

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Three Rivers and Five Elements:
A Confluence of Traditions
and Science.

2025 MEDICAL ACUPUNCTURE SYMPOSIUM

MARCH 27-30, 2025
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Dear Colleagues and Friends

You are cordially invited to attend the 2025 AAMA Annual Symposium, March 27-30, 2025, at the Omni William Penn Hotel in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The theme of this year's meeting is **“Three Rivers and Five Elements: A Confluence of Traditions and Science.”**

The outstanding program focuses on a diverse array of topics that are of interest to health care professionals engaged in, or interested in, incorporating medical acupuncture in their practice. The program includes morning plenary presentations with afternoon concurrent workshops on relevant topics, including:

- Upper Extremity Pain
- Neuroanatomic Approach to Electroacupuncture for Hip-Spine Syndrome
- Chronic Low Back Pain
- Introduction to Korean Hand Therapy
- Saam Acupuncture Tradition
- Japanese-style Acupuncture
- Integrative Sleep Techniques
- Acupuncture Research
- And More...

A number of popular annual events are back for this meeting. These include the Founders Lecture and Poster Presentation session along with plenty of opportunities for networking with colleagues and exhibit company personnel.

Thursday, prior to the Symposium's start, offers three optional Pre-Symposium Workshops. Choose one for a hands-on, in-depth session on Introduction to Korean Hand Therapy; Cosmetic Facial Acupuncture: Bridging Tradition and Modern Science. A Holistic Approach to Beauty and Wellness; or Electroacupuncture for Hip-Spine Syndrome: A Neuroanatomical Approach.

We look forward to a responsibly held in-person meeting and warmly encourage your participation. We hope you and your colleagues will make plans to attend.

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2025 Symposium Committee Chair

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INTRODUCTION

PURPOSE

The American Academy of Medical Acupuncture has designed the 2025 Symposium to meet an expressed need to explore the mechanisms of acupuncture from several different perspectives and to examine current scientific research in the field of medical acupuncture. It will address topics suggested by practitioners and stress a variety of approaches to practical clinical problems.

This symposium will present multi-faceted approaches for understanding, appreciating, and applying acupuncture in today's practice. It will expand awareness of the scientific research into the effects of acupuncture, while enhancing understandings of classical wisdom. It will help clinicians apply the medicine both towards direct patient care, and in overcoming care delivery challenges.

The 2025 Symposium provides opportunities for attendees to —

- Expand awareness of scientific research into the effects of acupuncture;
- Focus on clinically relevant treatment approaches that can easily be integrated into clinical practice;
- Review a variety of approaches for the treatment of common conditions seen in clinical practice;
- Participate in networking with leaders, peers and friends who practice medical acupuncture.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The Symposium is designed for instruction and training of health care professionals interested in, or already practicing, medical acupuncture. Medical practitioners with no experience as well as those with extensive backgrounds in acupuncture will find the program useful to their medical practices.

The Pre-Symposium workshops are intended to provide a more concentrated learning experience where faculty can spend the time focusing on a topic in greater depth, and with more time for practical examples from clinical experiences.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION ACCREDITATION

The American Academy of Medical Acupuncture is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The American Academy of Medical Acupuncture designates this live activity (Symposium) for a maximum of **17.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™]**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

The American Academy of Medical Acupuncture designates this live activity: Pre-Symposium Workshops I & II – for a maximum of **7.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™]** and Pre-Symposium Workshop III for a maximum of **4 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™]**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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SYMPOSIUM OBJECTIVES

SYMPOSIUM LEARNING OBJECTIVES AND DESIRED OUTCOMES

After attending the Symposium, participants will be able to —

- Identify barriers and opportunities for the incorporation of acupuncture into existing medical practices, and recognize critical points in developing new practice models for acupuncture delivery;
- Recognize acupuncture's role in treatment options for acute and chronic pain syndromes of many types, and apply to various clinical cases;
- Discuss the modern evidence base for acupuncture's mechanisms of action, and recognize how these mechanisms interface with classical and modern treatment strategies.

