



2026 GLAO Annual Session

**October 23-24, 2026
Columbus, Ohio**

The GLAO is celebrating 100 Years!

Join the Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists as we mark a century of excellence at the 2026 GLAO Annual Session in Columbus, Ohio. We invite you and your entire team to be part of this milestone celebration—featuring exceptional education, meaningful connections, and a look toward the future of orthodontics.

There are so many reasons to attend:

- **Learn Together, Grow Together**
The Annual Session is thoughtfully designed for entire orthodontic teams, creating opportunities to learn collaboratively and strengthen your practice.
- **Convenient, Central Location**
Hosted at the Hilton Columbus Downtown, the meeting offers easy access for GLAO members and a cost-effective way to invest in team development close to home.
- **Exceptional Education**
Our dynamic program will explore the past, present, and future of orthodontics—equipping you and your team with practical insights to enhance skills and drive practice growth.
- **Continuing Education Opportunities**
Earn up to 8.0 hours of Continuing Education for both doctors and staff. Discover our outstanding speakers and sessions at GLAO.org.
- **Innovation & Industry Insights**
Engage with leading partners through industry presentations showcasing the latest products, services, and advancements shaping orthodontics today.

- **Interactive Exhibit Hall**
Open Friday and Saturday, the Exhibit Hall offers hands-on access to cutting-edge solutions and the chance to connect directly with company representatives.
- **Opportunities for Residents & Educators**
Residents can participate in an interactive Residents' Forum, while faculty are invited to an Educators Meet-Up to exchange ideas and discuss key topics.
- **Wellness & Balance**
Start your Saturday with optional gentle yoga and mindful reflection.
- **All-Inclusive Experience**
Registration includes continental breakfasts, breaks, and lunches on both Friday and Saturday and the 100th Anniversary Celebration Event.
- **Centennial Celebration Event**
Our Friday evening 100th Anniversary Celebration will be held at the North Market—a historic, 145-year-old marketplace featuring Ohio's best independent merchants. This private GLAO event promises a memorable evening of food, fun, and celebration.

**Celebrate the past. Embrace the present.
Shape the future.**

We look forward to welcoming you and your team to Columbus this October for this unforgettable milestone event.

Register Online Today at www.GLAO.org!

Thank You to our Partners for their Support!

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The Speakers



Dr. Lucia Cevidanes



Dr. Farah Kar



Dr. Anthony Mair



Ms. Tracy Martin



Ms. Tracy Moawad



Dr. Rick O'Neil
Industry Speaker



Dr. Antonino Secchi
Industry Speaker



Mr. Jeff Slater



Dr. Audrey Yoon



Industry Speaker

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The Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists designates this activity for up to 8.0 continuing education credits.

Schedule-at-a-Glance

Thursday, October 22

9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Ohio State Lobby Day
12:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Registration Open / Exhibitor Set Up
12:00 pm – 4:00 pm	GLAO Board Meeting

Friday, October 23

7:30 am – 4:00 pm	Registration / Exhibits Open
7:30 am – 8:30 am	*Continental Breakfast in Exhibit Hall
8:30 am – 9:30 am	DOCTOR & TEAM SESSION
8:30 am – 9:30 am	Dr. Farah Kar: “Your Optics, Your Brand, Your Vibe”
9:30 am – 10:00 am	Networking & Beverage Break in Exhibit Hall
10:00 pm – 12:00 pm	DOCTOR SESSIONS
10:00 am – 11:00 am	Dr. Audrey Yoon: “Precision Expansion: Custom 3D-Printed MARPE for Predictable Skeletal Outcomes with Minimal Complications”
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Dr. Audrey Yoon: “Non-Surgical Solutions for Facial Asymmetry in Non-Growing Patients: Precision Strategies for Functional and Structural Balance”
10:00 am – 12:00 pm	STAFF SESSIONS
10:00 am – 11:00 am	Ms. Tracy Martin: “The Modern Patient Experience: How Today’s Teams Build Trust, Momentum, and Starts”
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Dr. Farah Kar: “The Unicorn Factor: Marketing in 2026”
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	*Lunch in Exhibit Hall
12:15 pm – 1:15 pm	Residents’ Forum: <i>Sponsored by: TP Orthodontics, Inc.</i>
12:15 pm – 1:15 pm	Indiana Association of Orthodontists Meeting
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	DOCTOR & TEAM INDUSTRY PRESENTATIONS
1:30 pm – 2:00 pm	INDUSTRY SPEAKER – TP Orthodontics, Inc.
	SPEAKER TBD
2:00 pm – 2:30 pm	INDUSTRY SPEAKER – Solventum
	Dr. Rick O’Neil: “The Complete Orthodontic Experience: Simple. Esthetic. Perfection.”
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Networking & Beverage Break in Exhibit Hall
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	DOCTOR & TEAM SESSION
	Mr. Jeff Slater: “Marketing Gets You Seen, AI-Powered Branding Gets You Chosen”
4:00 pm – 5:30 pm	GLAO Annual Member Business Meeting
7:00 pm - 9:00pm	* GLAO 100th Anniversary Celebration , North Market Downtown Columbus

