



27TH ANNUAL  
**Georgia  
Foot & Ankle  
Summit**

**MAY 15-17 | 2025**

INTERCONTINENTAL BUCKHEAD ATLANTA

**PROGRAM GUIDE**

# DEAR COLLEAGUE

It is my pleasure to invite you to attend the **27th Annual Georgia Foot & Ankle Summit** on **May 15-17, 2025** at the **InterContinental Buckhead Atlanta** where you can earn 25 CECH.

Our three-day conference will cover the entire spectrum of foot and ankle care. We have curated a comprehensive program featuring keynote speakers who are at the forefront of groundbreaking research. They will host interactive workshops designed to enhance your practical skills, and give presentations that showcase the latest developments in the field. This year's diverse and engaging agenda will provide valuable insights and opportunities for professional growth.

Back by popular demand, we'll have a fireside chat and case review on Thursday afternoon during happy hour that will offer unique, challenging, and thought-provoking discussion on cases provided by your colleagues. This year's cadaver labs have been re-envisioned to facilitate more individualized training.

Georgia Podiatric Medical Association's annual business meeting will be held on Thursday at 6:00 PM where members will receive an update on the association's activities. On Friday evening you are invited to attend our annual reception and enjoy cocktails and appetizers while connecting with your colleagues and industry members.

You'll also be able to visit our exhibit hall to explore and learn about new innovations, products, and services that you do not want to miss from top industry members. We are grateful for the support our industry partners provide us and the vital role that they play in our community.

You can register online at [www.gapma.com/register](http://www.gapma.com/register). Should you have any questions, please contact us at 404.410.0018 or [info@gapma.com](mailto:info@gapma.com). We hope to see you in May!

All my best,

**Javan Bass, DPM, FACFAS**  
SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

## SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

We gratefully recognize the volunteer members of our scientific committee for their contributions in planning the 27th Annual Georgia Foot & Ankle Summit.

**Javan Bass, DPM**  
CHAIRMAN

**Cheree Eldridge, DPM**

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

## CONFERENCE LOCATION

**InterContinental  
Buckhead Atlanta**  
3315 Peachtree Road NE  
Atlanta, GA 30326

## HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

**InterContinental Buckhead Atlanta**

3315 Peachtree Road NE  
Atlanta, GA 30326

We have reserved a block of rooms at a discounted rate of \$259/night + tax. To make a reservation, call **888.211.9874** and reference the Georgia Podiatric Medical Association or **Book Online**. Reservations must be made by **April 23, 2025** to secure the discounted rate.

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

The Georgia Podiatric Medical Association is approved by the Council on Podiatric Medical Education as a provider of continuing education in podiatric medicine. The Georgia Podiatric Medical Association has approved this activity for a maximum of 25 continuing education contact hours.

## INTENDED AUDIENCE

The intended audience for the conference is podiatric physicians.

## CANCELLATION POLICY

A \$50.00 administrative fee will be charged to any cancellation. Cancellations must be made in writing to [info@gapma.com](mailto:info@gapma.com) by April 16, 2025. No refunds for cancellations will be honored after this date. Refunds are not granted to no-shows.

## COMMERCIAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT

No commercial interest provided financial support for this continuing education activity.

## ATTENDANCE VERIFICATION

In accordance with Council on Podiatric Medical Education requirements, GPMA is required to monitor educational session attendance to verify CECH earned by each attendee.

Badges will be bar-coded with each attendee's personal information. You must scan your badge during the scanning times noted below to earn CECH. A time stamp is recorded each time that you scan and CECH is awarded accordingly.

## THURSDAY, MAY 15

**1st Scan:**

When you arrive at the conference  
Venetian Ballroom

**2nd Scan:**

10:00-10:45 AM Exhibit Hall

**3rd Scan:**

3:00-3:45 PM Exhibit Hall

**4th Scan:**

When you leave the conference  
Venetian Ballroom

## FRIDAY, MAY 16

**1st Scan:**

When you arrive at the conference  
Venetian Ballroom

**2nd Scan:**

10:00-10:45 AM Exhibit Hall

**3rd Scan:**

3:00-3:45 PM Exhibit Hall

**4th Scan:**

When you leave the conference  
Venetian Ballroom

## SATURDAY, MAY 17

**1st Scan:**

When you arrive at the conference  
Venetian Ballroom

**2nd Scan:**

9:00-9:45 AM Exhibit Hall

**3rd Scan:**

When you leave the conference  
Venetian Ballroom

**CECH certificates will be emailed to attendees by June 9, 2025.**

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

REGISTRATION CATEGORY	REGISTERED BY MARCH 1, 2025	REGISTERED AFTER MARCH 1, 2025
GPMA Member	Free	\$49
APMA Member	\$499	\$549
Non-APMA Member	\$1,099	\$1,149
APMA Resident Member	Free	Free
Student	Free	Free

## SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

Thursday, May 15, 2025: 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM (9.5 CECH)  
 Friday, May 16, 2025: 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM (9.5 CECH)  
 Saturday, May 17, 2025: 7:00 AM - 1:45 PM (6 CECH)

25 CECH Total

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon the conclusion of the 27th Annual Georgia Foot & Ankle Summit, podiatric physicians will be able to:

- Develop a comprehensive understanding of various forefoot surgical techniques, including indications, patient selection, and postoperative management, to enhance surgical proficiency and patient outcomes.
- Acquire advanced knowledge and skills in rearfoot surgery, covering complex procedures, surgical decision-making, and the latest advancements in technology, fostering expertise in addressing rearfoot pathologies.
- Explore the intricacies of nerve surgery in podiatry, focusing on diagnosis, surgical interventions, and postoperative care for neuropathic conditions, neuropathy, and nerve entrapments to optimize patient neurologic outcomes.
- Gain specialized knowledge in podiatry dermatology, including the diagnosis and management of dermatological conditions affecting the lower extremities, emphasizing the integration of dermatologic principles into podiatric practice.
- Enhance wound care skills through a comprehensive understanding of wound healing, assessment, and evidence-based interventions, emphasizing a multidisciplinary approach to achieve optimal outcomes in lower extremity wound management.
- Develop a thorough understanding of podiatry-specific billing and coding practices, including documentation requirements, reimbursement guidelines, and compliance standards, to ensure accurate billing and maximize financial viability in podiatric practices.
- Improve radiological interpretation skills in the context of podiatric practice, covering diagnostic imaging modalities relevant to forefoot and rearfoot pathologies, enabling accurate diagnosis and effective communication with radiologists.
- Explore strategies for effective risk management in podiatry, addressing legal and ethical considerations, patient safety, and quality improvement initiatives, empowering practitioners to mitigate risks and enhance the overall safety of patient care.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Receive important member information and stay up to date on issues affecting the practice of podiatric medicine. Follow us today!

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## SCHEDULE

### THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025

7:00-8:00 AM	<b>(1 CECH)</b>	<b>BREAKFAST &amp; LEARN</b> <b>AFO's: An Audit Target</b> – Mike Demi, RN, CPC
8:00-10:00 AM	<b>(2 CECH)</b>	<b>Physician Wellness Panel</b> – Craig Camasta, DPM & William Harris, DPM
10:00-10:45 AM	<b>(No CECH)</b>	<b>BREAK</b> <b>Visit the Exhibit Hall</b>
10:45 AM-12:00 PM	<b>(1.25 CECH)</b>	<b>Coding &amp; Compliance Updates</b> – Jeff Lehrman, DPM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coding &amp; Policy Changes Over the Last Year</li> <li>• No Such Thing as an "Office Visit." E&amp;M Defined!</li> </ul>
12:00-1:15 PM	<b>(1.25 CECH)</b>	<b>LUNCH &amp; LEARN</b>
1:15-3:00 PM	<b>(1.75 CECH)</b>	<b>Trauma</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sports Medicine &amp; the Lateral Ankle – Martina Randall, DPM</li> <li>• Talar Trauma &amp; Regenerative Medicine – Martina Randall, DPM</li> <li>• Lis Franc "To Fix or Fuse" – Jacob Wynes, DPM</li> </ul>
3:00-3:45 PM	<b>(No CECH)</b>	<b>BREAK</b> <b>Visit the Exhibit Hall</b>
3:45-4:45 PM	<b>(1 CECH)</b>	<b>Updates in Foot &amp; Ankle Sports Medicine</b> – Chris Segler, DPM
4:45-6:00 PM	<b>(1.25 CECH)</b>	<b>Fireside Chat</b>
6:00-7:00 PM	<b>(No CECH)</b>	<b>GPMA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING</b>