CORE REFRESHER COURSE

The Academy will offer the Core Refresher Course on Wednesday, March 26, 2025 prior to the start of the Symposium. The Core Refresher Course was introduced in 2022 as a companion to the Review Course and is ideal for the seasoned practitioner wishing to brush up on core principles and points. The Core Refresher Course will meet from 8:00 am – 5:30 pm on Wednesday, March 26th. Registration for the Core Refresher Course is separate from the Symposium registration. Contact the AAMA office for registration materials or go to www.medicalacupuncture.org and click on Core Refresher Course Registration/Information.



THURSDAY | MARCH 27, 2025

PRE-SYMPOSIUM WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

7:30 am – 5:00 pm

PRE-SYMPOSIUM WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

7:30 am – 8:00 am

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:00 am – 5:30 pm

CONCURRENT PRE-SYMPOSIUM WORKSHOPS I & II

10:00 am – 10:10 am

REFRESHMENT BREAK

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:30 pm – 5:45 pm

CONCURRENT PRE-SYMPOSIUM WORKSHOPS III

3:30 pm – 3:45 pm

REFRESHMENT BREAK

5:45 pm

EVENING ON YOUR OWN

PRE-SYMPOSIUM WORKSHOPS

PRE-SYMPOSIUM WORKSHOP I

8:00 am to 5:30 pm

COSMETIC FACIAL ACUPUNCTURE: BRIDGING TRADITION AND MODERN SCIENCE. A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO BEAUTY AND WELLNESS

Shellie Goldstein, DAOM, LAc. This workshop will allow attendees to explore the expanding role of acupuncture for improving facial aesthetics using minimally invasive techniques grounded in Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM). This session examines ways in which cosmetic facial acupuncture not only enhances appearance but also contributes to systemic health and well-being. This session will review common patient concerns such as forehead and periorbital wrinkles, cheek firmness loss, nasolabial folds, marionette lines, and jawline laxity.

Highlights Include —

- Practical learning opportunities to diminish upper-face fine lines and enhance mid-face contour.
- Integration of ancient TCM principles with contemporary evidence-based approaches to optimize treatment outcomes.

Join us for an immersive session designed to deepen understanding and proficiency in cosmetic facial acupuncture. This session is tailored for medical acupuncture professionals interested in effective and holistic approaches to facial rejuvenation.

Learning Objectives. At the end of this workshop, attendees will be able to —

- Recognize the integration of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) principles with modern research as it applies to cosmetic facial acupuncture;
- Identify and address common patient concerns such as forehead and periorbital wrinkles, cheek and jawline laxity, nasolabial folds, marionette lines, skin dyschromia, and more;
- Explore practical clinical techniques with live demonstration and hands-on clinical practice to minimize upper-face fine lines and enhance mid-face contour;
- Discuss safety considerations and potential benefits of cosmetic facial acupuncture compared to traditional aesthetic treatments;
- Explore the holistic approach of merging ancient TCM wisdom with evidence-based practices as it applies to cosmetic acupuncture to promote facial aesthetics and overall well-being.

PRE-SYMPOSIUM WORKSHOP II

8:00 am to 5:30 pm

KOREAN HAND THERAPY (KHT) MICROSYSTEM FOR CLINICAL PRACTICE AND SELF-CARE: AN INTRODUCTION TO CORRESPONDENCE, BASIC, AND MERIDIAN THERAPIES

Barbara de la Torre, MD, FAAMA. Hand acupuncture microsystems offer several advantages to patients and practitioners, namely accessible treatment at one's fingertips. This 1-day workshop serves as an introduction to Korean Hand Therapy (KHT), which is guaranteed to be "hands-on," and each attendee receives a complimentary KHT Travel Kit. The course includes a review of the KHT correspondence reflex system, introduction to KHT micromeridian therapy, and selected basic prescriptions for pain and functional problems.

Attendees will learn projected maps on the hand, methods of locating correspondence points, correct use of KHT instruments, noninvasive and needling methods, and case examples. The fourteen micromeridians and front Mu points will be introduced using KHT classification terminology to understand the location and direction of channels on the hand and to assist with developing basic prescription treatments. Lastly, attendees will learn an introduction to KHT moxibustion. Prerequisite: Attendees should be familiar with the trajectories of body acupuncture channels.

Learning Objectives. At the end of this workshop, attendees will be able to —

- Identify KHT's value as a microsystem, which is applicable for diverse patient populations in both clinical and home environments;
- Discuss evidence-based research, safety precautions, indications, and practical methods to integrate KHT into clinical practice;
- Use the correspondence reflex system for pain and acute functional problems;
- Locate the fourteen micromeridians on the hand as a method for projecting body acupuncture treatments;
- Devise treatments as stand-alone treatments or as complementary therapy.