Saturday, October 24

7:00 am – 7:45 am	** Gentle Yoga & Mindful Reflection - Melissa Sherman, Instructor
7:30 am – 1:30 pm	Registration / Exhibits Open
7:30 am – 8:30 am	*Continental Breakfast in Exhibit Hall
7:30 am – 8:30 am	* Educators Meet Up
8:30 am – 10:30 am	DOCTOR & TEAM SESSIONS
8:30 am – 9:30 am	Dr. Lucia Cevitanes: “Agentic AI and Chatbots: How Are They Changing Orthodontic Practice?”
9:30 am – 10:30 am	Dr. Anthony Mair: “Complex Cases - Should We Do This or That?”
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Networking & Beverage Break in Exhibit Hall
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	DOCTOR & TEAM INDUSTRY PRESENTATION
11:00 pm – 12:00 pm	INDUSTRY SPEAKER – GC Orthodontics
	Dr. Antonino Secchi: “Simplifying Excellence in Treatment Mechanics”
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	*Lunch in Exhibit Hall
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	GLAO Past President’s Luncheon - invitation only
1:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Exhibitor Teardown
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm	DOCTOR & TEAM SESSIONS
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Ms. Tracy Moawad: “The Future-Ready Orthodontic Practice: Winning the Next Generation of Patients, Doctors, and Teams”
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Ms. Tracy Martin: “Raising the Bar: What the Next Era of Orthodontics Requires from Doctors and Teams”



Visit www.GLAO.org
or scan this code
to register!

* registration required; no additional fee to participate
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Industry Presentations do not offer CE credit through ADA CERP and are designed to provide an in-depth look at products and services available.

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Online Registration is Now Open!

Visit www.GLAO.org to Register!

Checklist

for the 2026 GLAO Annual Session

- REGISTER FOR THE MEETING:**
Submit your online registration and payment by September 17th to receive the discounted rate!
Confirmation will come to you via e-mail. Your name badge can be picked up at the meeting registration desk and must be worn for entrance to all events. The Annual Session will be held in Tower 401, Lower Level, of the Hilton Columbus Downtown.
Registration includes:
Admission to all doctor/staff/team sessions (up to 8.0 hrs. CE credits); Exhibit Hall access; continental breakfasts, lunches and beverage breaks on Friday and Saturday; admission to the Friday evening celebration event at The North Market.
- MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATIONS:**
Make your hotel reservations at the **Hilton Columbus Downtown**. To receive the discounted group rate, make your reservation through the GLAO room block online through our personalized group reservation site (link found at www.GLAO.org) or by calling 614-384-8600 and reference GLAO. Rates are \$229/night plus tax for single/double, \$239 for triple, \$249 for quad occupancy, when reserving through the GLAO room block. Guest rooms include complimentary WiFi access in the guest rooms. **Discounted rates are only available until October 1, 2026 or until the room block is full.**
- MAKE YOUR TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS:**
The Hilton Columbus Downtown is located in the heart of downtown Columbus and easily accessible to most members in the Great Lakes region. It is only 7 miles from John Glenn Columbus International Airport (CMH). Self-parking and valet parking is available at the Hilton.
- OHIO MEMBERS: REGISTER FOR OHIO LOBBY DAY:**
Join the AAO Advocacy Team for the 4th Annual Ohio State Lobby Day on 10/22 at the Ohio Statehouse in Columbus. For more information and to register, please visit <https://aaortho.quorum.us/event/2026OhioSLD/> or email advocacy@aaortho.org.
- QUESTIONS:** Contact the GLAO office at GLAO@AssnOffices.com or 877-274-6420.