## SCHEDULE

## FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2025

7:00-8:00 AM	(1 CECH)	<b>BREAKFAST &amp; LEARN</b> <b>Practice Management: Safely Forging a Cash Pay Practice Under a New Landscape</b> – Ira Kraus, DPM
8:00-9:00 AM	(1 CECH)	<b>The Lymphedema Treatment Act (LTA) &amp; Updates</b> – Amy Kibler, DO
9:00-10:00 AM	(1 CECH)	<b>Global Health &amp; Pediatrics</b> – Patrick DeHeer, DPM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lower Extremity Physical Exam in the Pediatric Patient</li> <li>• My Career in International Medicine</li> </ul>
10:00-10:45 AM	(No CECH)	<b>BREAK</b> <b>Visit the Exhibit Hall</b>
		<b>TRACK ONE</b>
10:45 AM-12:00 PM	(1.25 CECH)	<b>Perioperative Medicine</b>
		<b>TRACK TWO</b>
		<b>“Hands-On” Biopsy Workshop</b> – Javan Bass, DPM
12:00-1:15 PM	(1.25 CECH)	<b>LUNCH &amp; LEARN</b>
1:15-3:00 PM	(1.75 CECH)	<b>Nerves</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Common Nerve Pathology – Sequoia DuCasse, DPM</li> <li>• Nerve Decompression in the Diabetic Population – Scott Nickerson, MD</li> <li>• Common Peroneal Nerve – Stephen Barrett, MD</li> <li>• Panel Discussion – Sequoia DuCasse, DPM, Scott Nickerson, MD &amp; Stephen Barrett, MD</li> </ul>
3:00-3:45 PM	(No CECH)	<b>BREAK</b> <b>Visit the Exhibit Hall</b>
3:45-5:00 PM	(1.25 CECH)	<b>Limiting Risk with In-Office Procedures</b> – Aimee Lipkus, JD
5:00-6:00 PM	(1 CECH)	<b>Legislative &amp; Advocacy Updates</b> – William Long, DPM, Ira Kraus, DPM & Rita Rocker
6:00-8:00 PM	(No CECH)	<b>RECEPTION</b> <b>Cocktails &amp; Appetizers</b>

## SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2025

7:00-8:00 AM	<b>(1 CECH) BREAKFAST &amp; LEARN</b> Surgical and Non-Surgical Treatment Algorithm for Non-Healing Wounds Peter Smith, DPM
8:00-9:00 AM	<b>(1 CECH) Updates in Residency &amp; Fellowship Research</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Modified Youngswick Procedure – Steven Harlan, DPM</li> <li>• Reconsidering Tourniquet Pressures – Steven Harlan, DPM</li> <li>• Treatment of a Rare Case of Tarsal Tunnel Syndrome Secondary to the Presence of a Flexor Digitorum Accessorius Longus Muscle - Trinh Doan, DPM</li> <li>• Current Practice of Antibiotic Prophylaxis for Dental Procedures Following Total Ankle Arthroplasty: A Survey Study – Nathan Tirabassi, DPM</li> <li>• Noctambulism Associated Traumatic Injury Following Surgical Intervention of a Hallux Valgus Deformity Requiring Complex Limb Salvage Procedures – Sindhu Srinivas, DPM</li> <li>• Bilateral Achilles Tendon Partial Tear Treated Surgically with Tendon Lengthening and Application of Graft Leading to Unilateral Pain Secondary to Graft Size and Style Placement – Sindhu Srinivas, DPM</li> </ul>
9:00-9:45 AM	<b>(No CECH) BREAK</b> Visit the Exhibit Hall
9:45-11:45 AM	<b>(1 CECH) Practice Management</b> – John Guiliana, DPM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High Impact Communication...Getting Your Patients to Engage, Comply, &amp; Say “Yes”!</li> <li>• Crucial Management Decisions that Affect Your Patient Care... How Economics Play a Role</li> </ul>
11:45 AM-1:45 PM	<b>(2 CECH) LUNCH &amp; LEARN</b> <b>Dermatology Pearls, Tips, and Tricks: How to Incorporate Dermatology into Daily Practice</b> - Naghmeh Lilly Khavari, DPM

## Cadaver Lab

### GEORGIA FOOT & ANKLE SUMMIT ANNUAL CADAVER LAB SATURDAY 8:00-12:00 PM

Surgeons can visit a cadaveric workshop that will include demonstrations and hands-on cadaver lab time to sharpen their surgical skills on a variety of foot and ankle procedures.

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# *Reception*

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FRIDAY  
MAY 16, 2024  
6:00 PM

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## Exhibit Hall Pre-Function



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The Georgia Podiatric Medical Association Political Action Committee (GPMA-PAC) is a non-profit, bipartisan fundraising committee through which podiatrists support state candidates who champion podiatric medicine's issues before the Georgia General Assembly.

GPMA-PAC enables podiatric physicians to be effectively involved where public policy decisions are made that impact how healthcare is administered and regulated in Georgia. By combining resources through contributions to the GPMA-PAC, podiatric physicians gain a stronger voice for the profession, their practices, and the patients they serve.

When you consider the importance of legislation in creating the laws and regulations that govern nearly every aspect of our healthcare system, the importance of supporting those who advocate for podiatric physicians and their patients is clear. Help make sure the voice of podiatric medicine is heard when and where it counts!



Scan the QR code to donate today or visit  
[www.gpma.com/gpmapac](http://www.gpma.com/gpmapac)



The APMA Political Action Committee (APMAPAC) is a nonprofit, bipartisan fundraising committee through which podiatrists support federal candidates who champion podiatric medicine's issues before the US Congress.

Because of the efforts of the APMAPAC and its parent organization, the American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA), the profession has gained a national presence as a political force in Washington, DC.

APMAPAC's role is to support candidates seeking Congressional office in the US House and Senate. The only other legal means for such support is through contributions made directly to a candidate by an individual.

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