PRE-SYMPOSIUM WORKSHOP III

1:30 pm-5:45 pm

ELECTROACUPUNCTURE FOR HIP-SPINE SYNDROME: A NEUROANATOMICAL APPROACH

Workshop led by Joseph Walker, III, MD, DABMA and Josh Margolis, LAc, DOMTP.

This 4-hour workshop will provide an in-depth exploration of neuroanatomically based electroacupuncture as a treatment modality for hip-spine syndrome, a condition characterized by nonspecific back pain that may originate from either the hip or the lumbar spine. Participants will gain insights into the neuroanatomical pathways and diagnostic criteria essential for identifying this syndrome. The session will also cover the mechanisms and application of electroacupuncture, focusing on its efficacy in managing musculoskeletal issues. Through a combination of lectures, case studies, and hands-on practice, attendees will learn how to implement electroacupuncture techniques to improve patient outcomes.

Learning Objectives. At the end of this workshop, attendees will be able to —

- Identify the neuroanatomical pathways involved in hip-spine syndrome and their clinical significance;
- Discuss the diagnostic criteria and clinical presentation of hip-spine syndrome;
- Explain the principles and mechanisms of electroacupuncture in the treatment of musculoskeletal disorders;
- Apply neuroanatomically based electroacupuncture techniques to treat patients with nonspecific back pain associated with hip-spine syndrome;
- Evaluate the effectiveness of electroacupuncture interventions through patient case studies and clinical outcomes;
- Develop a comprehensive treatment plan incorporating electroacupuncture for patients with hip-spine syndrome.



AAMA 2025 ANNUAL MEDICAL ACUPUNCTURE SYMPOSIUM – SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 2025

— Symposium Chair —
Stephanie Cheng, MD, FAAMA

7:00 am – 5:30 pm

REGISTRATION

7:00 am – 8:00 am

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST WITH EXHIBITORS

8:00 am – 8:10 am

OPENING AND WELCOME

2025 Annual AAMA Symposium

*Joseph Audette, MD
AAMA President
Richard Elliot, DABMA
Symposium Vice Chair*

8:10 am – 8:30 am

Chair Welcome Lecture

*Stephanie Cheng, MD, FAAMA
Symposium Chair*

8:30 am – 9:30 am

An Overview of the Saam Acupuncture Tradition

Toby Daly, PhD, LAc

9:30 am – 10:00 am

REFRESHMENT BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS

10:00 am – 11:00 am

Unified Approach to Upper Extremity Pain

Norman Zavela, MD, FAAMA

11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Back to Basics: Hara Diagnosis – Reflection on the Sea. Science and Practice of Japanese Structural Based Acupuncture

Joseph Audette, MD

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

GROUP LUNCHEON

1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

CONCURRENT CLINICAL WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOP A

The Twelve Channels of the Saam Acupuncture Tradition

Toby Daly, PhD, LAc

WORKSHOP B

Unified Approach to Upper Extremity Pain
Supplemented with Ultra Acupuncture

Norman Zavela, MD, FAAMA

WORKSHOP C

Back to Basics: Japanese Palpation-based Acupuncture

Seetal Preet K. Cheema, MD

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm

REFRESHMENT BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

CONCURRENT CLINICAL WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOP A (REPEAT)

The Twelve Channels of the Saam Acupuncture Tradition

Toby Daly, PhD, LAc

WORKSHOP B (REPEAT)

Unified Approach to Upper Extremity Pain
Supplemented with Ultra Acupuncture

Norman Zavela, MD, FAAMA

WORKSHOP C (REPEAT)

Back to Basics: Japanese Palpation-based Acupuncture

Seetal Preet K. Cheema, MD

6:15 pm – 7:30 pm

OPENING RECEPTION

SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2025

6:30 am – 7:30 am

EARLY MORNING EXERCISE

7:00 am – 8:00 am

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST WITH EXHIBITORS

8:00 am – 9:00 am

Introduction to Hormone Optimization: Nagano +
French Energetic-style Acupuncture Edition

