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SEPTEMBER 29 — OCTOBER 2 • PHOENIX, ARIZONA
65TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
WESTERN OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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LOOKING FOR THAT HOT SPOT IN SEPTEMBER?

Well, Arizona has hit that mark!
The 65th annual WOHC,
September 29 - October 02, 2021
Registration is open.
The Phoenix bird is beckoning you,
As it extends its wing to lift the curtain,
You can bank on an exciting conference.
The topics are deposited.
The sessions are earning interest.
What can they be?
COVID of course: but with a spin,
You haven't seen this one before.
And so much more... Join us.

Rosalie Banasiak, MD, Committee Chair
Alya Khan, MD, Committee Co-Chair

SCHEDULE SNEAK PEEK

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 8 AM – 5:30 PM

Three Post Graduate Sessions!

Power Ortho: Focus on the Upper Extremity presented by general and hand orthopedic specialists, plus physical and hand therapists' discussion and demonstration of exam techniques, treatment, and therapeutic approach.

Skills Session: Two part presentation. Part One – office based ophthalmology exam and procedures. Part Two – office based wound management and closure techniques from a plastic surgeon's perspective.

Spirometry: Two part presentation. Part One – Basic Spirometry. Part Two – Spirometry, A Deep Dive.

WORKSITE VISIT:

Barrow Neurological Institute, Phoenix, AZ

The tour kicks off with presentations by brain injury specialists [Christina Kwasnica, MD](#), and [Javier Cárdenas, MD](#), followed by a visit to the rehab areas where attendees experience various robotic devices used during the rehabilitation process.

SPACE IS LIMITED! SIGN UP NOW.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 8 AM – 5:30 PM

DOT Certification Course

This FMSCA Certified Medical Examiner Training Course is a high-quality training course providing a focused learning experience. It will help the DOT examiner become more knowledgeable about DOT regulations and driver medical and physical qualifications for safely operating commercial motor vehicles. The curriculum can be used to prepare for the exam set by the FMSCA. Topics will include the medical examiner's role, driver medical history, and exam, testing, certification, and reporting.

Anne-Marie Puricelli, M.D., J.D., National Medical Director Transportation, Concentra; Michael W. Berneking, MD, FACOEM, FAAFP, FAASM, Medical Director, Concentra

Heat Illness

Richard A. Vinroot Jr MD MPH, Vice President-Global Medical Director, Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold

Risk Management

David Bonauto, MD, MPH, Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences, University of Washington

Jeff Burgess, MD, MS, MPH, University of Arizona Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health

*John Gulotta, Safety and Wellness Chief, City of Tucson Fire Dept
Gerald Poplin, Branch Chief, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*

Welcome Reception

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Continuing Medical Education (CME) applications are pending.

QME Credits

WOEMA is accredited by the Administrative Director of the California Division of Workers' Compensation as a provider of Qualified Medical Evaluator (QME) continuing education (provider number 320). WOEMA takes responsibility for the content, quality, and scientific integrity of this CME activity.

Nurses

The American Board of Occupational Health Nurses (ABOHN) American Nurse Credentialing Center (ANCC), American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP), and American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA) may accept certificates of participation for educational activities certified for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ from organizations accredited by the ACCME or a recognized state medical society. Please check directly with your own licensing and/or certification agency for eligibility of these credits.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1
NETWORKING RECEPTION
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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1 7 AM – 6:30 PM

Nurse Ph.D. Candidates Presentations

Keynote: Perspectives from a Career in Preventive and Occupational Medicine

Follow along on Dr. Robert Orford's fascinating journey as he discusses Lessons from a Career in Preventive and Occupational Medicine. His long career spans government, academia, and industry in Canada, the US, and the UK. He has freely given his time and expertise to various public health committees and professional associations at the local, state, national and international levels. This inspirational keynote draws from decades of experiences and touches on career mobility, adversity, continued learning, self-care, and much more.

Robert Orford, MD, CM, MS, MPH, FACP, FACOEM, FAsMA, FACPM, Mayo Clinic

DOT Difficult Cases: Challenges and Pitfalls

This expert panel presents difficult cases, the challenges they presented, and how they were addressed. Attendees are invited to present their interesting cases to generate a valuable discussion.

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ACOEM Guidelines

Matthew A. Hughes, MD, MPH, MRO, FACOEM, University of Utah

Women's Power Luncheon

Physician leadership is important in leading a strong team that cares for the patients as well as the healthcare workforce. There are more women physicians now than ever, although there is still a gap when it comes to leadership roles. Women physicians, in particular, women physician leaders, face challenges that may impede their continued growth and success. The luncheon will enhance understanding of such challenges and how to lead more effectively with confidence and grace.

Speaker: Taben Hale, Ph.D., University of Arizona

Native American Health Access

Lynn B. Gerald, PhD, MSPH, University of Arizona Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health

Diversity and Disparities in OEM

Chyke A. Doubeni, MBBS, MPH, Mayo Clinic

Alyx Porter, MD, Mayo Clinic

Lynn B. Gerald, PhD, MSPH, University of Arizona Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health

Networking Reception

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2 7 AM – 4 PM

Resident Poster Presentations

The Realities and Relevance of Regulation in Environmental Health

A discussion of federal and state regulatory frameworks, their implications, performance, and limitations with respect to environmental exposures. Alternative approaches and suggestions will also be shared.

Misael Cabrera, Director, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

After the Pandemic: What Can We Do Better Next Time?

