Optometric Physicians Meeting
Start Date: Friday, February 21, 2020
End Date: Sunday, February 23, 2020
Last Day to Book: Friday, January 21, 2020

Hotel(s) offering your special group rate:
• Four Points by Sheraton Brentwood $119.00 - $129.00

• Please note the room cutoff date •

Register online here: https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1574803807990&key=GRP&app=resvlink

Registration Fees:
$1,250.00 TAOP or AOA Member

$1,750.00 Non-TAOP Member

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