William Clearfield, DO, FAAMA

9:00 am – 10:00 am

Resident Education in Sleep Techniques (REST)

Program: Content, Implementation and Evaluation

Melanie Gold, DO, DABMA

10:00 am – 10:30 am

REFRESHMENT BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS

10:30 am – 11:30 am

Important Acupuncture Articles

Moderator – Peter Dorsher, MD

Panel – Barbara de la Torre, MD, FAAMA;

Teresa Esterle, MD, DABMA; Louis J. Kazal, Jr, MD;

and Michelle Loy, DABMA, FAAP

11:30 am – 12:00 pm

AAMA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

(Voting Members of the Academy Only)

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

CONCURRENT CLINICAL WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOP A

Refresh & Energize with integrative Sleep Techniques (REST):
An Experiential Workshop to Enhance Physicians' Sleep

Melanie Gold, DO, DABMA

Michelle J. Bombacie, MS, LAc

and Rachel Groth, MPH, MSW

WORKSHOP B

Hormone Optimization in Acupuncture Practice

William Clearfield, DO, FAAMA

WORKSHOP C

Integrating Acupuncture and Manual Medicine:
After 25 Years of Further Development

Dan Bensky, DO

and Jay Sandweiss, DO, FAAMA

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm

REFRESHMENT BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

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6:15 pm – 7:30 pm

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

AND COCKTAIL RECEPTION

SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 2025

6:30 am – 7:30 am

EARLY MORNING EXERCISE

7:00 am – 8:00 am

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:00 am – 9:00 am

Mechanism and Treatment Prediction
of Acupuncture Efficacy in Chronic Pain

Richard Harris, PhD

9:00 am – 9:45 am

JOSEPH M. HELMS FOUNDER'S LECTURE

Insights From a Decade as Editor-in-Chief
of *Acupuncture in Medicine*

David Coggin-Carr, MD, PhD, MSc, FAAMA

9:45 am – 10:00 am

REFRESHMENT BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

CONCURRENT CLINICAL WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOP A

Five Element Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) Dietary
Therapy: Culinary Medicine Pearls Applied to Clinical Care

Michelle Loy, MD, DABMA, FAAP

WORKSHOP B

Clinical Application of Acupuncture, Chinese Herbal

Medicine, and Manual Therapies for Chronic Low Back Pain

Louis A. Kazal, Jr, MD, FAAP

12:00 pm

SYMPOSIUM ADJOURNS

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

ABMA BOARD CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION

(Check-in by 12:30 pm)

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IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR THE
EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION FEES,
REGISTRATION FORM AND PAYMENT
IN FULL MUST BE RECEIVED BY
JANUARY 24, 2025.**

We invite attendees to join us in-person at the Omni William Penn Hotel located at 530 William Penn Place, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219.

In-person attendees will be provided daily continental breakfast, lunch on Friday, and refreshment breaks each day. Additionally, in-person attendees are invited to the networking receptions on both Friday and Saturday evenings. In-person attendees will also have access to hands-on needling workshops when available.

A virtual option is also available for those unable to attend in person. The plenary sessions will be available via livestream through the meeting app and all session recordings available for on-demand viewing following the meeting. On-demand recordings will be available until September 30, 2025.

The pre-symposium workshops are available in-person only and not part of the virtual or on-demand options.

Please complete the enclosed registration form and return it with your payment today. Please be sure to indicate your preference for the Pre-Symposium Workshop. Space for these sessions is limited and will be assigned strictly on a first come, first served basis. Registration confirmations will be sent within two weeks of receipt.

To register for the 2025 AAMA Symposium, please go on-line at www.medicalacupuncture.org or use the registration form enclosed and return it, with your check made payable to AAMA or return it by fax if paying by credit card.

**Use one Registration Form per Attendee.
You may also register online at www.MedicalAcupuncture.org.**

CANCELLATION & REFUNDS

Requests for in-person cancellation will default to the Virtual Experience. However, if you wish to cancel your participation entirely, please indicate so and a \$75 handling fee will be assessed for total cancellation if received by March 14, 2025. No refunds will be issued for cancellations received after March 14, 2025. Any cancellation must be received in writing to the AAMA office.

TUITION

Tuition includes continental breakfasts each day, lunch on Friday, networking receptions on both Friday and Saturday evenings.

