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## REGISTER TODAY!



*GLAO 2020 Virtual  
Annual Session*

September 26, 2020

On Saturday, September 26th, 8:00am-12:30pm, the GLAO will provide a valuable, LIVE, engaging, virtual educational experience for the GLAO members! This educational opportunity is **COMPLIMENTARY** for GLAO members! This live webinar, for doctors, will provide 3.5 hours of continuing education (CE) credits and will include the annual Member Business Meeting, 11:45am-12:30pm. Registration is required.

This fall, complimentary staff educational programs will be available to GLAO members, for on-demand use in staff development and training.

[View the Program Details](#)

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*Complimentary CE for GLAO Members!*

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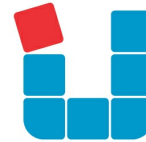
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## GLAO 2021 Annual Session

**MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS & PLAN TO  
ATTEND!**



2021 GLAO Annual Session

October 14-16, 2021  
Hyatt Regency Indianapolis  
Indianapolis, Indiana

We're making plans for this  
in-person program and are  
looking forward to seeing  
you there!

## President's Report

As Corona Summer 2020 winds down and routines beg to find their way back into our lives, even schools are screaming to resume in some manner, shape or form; my fervent prayer is that everyone is and remains healthy during these challenging and uncertain times. I am extremely thankful for the opportunity to provide you with an update on the Great Lakes Association Orthodontists (GLAO).

Our Annual GLAO Meeting will be virtual this year and is scheduled for Saturday, September 26th at 8:00 am. This is a first for the GLAO and our Planning Committee has worked diligently to present a meaningful and informative meeting which includes: aligner therapy face-off, customizable appliances and practice management tips for these trying times. Also, there are several hours of staff recordings that offices can use on demand for training, education, etc. Registration is currently open; CE is available and best of all - it's FREE - did I mention FREE!

[Click Here](#) to read more.



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## AAO Trustee Report

### Our Members Come First

Over the past 18 months, a major area of focus at the AAO has been to make sure that our members are aware of the vast amount of opportunities and resources available to allow each of us to be successful in our orthodontic careers, despite the challenging times.

As devastating as the Covid-19 pandemic has been for the entire globe, it has created a great opportunity for the AAO to develop a new level of communication with our members. Since the middle of March our AAO, the AAO leadership and our dedicated AAO staff have worked tirelessly to provide our members resources for navigating office closures, PPE shortages, office re-opening, government financial relief programs, and many other topics. Several of these initiatives were driven by the AAO Covid-19 Task Force, that is comprised of orthodontists, educators and industry experts.

[Click here](#) to read more.



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## GLAO 2020 - 2021 ELECTION RESULTS

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## 2021 DELEGATES & ALTERNATE DELEGATES

Dr. Aron E. Dellinger (2021-2022)  
Dr. Richard Kulbersh (2021-2022)  
Dr. Richard M. Marcus (2021)  
Dr. Valerie D. Martone (2021)  
Dr. John F. Monticello (2021)  
Dr. J. Martin Palomo (2021)  
Dr. Anthony M. Puntillo (2021)  
Dr. Walter W. Schratz (2021-2022)  
Dr. Drew Smith (2021-2022)  
Dr. Josephine Weeden (2021-2022)

***Congratulations to all those elected!***

***Thank you to all the members who voted!***

## Member News

**2020 GLAO Distinguished Service Award to be presented to  
Dr. Chris Roberts**

The GLAO Distinguished Service Award recognizes a GLAO member who has served the Association in various capacities through the years in an exemplary manner. The Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists is proud to present this year's award to Dr. Christopher A. Roberts of Findlay, OH. This award is presented in recognition and grateful appreciation for his contributions - both to the GLAO as an organization, and to the orthodontic profession in general. His efforts are deeply appreciated by his GLAO friends and colleagues. This award will be presented to Dr. Roberts during the GLAO Member/Business Meeting at the GLAO Virtual Annual Session on Saturday, September 26, from 11:45am-12:30pm. Please plan to join us in recognizing Dr. Roberts and his contributions to the GLAO and the orthodontic profession!



[Click Here](#) to read more.

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## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY RETIRED MEMBERS!

