



AO Spine NA Seminar - Part II ABOS Oral Board Review



June 21, 2025 - June 21, 2025

Chicago, Illinois, USA

Are you a spine surgeon preparing to take your oral boards? This one-day workshop, designed for spine surgeons by board-certified orthopedic spine surgeons, will simulate the actual oral examination given by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery (ABOS). You will have an opportunity to present your selected spine and other cases to expert faculty who will ask questions and provide feedback to help you prepare for the exam. Faculty will evaluate you on data gathering; interpretive and technical skills; diagnosis and treatment; outcomes; and applied knowledge.

Upon completion, participants will be:

- Ready to take the Part II ABOS Oral Examination
- Able to answer questions about their cases and case lists in a concise and orderly fashion
- Able to identify areas for refinement and further study that would be beneficial in exam preparation.

Although this program was initially designed for board-eligible orthopedic spine surgeons who are preparing to take the Part II ABOS (Oral) Examination; we have had interest from neurosurgeons who are looking for more opportunities to review their spine cases prior to their boards. If you fall into either category, we encourage you to register for the course. To provide the appropriate faculty-to-participant ratio, space is limited for this course; so, sign up today.

If you are not yet eligible to take your Oral Boards Examination and would like an opportunity to observe the process, limited seating has been added to this course under the tier of **AUDIT** with a registration fee of \$300.



Event Summary

Tuition:

Level Name: Participant - Spine

Pricing Tier: Attending

Tuition: \$750.00

Level Name: Participant - Spine

Pricing Tier: Audit

Tuition: \$300.00

Venue:

Hilton Chicago O'Hare International Airport

O'Hare International Airport

Chicago, Illinois, USA

Phone Number: (855) 680-3239

<https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/chiohhh-hilton-chicago-ohare-airport/>

Language(s):

English

Directly Provided by:



Professional Level Prerequisite(s):

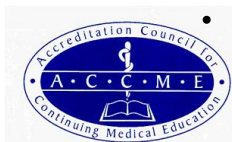
No Prerequisites

Course Prerequisite(s):

No Prerequisites

CME

Continuing Education Credit: 7.00



- AO North America is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Designation Statement - AO North America designates this live educational activity for a maximum of 7.00 **AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

The Continuing Medical Education (CME) mission of AO North America (AONA®) is to provide comprehensive multidisciplinary needs based education to surgeons, fellows, and residents in the specialties of orthopedic, hand, craniomaxillofacial, spine, neurosurgery, and veterinary surgery in the areas of trauma (i.e., operative reduction and fixation), degenerative disorders, deformities, tumors, and reconstruction.

Expected results of AONA's CME activities for surgeons, fellows, and residents are to:

- Increase their knowledge base and surgical skill level
- Improve competence by applying advances of knowledge in patient care in the areas of trauma, degenerative disorders, deformities, tumors, and reconstructive surgical techniques
- Address practice performance gaps by improving management of aspects of traumatic injuries and musculoskeletal disorders (i.e., pre-operative planning to post-operative care)

Learning Objectives

Upon completion, participants should be able to:

- Able to answer questions about cases and case lists in a concise and orderly fashion
- Identify areas for refinement and further study that would be beneficial in exam preparation
- Ready to take the Part II ABOS Oral Exam

Faculty



Cui, Shari - Chairperson

MD, FAAOS
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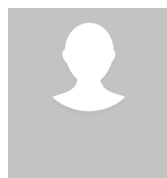
Dr. Shari Cui is clinical faculty of Orthopaedic Spine Surgery at PRISMA Health USC Dept of Orthopaedic Surgery where she engages in clinical practice, research, and academic training of residents and fellows. She specializes in the treatment of adult spinal disorders.



Agochukwu, Uzundu - Lecturer

MD
Professor
Program Director, Orthopaedic Surgery Residency
Co-Director, Spine and Reconstructive Surgery Fellowship
Department of Orthopaedic Surgery
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Dr. Agochukwu is a board-certified orthopaedic surgeon specializing in spine surgery. He graduated from Louisiana State University, and received his medical degree from Indiana University School of Medicine. He completed his internship and residency at Madigan Army Medical Center. During his military service, he was stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina where he had the privilege of taking care of service men and women, to include Army and Air Force elite Special Operation Units. He then completed a spine fellowship in Augusta, Georgia. His clinical interest and research focus centers on minimally invasive spine surgery, motion preservation surgery, as well as deformity and complex spine revision surgery.



