



**From Top to Bottom in Orthopaedics**  
**April 24-25, 2026**  
**Stonewall Resort**

# Welcome

You are invited to join the West Virginia Orthopaedic Society and the West Virginia Association of Orthopaedic Executives for our annual “Spring Break” Meeting. This year’s meeting will take place on Friday and Saturday, April 24 and 25, at Stonewall Jackson Resort in Roanoke, West Virginia. The program is co-provided by the CAMC Institute for Academic Medicine. The theme of this year’s meetings is “From Top to Bottom in Orthopaedics.”

Online conference registration is available at [www.wvos.org](http://www.wvos.org), and payment can be made through PayPal. Hotel reservations must be made by **March 20** by calling 888.278.8150 or 304.269.7400 and asking for the WVOS room block. You can also make your room reservation online. Rates are \$179-\$199, depending on night, (plus taxes and resort fee) and includes your sleeping room, meals, onsite parking, in-park shuttle service, high speed internet access and Wi-Fi, use of fitness equipment, indoor/outdoor pool, sauna, steam room, paddle boats, canoes, kayaks, mountain bikes, basic fishing equipment and many other amenities. Please call **888-278-8150** by **March 20** and mention you are with WVOS to get our special rate.

This year, we are including a variety of social events for everyone, so bring your family and friends to enjoy the fun. We will have a golf scramble tournament Friday morning, April 24. The tournament is open to the **first 24 players**, and foursomes will be assigned by the WVOS tournament director. If you’re interested in playing, please contact Karim Boukhemis by **March 20**. Golf rates are \$64 per person. Lunch is available in Stillwaters Restaurant. After dinner, join us for “Fright Night Friday” to discuss cases with unexpected challenges that have made you think.

Bring a little extra cash and take the opportunity to buy \$20 raffle tickets to support the Josh Tuck Memorial Scholarship through the WV Association of Orthopaedic Executives; there will be a special prize for the winner.

We hope you will make an effort to attend our meetings this year. Drs. Eli Joseph, Ryan Murphy and Matt Bullock and Chad Fisher, JD, have created an excellent program for our members and other attendees. If you have any questions, please contact the WVOS/WVAOE office at 304.984.0308. Please register online or send your registration form and payment by March 21, 2025, to:

Diane Slaughter, APR, Fellow PRSA  
WV Orthopaedic Society/WV Association of Orthopaedic Executives  
PO Box 13604  
Charleston, WV 25360-0604

Sincerely,  
WVOS Spring Break Meeting Chairman  
Eli Joseph, MD  
WVAOE President  
Chad Fisher, JD



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# The Evidence for Golf

According to the December 24, 2021, issue of *OrthoEvidence*, 41,692 physicians in the United States who logged golf rounds in the US Golf Association database as of August 2018 were included in an observational study assessing differences in golf habits and performance across specialties. The results of this observational study suggest that amongst golfing physicians in America, the majority of whom are men, orthopaedic surgeons are amongst the most frequent and best golfers around.

*This study was limited by the self-reported golf performance, which could be subject to bias due to an overstating of their golf ability. Future research is required to understand whether golf performance is associated with superior patient outcomes and physician wellbeing.*

Prove them right and be among the first 24 physicians, residents, practice administrators and exhibitors to register for our golf event!

## April 24, 2026, Schedule

8:30 a.m.	<i>Scramble golf tournament</i>	Palmer Course
4:00 p.m.	<b>Exhibit Hall Opens</b>	Lower Foyer
4:00 p.m.	<i>Meeting of the WVOS Board of Directors</i>	Greenbrier Room
6:00 p.m.	<i>Dinner in Stillwaters Restaurant</i>	
7:30 p.m.	<b><i>Fright Night Friday: Cases that made you think</i></b> Eli Joseph, MD, Moderator	Pecan Room
9:30 p.m.	<b>Adjourn for Friday</b>	



# WVOS Conference Schedule

## Friday April 24th

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
9:00 am	Golf Tee Times	Palmer Course	
4:00 p.m.	Registration Opens	Lower Foyer	
4:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Opens	Lower Foyer	
4:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting	Greenbrier Room	
6:00 pm	Dinner	Stillwaters Restaurant	
7:30 PM	Challenging Cases Discussion	Pecan Room	Various