Dr. Jeffrey W. Easton - *Fort Gratiot, MI*  
Dr. David J. Henderson - *Bloomington, IN*  
Dr. Neal M. Kaufman - *Westlake, OH*  
Dr. Donald J. Rinchuse - *Irwin, PA*

### ABO News and Information

## A Required Change to the ABO Scenario-based Clinical Examination

The ABO, like all organizations, has had to weigh options and identify adjustments that best allow them to accomplish their mission, serve orthodontists, and maintain the highest commitment to health and safety. The ABO board, staff, and consultants have been working diligently to identify every viable method of administering the Scenario-Based Oral Clinical Examination in light of so much uncertainty regarding the future of travel and in-person gatherings.

Therefore, in response to COVID restrictions and the safety requirements recommended by the CDC, the American Board of Orthodontics is making a change to the Scenario-Based Clinical Examination. Instead, **all** Scenario Based Clinical Board Exams from now on, will be held at [Scantron Testing Centers](#) throughout the U.S. and Canada. Traveling to the ABO testing center in St. Louis **will no** longer be necessary. Thus, removing barriers that might have prevented the attainment of ABO certification.

This decision was made with serious deliberation and evaluation of multiple options. The goal was to find the best way to balance honoring commitments to exam candidates and maintaining the integrity of the exam, while protecting the health and safety of all involved in the examination administration.

### ABO Written Examination

Due to COVID-19 concerns, our original testing centers offered limited appointment availability, directly impacting our Written Examination originally scheduled on April 7,

2020. Identifying an appropriate solution to this problem was our top priority as this examination is often used as an exit examination for many orthodontic programs.

In response, the examination was postponed to June 5th and 6th, 2020. The administration of the examination was modified to a Live Online Proctored Written Examination, overseen by Scantron and Examity.

[Click here](#) to read more!

## AAO PAC

### Don't Forget Your PAC

It has been a difficult year to be certain.

In addition to fears of COVID, and practices experiencing economic stress, the year has also revealed how vulnerable orthodontic practices are to regulations imposed by the government. COGA, like the ubiquitous mask, is your means of helping to protecting yourself and your fellow orthodontists from unreasonable pressure.

Your PAC fuels the COGA fire.

Not surprisingly, GLAO contributions to the PAC are down. We are all struggling with issues that seem more immediate than advocacy. This is reflected in our total contributions to the PAC- to date the GLAO has contributed just over \$10,000, compared to nearly \$17,000 at the same time last year.

[Click here](#) to read more!

## AAO Foundation

### AAO Foundation Awards Program

[Click here](#) to learn more about the AAO Foundation's largest area of impact, please view the linked video. Dr. Laura Iwasaki, our PARC Chair, discusses the AAO Foundation's Awards Program and how it has impacted the orthodontic specialty.

## AAO Council Reports

*Below are links to the most current reports.*

### Council on Communications

[Report](#) (as of 08-11-20)

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### Council on Governmental Affairs

[Report](#) (as of 05-15-20)

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### Council on Membership, Ethics, and Judicial Concerns



[Report](#) (as of 01-27-20)

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[Report](#) (as of 07-25-19)

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### **Council on Orthodontic Education**

[Report](#) (as of 08-14-20) [COVID Directives Unofficial Actions](#)

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### **Council on Orthodontic Health Care**

[Report](#) (as of 07-31-20)

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### **Council on Orthodontic Practice**

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## **GLAO Information**

### **The Lindsey O. Kesling Orthodontic Resident Scholarship Award**

TP Orthodontics, Inc. in partnership with the GLAO, offers scholarships to residents attending orthodontic programs in the GLAO region. The Lindsey O. Kesling Orthodontic Resident Scholarship Award was created by TP Orthodontics, Inc. to give back to the orthodontic community in a way that helps residents, by easing a small part of their financial burden. Applicants submit an essay on humanitarian / volunteer efforts made by the resident during their years of attendance at their orthodontic residency program. Since 2017, a total of \$31,500 has been awarded.

**The 2020 scholarship recipients will be announced during the GLAO Business Meeting on Saturday, September 26th from 11:45am-12:30pm.** We look forward to recognizing these residents who are making a difference in their communities!

Scholarships are available annually and are due by February 15th of each year. For more information, visit [www.glao.org](http://www.glao.org). Thank you to TP Orthodontics, Inc.!



TP Orthodontics, Inc.



