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28TH ANNUAL
**Georgia
Foot & Ankle
Summit**

MAY 28-30 | 2026

INTERCONTINENTAL BUCKHEAD ATLANTA

PROGRAM GUIDE

DEAR COLLEAGUE

It is my pleasure to invite you to attend the **28th Annual Georgia Foot & Ankle Summit** on **May 28-30, 2026** at the **InterContinental Buckhead Atlanta** where you can earn 25 CECH.

Our three-day conference will cover the full spectrum of foot and ankle care, featuring a comprehensive program led by keynote speakers at the forefront of groundbreaking research. Through engaging, interactive lectures and evidence-based presentations highlighting the latest advancements in the field, this year's diverse agenda is designed to deliver meaningful insights and support continued 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 during lunch, 12:00-1:15 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. Should you have any questions, please contact us at 404.410.0018 or info@gapma.com. We hope to see you in May!

All my best,

Shahzad Ghori, DPM
SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

We gratefully recognize the volunteer members of our scientific committee for their contributions in planning the 28th Annual Georgia Foot & Ankle Summit.

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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 Foot & Ankle Summit or **Book Online**. Reservations must be made by **May 6, 2026** 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 by April 30, 2026. 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.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon the conclusion of the 28th Annual Georgia Foot & Ankle Summit, podiatric physicians will be able to:

- Understand the structural and functional aspects of the foot and ankle.
- Learn to evaluate and diagnose a wide range of conditions affecting the foot and ankle.
- Gain knowledge of both surgical and non-surgical treatment modalities to address common and complex podiatric conditions.
- Develop effective strategies for patient rehabilitation and post-treatment care to optimize clinical outcomes.
- Apply acquired knowledge through analysis and discussion of real-world clinical case studies.
- Keep up with the latest advancements and evidence-based practices in foot and ankle care.
- Explore the impact of mental health and recognize signs of physician burnout, while learning approaches to foster personal well-being and professional sustainability.
- Evaluate and manage foot and ankle trauma with specific emphasis on injuries involving the talus, including fractures, dislocations, avascular necrosis, and post-traumatic complications.
- Enhance understanding of medical billing, coding, and practice management, including accurate documentation, reimbursement strategies, compliance standards, and optimizing clinical operations for financial sustainability.
- Gain insight into dermatopathology, with an emphasis on the importance of proper biopsy technique for accurate diagnosis and early detection of serious conditions such as skin cancer of the foot and ankle.
- Strengthen knowledge of perioperative management, including patient preparation, surgical risk mitigation, and postoperative care protocols.



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

REGISTRATION CATEGORY	REGISTERED BY MARCH 1, 2026	REGISTERED AFTER MARCH 1, 2026
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 28, 2026:	7:00 AM - 6:15 PM (8.5 CECH)	} 25 CECH Total
Friday, May 29, 2026:	7:00 AM - 6:15 PM (9.75 CECH)	
Saturday, May 30, 2026:	7:00 AM - 2:00 PM (6.75 CECH)	

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 28	FRIDAY, MAY 29	SATURDAY, MAY 30
<p>1st Scan: When you arrive at the conference Venetian Ballroom</p> <p>2nd Scan: 10:00-10:45 AM Exhibit Hall</p> <p>3rd Scan: 3:00-3:45 PM Exhibit Hall</p> <p>4th Scan: When you leave the conference Venetian Ballroom</p>	<p>1st Scan: When you arrive at the conference Venetian Ballroom</p> <p>2nd Scan: 10:00-10:45 AM Exhibit Hall</p> <p>3rd Scan: 3:00-3:45 PM Exhibit Hall</p> <p>4th Scan: When you leave the conference Venetian Ballroom</p>	<p>1st Scan: When you arrive at the conference Venetian Ballroom</p> <p>2nd Scan: 9:00-9:15 AM Venetian Ballroom</p> <p>3rd Scan: When you leave the conference Venetian Ballroom</p>

CECH certificates will be emailed to attendees by June 30, 2026.

SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2026

7:00-8:00 AM	(1 CECH)	BREAKFAST & LEARN
8:00-10:00 AM	(2 CECH)	2026 Updates in Coding & Documentation – Jeff Lehrman, DPM
10:00-10:45 AM	(No CECH)	BREAK Visit the Exhibit Hall
10:45 AM-12:00 PM	(1.25 CECH)	Flaps to Frames – Raquel Sugino, DPM
12:00-1:15 PM	(No CECH)	GPMA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
1:15-3:00 PM	(1.75 CECH)	Infectious Disease & Osteomyelitis – Management & Treatment
3:00-3:45 PM	(No CECH)	BREAK Visit the Exhibit Hall
3:45-4:45 PM	(1 CECH)	State of the State: Resident & Fellow Case Studies
4:45-6:15 PM	(1.5 CECH)	Fireside Chat

SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2026

7:00-8:00 AM	(1 CECH)	BREAKFAST & LEARN Evolving Surgical Pathways: Open Versus Minimally Invasive Approaches Peter Smith, DPM
8:00-10:00 AM	(2 CECH)	Advances in Minimally Invasive Foot & Ankle Surgery Errol Bailey, MD, Ryan Fitzgerald, DPM & John Thompson, DPM
10:00-10:45 AM	(No CECH)	BREAK Visit the Exhibit Hall
10:45 AM-12:00 PM	(1.25 CECH)	Evolving Techniques in Hindfoot & Midfoot Surgery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cole & Midfoot Osteotomy: The One True Tri-Plane Correction – Javan Bass, DPM • MIS Calcaneal Slide – William Harris, DPM • Primary Secondary Tertiary Achilles Modification: A Use Case – William Harris, DPM
12:00-1:15 PM	(1.25 CECH)	LUNCH & LEARN Regenerative Wound Solutions – Alton Johnson, DPM
1:15-3:00 PM	(1.75 CECH)	Forefoot Controversies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st MTPJ Fusion vs. Implant – Philip Basile, DPM & Jeremy Cook, DPM • 2nd Ray Pathology: To Fix the Plantar Plate or Not? Philip Basile, DPM & Jeremy Cook, DPM
3:00-3:45 PM	(No CECH)	BREAK Visit the Exhibit Hall
3:45-4:45 PM	(1 CECH)	Safe Prescribing of Controlled Substances: Regulations, Monitoring & Case Studies
4:45-6:15 PM	(1.5 CECH)	Saving Limbs, Saving Lives: Multidisciplinary Frontlines in Critical Limb Ischemia Olamide Alabi, MD & Karen Bauer, DNP
6:15-8:15 PM	(No CECH)	ALL ATTENDEE & VENDOR RECEPTION Cocktails & Appetizers

SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MAY 30, 2022

7:00-8:00 AM	(1 CECH) BREAKFAST & LEARN
8:00-9:00 AM	(1 CECH) Artificial Intelligence: Current & Emerging Applications in Podiatry
9:00-9:15 AM	(No CECH) BREAK
9:15-10:15 AM	(1 CECH) State of the State: Resident & Fellow Case Studies
10:15-11:15 AM	(1 CECH) Ethics & Professional Responsibility in Podiatric Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mandatory Reporting Requirements: A Case Study & Clinical Review – Abigail Skov, DPM• Good Samaritan Law – Alton Johnson DPM
11:15 AM-12:30 PM	(1.25 CECH) Pediatric Foot & Ankle Disorders: Evaluation & Management – Mitzi Williams, DPM
12:30 -2:00 PM	(1.5 CECH) LUNCH & LEARN Dermatology – Tracey Vlahovic, 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.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Reception

PLEASE JOIN US

Friday
May 29, 2026
6:15 pm

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Exhibit Hall Pre-Function



COCKTAILS AND APPETIZERS WILL BE SERVED



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 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!



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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.

Visit www.apma.org/donate today!

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