## Saturday April 25th

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
7:30 am	Registration/Breakfast	Lower Foyer	
8:00 am	Introduction/Welcome	Pecan Room	Eli Joseph, MD, Morgantown
8:05 am	Update in Upper Extremity	Pecan Room	Michael Niemann, MD, Morgantown
8:20 am	Olecranon Fracture Update	Pecan Room	Lunden Ryan, MD, Morgantown
8:40 am	Meniscal Ramp Lesions - How to Recognize Them and What To Do About It	Pecan Room	Richard Wardell, MD, Suffolk, VA
10:00 am	Refreshment Break	Lower Foyer	
10:20 am	Resident Research Prestations	Pecan Room	TBA
12:00 pm	Lower Extremity Updates	Pecan Room	
12:00 pm	Intertrochanteric Hip Fractures	Pecan Room	Eli Joseph, MD, Morgantown
12:15 pm	Update in Arthroplasty	Pecan Room	Ryan Murphy, MD, Morgantown
12:30 pm	Update in Ankle Fractures	Pecan Room	Karim Boukhemis, MD, Huntington
1:00 pm	Resident Presentation Awards	Pecan Room	Ryan Murphy, MD, Morgantown
1:15 pm	Lunch	Stillwaters Restaurant	
2:15 pm	Meeting Adjourns		



# The Details

## Objectives:

The participant will be able to:

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## Disclosures:

It is the policy of the CAMC Institute for Academic Medicine that any faculty (speaker) who makes a presentation at a program designated for AMA Physician's Recognition Award (PRA) Category I or II must disclose any financial interest or other relationship; (i.e. spouses/partners, grants, research support, consultant, honoraria) that faculty member has with the manufacturer(s) of any commercial product(s) that may be disclosed in the educational presentation. Program Planning Committee Members must also disclose any financial interest or relationship with commercial industry that may influence their participation in this conference. The following disclosures have been shared: None at this time. Faculty relationships with industry, if any, will be made available on-site and disclosure made from the podium to the participants. All presentations are HIPAA compliant.

## Accreditation:

In support of improving patient care, this activity has been planned and implemented by The West Virginia Orthopaedic Society (WVOS) and CAMC Institute for Academic Medicine. CAMC Institute for Academic Medicine is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team. Attendees are responsible for an online CE processing fee to receive CE credit. The processing fee is separate from any registration fees. On the day of the program, attendees will receive a unique log-in, URL link, and instructions. The CE credit processing fee per attendee is \$20 and is paid by participants through CAMC's online CE registration system.



## Credit Hour Statement:

The CAMC Institute designates this live activity for a maximum of 6 hours for AMA PRA Category I Credit(s)™ for Friday, April 24, and Saturday, April 25. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

# WVAOE Conference Schedule

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9:00 am	Golf Tee Times	Palmer Course	
4:00 p.m.	Registration Opens	Lower Foyer	
4:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Opens	Lower Foyer	
4:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting	Greenbrier Room	
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## Saturday April 25th

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
7:30 am	Registration/Breakfast	Lower Foyer	
8:00 am	Introduction/Welcome	Greenbrier Room	Chad Fisher, JD, Huntington
8:05 am	Asset Protection	Greenbrier Room	Reid Bracken, Charleston
9:00 am	The No Surprises Act & Federal IDR: How Orthopedic Practices Recover Underpayments and Protect Independence	Greenbrier Room	Fernando Valencia, Callegy Institute
10:00 am	Refreshment Break	Lower Foyer	
10:20 am	TBA	Greenbrier Room	TBA
11:00 pm	Navigating Immigration Issues for New Physician Hires	Greenbrier Room	Brad Sandler, STINSON LLP
12:00 pm	Board and Membership Meeting	Greenbrier Room	Chad Fisher, JD, Huntington
1:15 pm	Lunch	Stillwaters Restaurant	
2:15 pm	Meeting Adjourns		



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Attendee: \_\_\_\_\_

Practice Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration (including meals and all conference materials).

Select	Type	Fee	Total Due
_____	2026 Paid WVOS Member (includes \$25 OREF contribution)	\$270	_____
_____	WVOS non-member	\$370	_____
_____	Allied health professional	\$270	_____
_____	MU/WVU resident	\$ 0	_____
_____	2026 Paid WVAOE Member (includes \$25 Josh Tuck scholarship contribution)	\$200	_____
_____	WVAOE non-member	\$300	_____
_____	Spouse/Guest	\$100	_____
<b>TOTALS</b>			_____

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