Lindsey O. Kesling

ORTHODONTIC RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

All GLAO members are encouraged to participate in this virtual meeting on Saturday, September 26th, 11:45am-12:30pm. This meeting will include reports from the GLAO and AAO and the induction of new GLAO officers. The 2020 Lindsey O. Kesling Orthodontic Resident Scholarship Award recipients will be announced and the GLAO Distinguished Service Award will be presented to Dr. Chris Roberts. The meeting will follow the conclusion of the complimentary Virtual Annual Session program and [registration](#) is required.

Under the emergency provisions, in compliance with Ohio laws, the GLAO Board of Directors has adopted the "Supplementary Rules of Order for the 2020 Virtual General Assembly of the Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists." View the Supplementary Rules [HERE](#).

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## Call for Award Nominations!

Consider nominating a GLAO colleague for an award! See the GLAO website ([www.glao.org/membership/awards](http://www.glao.org/membership/awards)) for a nomination form and a complete listing of all awards, descriptions and past recipients. Nominations will be accepted by the GLAO office through October 31, 2020.

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## COVID-19 Response

### *To help you stay informed...*

The GLAO has a webpage with links to many resources - [NEWS AND INFORMATION REGARDING COVID-19](#), including links to AAO educational resources, ADA resources, component dental associations and dental boards. Members are encouraged to submit information and resources for the page! Please send to [GLAO@AssnOffices.com](mailto:GLAO@AssnOffices.com).

The AAO is here to help and has information and resources available for members! Visit the [AAO COVID-19 RESOURCES FOR ORTHODONTISTS](#). The webpage is updated daily with resources for practice management and the patient experience in relation to the evolving COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic.

### [New Federal Guidance Issued on Regional Phase Reopening](#)

### *To help you stay connected...*

Members are encouraged to join the [GLAO Members Only Facebook Group](#) where you can share information and resources among your colleagues.

### *To help you in your practice...*

The GLAO Virtual Annual Meeting on 9/26/20 will include a presentation from Dr. Roger Levin: "10 Powerful Strategies to Increase Ortho Production in the COVID-19 Era." This presentation and the virtual annual session program is FREE for GLAO members! [REGISTER TODAY!](#)

This fall, **complimentary staff educational programs** will be available, on-demand, to



## Get Connected

We want you to be informed of resources and opportunities in the GLAO! This information will come to you via email, AAO Mobile App push notifications and the GLAO Members Only Group on Facebook! Be sure to get connected and stay connected by following the instructions below! Get the most out of your GLAO membership!

- Make sure the AAO has your current **email address** on file. We use that email address to stay in touch with you via e-blast like this one.
- Download the **AAO Mobile App!**
  - *Download the iOS Version of the App:*
    - If you have older AAO meeting-only apps on your device, begin by deleting those apps.
    - Open the App Store, search "AAO Member App," then tap FREE\*.
  - *Download the Android Version of the App:*
    - If you have older AAO meeting-only apps on your device, begin by deleting those apps.
    - Visit the Android Play Store, search "AAO Mobile," then tap INSTALL.
- Join the **GLAO Member Only Group on Facebook!**
  - [Click Here](#) and sign into Facebook and join the group. Once we confirm you are a current GLAO member your request will be accepted.



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## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR GLAO MEMBERS:

You can view these opportunities and more by registering for the AAO's Practice Opportunities & Careers online service, which connects registered members seeking orthodontic career opportunities ("seekers") with those who have opportunities to offer ("providers"). Registering as a provider or seeker can be completed in just a few minutes by following these steps:

1. Visit [www.aaoinfo.org/careers](http://www.aaoinfo.org/careers).
2. Click "**Become a Provider**" or "**Become a Seeker**" and log in with your AAO username and password.
3. Complete and submit the user agreement with your electronic signature (e.g., /s/ John Smith).
4. **If you are a provider**, click "Post Opportunity" to enter information about your opportunity. **If you are a seeker**, click "Post Seeker Profile" to create a profile and upload your CV/resume.

If you have questions or need more detailed directions, view frequently-asked questions (FAQs) linked below for providers and seekers or contact Lauren Snowden at [lsnowden@aaortho.org](mailto:lsnowden@aaortho.org) or 800-424-2841, ext. 587.

Provider FAQs: [www.aaoinfo.org/provider-FAQs](http://www.aaoinfo.org/provider-FAQs)

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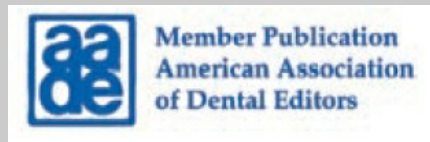
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