Join a roundtable discussion with outstanding speakers on the roles of public health, macroeconomics, the media, occupational health systems, and employee well-being in mobilizing society's response to a pandemic. This interdisciplinary session will focus on "lessons learned" and together, we'll discuss key information to inform occupational medicine practitioners and your role in preparing for the next pandemic.

Will Humble, Executive Director, Arizona Public Health Association

John Howard, MD, MPH, JD, LLM, MBA, Director, NIOSH

Michael Hodgson, MD, MPH, Director, OSHA

George Poste, DVM, DSc, PhD, FRC Path, FRS, Complex Adaptive Systems Initiative (CASI)

Alison Steinbach, journalist, Arizona Republic

Cynthia Stonnington, MD, Mayo Clinic

Career Luncheon

Culinary Aspects of Health

Learn about the health benefits of spices in everyday cooking, and healthy and nutritious substitutes for popular dishes. Previous conference sessions focused on the importance of lifestyle medicine and food as medicine. This session takes it a step further and bridges the gap by empowering occupational medicine providers with practical tools and tips.

A live cooking demo by Dr. Shiuie will be a highlight of the conference (and possibly the option to taste the delicious food afterward!).

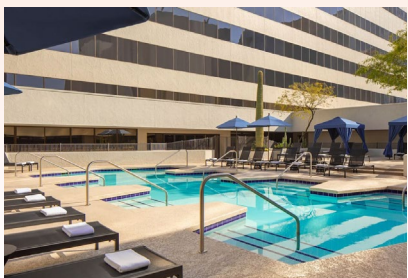
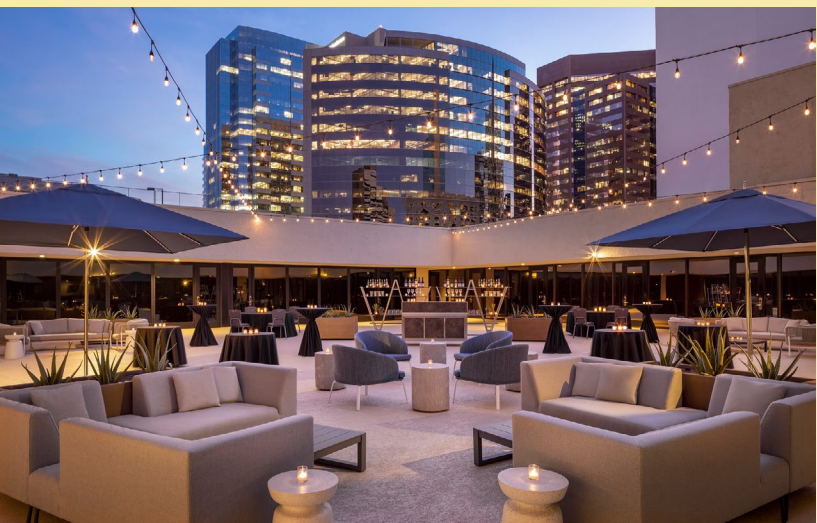
Linda Shiuie, MD, Chef and Author,

Director of Culinary Medicine, Kaiser Permanente

OEM Jeopardy

Akbar Sharip, MD, MPH, FACOEM, Occupational and Environmental Medicine, Loma Linda University Health

Anthony Biascan, MD, MSc, FACOEM, Center of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, University of San Diego



HOTEL INFO

Hyatt Regency Phoenix 122 N 2nd St, Phoenix, AZ

Explore museums, shops, culture, the arts, and the vibrant nightlife of downtown Phoenix only steps away from the conference hotel. Discounted group sleeping room rates available at https://www.woema.org/wohc-2021_hotel

Meeting Safely in Person – Safety and Wellbeing is Top Priority

The Hyatt Regency Phoenix is adhering to COVID guidelines and continues to follow [procedures and protocols](#) developed in consideration of guidance and information shared by various health organizations including the World Health Organization (WHO), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), local authorities and other leading experts and organizations like the Global Biorisk Advisory Council (GBAC). Take a look at [Hyatt's digital amenities for a contactless stay](#).

[Book your sleeping room](#) at the Hyatt Regency Downtown Phoenix at a discounted group rate, now through July 31st to **receive a bonus of 2,000 World of Hyatt Points** for your stay!

OUR MISSION

The educational mission of the Western Occupational & Environmental Medical Association (WOEMA) is to change the way our constituents practice medicine such that the health and well-being of their patients improve.

Specifically, WOEMA seeks to prevent occupational illness and injury and expedite patient recovery time from injury. Our continuing medical education (CME) programs strive to improve our learners' clinical decision-making skills

in order to improve overall worker health. The WOEMA Board of Directors and the WOEMA Committee on Education believe that CME is the pathway to achieving the Association's mission. Our intention is to provide CME that is timely, dynamic, engaging, and accessible in order to support and inspire life-long learning.

RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIPS & POSTER SESSION

WOEMA offers a limited number of scholarships to residents interested in attending the conference. Priority is given to WOEMA members. Those awarded scholarships will be requested to assist with speaker introductions and other activities to facilitate the conference. WOEMA invites resident physicians to present posters on occupational and environmental medicine research or projects that have been conducted. For additional details or to indicate your intent to submit a poster, contact woema@woema.org.

EXHIBIT & SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Participating in WOEMA/WOHC offers your company an abundance of visibility and an opportunity for an exchange of ideas with front-line leaders in the occupational medicine practice. Your support helps bring state of the art understanding of occupational and environmental medicine issues to clinicians and corporate medical directors.

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