Bivona, Louis - Lecturer

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Daffner, Scott - Lecturer

MD
Professor
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Foster, Norah - Lecturer

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Medical Director of Orthopaedic Spine Surgery
Department Chair of Orthopaedics
Orthopaedic Surgery Service Line Director
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France, John - Lecturer

MD
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Dr John France is Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery and Neurosurgery at West Virginia University where he also serves as vice chairman of Orthopaedic surgery and chief of spine surgery. He has been at West Virginia University since 1995 after serving as an Orthopaedic surgeon in the United States Air force at Wilford Hall Medical Center, Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Texas. His undergraduate degree was from the University of Pennsylvania, medical degree for the University of Pittsburgh, he stayed at the University of Pittsburgh as a General Surgery intern then went to the State University of New York in Buffalo for Orthopaedic residency, and finally did his spine fellowship at the University of Colorado. He is currently an active member and serves on and as chair of committees in the AAOS, SRS, CSRS, OTA, and NASS. He began as AO Trauma faculty in 1993 then was involved in AO Spine from its onset in the mid 1990's. His involvement in the AO has been extensive serving on and as chair of various national and international committees as well as serving as faculty for innumerable courses. He is currently chair of the international faculty development committee. His current practice still includes a significant amount of complex trauma in addition to his tertiary spine practice.

**Jackson II, Keith L - Lecturer**

MD

Chief

Orthopaedic Spine Surgery

Eisenhower Army Medical Center

Fort Gordon, Georgia

Dr. Keith Jackson currently serves as the Chief of Spine Surgery at Eisenhower Army Medical Center (DDEAMC) in Augusta, GA. Prior to moving to Augusta, Dr. Jackson served as the Chief of Orthopaedic Surgery at Fort Bragg, NC. He completed his Spine Fellowship at UPMC in 2014 and Orthopaedic Surgery Residency at Dwight David Eisenhower Army Medical Center in 2013. Additionally Dr. Jackson is a graduate of the Georgetown University School of Medicine (2008) and The United States Military Academy (2004).

**Segebarth, Brad - Lecturer**

MD

Director, OrthoCarolina Spine Fellowship Program

Associate Professor Atrium Health MSK

Director, Novant Health Spine Trauma/E-Service Charlotte Region

Charlotte, North Carolina

Agenda

Day 1

Saturday, June 21, 2025 - 07:30 - 16:00 - (includes breaks, travel-time and meals)

Schedule	Title	Moderator	Faculty	Room
07:30 - 08:00	Registration / Breakfast / Welcome / Introduction			
08:00 - 09:30	Case Presentations			
08:00 - 09:30	Individual Case Presentations with Expert Faculty Critique Group 1			
08:00 - 09:30	Individual Case Presentations with Expert Faculty Critique Group 2			
08:00 - 09:30	Individual Case Presentations with Expert Faculty Critique Group 3			
09:30 - 09:45	Break			
09:45 - 12:00	Case Presentations			
09:45 - 12:00	Individual Case Presentations with Expert Faculty Critique Group 1			
09:45 - 12:00	Individual Case Presentations with Expert Faculty Critique Group 2			
09:45 - 12:00	Individual Case Presentations with Expert Faculty Critique Group 3			
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch			
13:00 - 14:30	Case Presentations			
13:00 - 14:30	Individual Case Presentations with Expert Faculty Critique Group 1			
13:00 - 14:30	Individual Case Presentations with Expert Faculty Critique Group 2			
13:00 - 14:30	Individual Case Presentations with Expert Faculty Critique Group 3			
14:30 - 14:45	Break			
14:45 - 16:00	Case Presentations			
14:45 - 16:00	Individual Case Presentations with Expert Faculty Critique Group 1			
14:45 - 16:00	Individual Case Presentations with Expert Faculty Critique Group 2			
14:45 - 16:00	Individual Case Presentations with Expert Faculty Critique Group 3			

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