PRE-SYMPOSIUM WORKSHOPS

Workshops I & II – Fee is \$295 each
Workshop III – Fee is \$195 each

SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION FEES

**Early Bird Registration
(Available for AAMA Members only)
Received by January 24, 2025**

AAMA Fellow and Full Members	\$720
AAMA Affiliate Members	\$820
Licensed Acupuncturists*	\$820
Non-Member Physicians**	\$970
Medical Students, Residents and Active Military (Must submit proof of status.)	\$510

**Regular Registration
Received by February 28, 2025**

AAMA Fellow and Full Members	\$770
AAMA Affiliate Members	\$870
Licensed Acupuncturists*	\$870
Non-Member Physicians**	\$970
Medical Students, Residents and Active Military (Must submit proof of status.)	\$560

**Late Registration
Received after February 28, 2025**

AAMA Fellow and Full Members	\$820
AAMA Affiliate Members	\$920
Licensed Acupuncturists*	\$920
Non-Member Physicians**	\$1,020
Medical Students, Residents and Active Military (Must submit proof of status.)	\$610

Licensed Acupuncturists*

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Non-Members**

For non-member physicians, registration fee includes the cost of one year of AAMA

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EVENT APP

In a commitment to make a better impact on the environment, the 2025 AAMA Symposium will again be utilizing an event app platform, Eventmobi, during the meeting. The event app will contain information and materials for in-person participants including program/schedule, access to documents and handout materials and session handouts/slides. The event app allows communication among attendees and speakers and contains exhibitor resources and contacts as well. The app will allow livestream of plenary presentations during the meeting and will house the recordings of sessions following the meeting. All registrants will have access to the app and recordings until September 30, 2025.

SYMPOSIUM SYLLABUS

PRINT VERSION AVAILABLE. In a commitment to make a better impact on the environment, the Academy Board has arranged to have the Syllabus available in electronic format (via event app) as well as available to download in advance of the meeting. The electronic version will be provided to all delegates. If you wish to purchase Print Syllabus, there is a \$45 fee. At the meeting, any available print versions will be available for purchase while supplies last.

EXHIBITS

Each year time is set aside during the Symposium for attending physicians to meet with suppliers to the medical profession, particularly practicing physician acupuncturists.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

The Academy provides a Poster Presentation opportunity for members to present interesting clinical cases or clinical research. Poster Presenters are eligible for cash prizes for the best poster presentations. For information on this opportunity and the requirements for

participation, go to www.medicalacupuncture.org or contact the Academy Offices. See the POSTER Presentation Guidelines.

RESEARCH PAPER COMPETITION

The Academy sponsors a Research Paper Competition in conjunction with the Symposium. A session is scheduled where the winning papers will be announced and where the First Place paper will be presented. For information on this opportunity and the requirements for participation, go to www.medicalacupuncture.org or contact the Academy Offices.

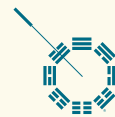
BOARD CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION

**Sunday, March 30, 2025
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm**

Offered by the American Board of Medical Acupuncture. Available only for those who have applied for Board Certification and have been found "Board Eligible." Separate reservation is required. Contact the AAMA office.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE AAMA

The purpose of the American Academy of Medical Acupuncture® is to promote the integration of concepts from traditional and modern forms of acupuncture with Western medical training and thereby synthesize a more comprehensive approach to health care. See membership information and applications at www.medicalacupuncture.org.



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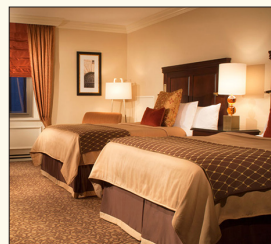


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USE ONE REGISTRATION FORM PER ATTENDEE (Fill out form completely. Please print information clearly.)

Full Name _____ Telephone _____
 Street Address / Suite / Apartment Number (if applicable) _____ Email _____
 City / State / Zip Code _____

SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION
EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION DISCOUNT ENDS ON JANUARY 24, 2025. REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THAT DATE ARE CHARGED THE HIGHER REGISTRATION FEE LEVELS AS INDICATED BELOW.

Payment in full is required prior to admittance and must accompany this form to qualify for advance registration fees. The final program and name badges will be available at the AAMA onsite registration desk.

CHOOSE ONE* In-Person Virtual**

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