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October Updates

NOA's New Look!

Hey <<First Name>>,

We're excited to unveil the [Nevada Optometric Association's \(NOA\) new website](#) and email experience, designed for a faster, easier and more connected member experience.

With a fresh design and streamlined access to both NOA and American Optometric Association (AOA) resources, you'll find everything you need to stay informed and engaged—all in one place.

You may now access exclusive, members-only content and resources by using your **AOA username and password**.

- Need help logging in? [Retrieve your username](#) via email or [find your account](#) using our advanced search.
- Still stuck? [Contact us](#) anytime for assistance.

NEW! NOA Virtual CE Series Kicks Off: AMD Management

Join us for the first session in our new Virtual CE Series, AMD: From Dry to Wet —Diagnosis and Management, from **6-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 12**.

Our lecturer **Mohammad Rafieetary, O.D., FAAO, FORS**, will cover the clinical and diagnostic features of AMD across all stages, including risk factors, pathophysiology and management strategies.

[ENROLL](#)





NOA Leaders Advance Optometry's Priorities on Capitol Hill

In late September, NOA leaders—Steve Girisgen, O.D., (NOA president), Ken Kopolow, O.D., (NOA president-elect), Steve Nyugen, O.D., (NOA secretary-treasurer), and Jon Christiansen, O.D., (Legislative Committee member)—[joined nearly 600 doctors of optometry and optometry students in more than 280 meetings with members of Congress.](#) Their united message advanced optometry's top federal priorities, including:

- Passing the Dental and Optometric Care (DOC) Access Act and Vision Lab Choice Act to stop harmful vision benefit middlemen (VBM) practices.
- Fixing declining Medicare pay rates and addressing Medicare Advantage issues.
- Preserving veterans' access to essential eye and vision care.

Nevada's delegation met with Reps. Mark Amodei, Steven Horsford, Susie Lee and Dina Titus, as well as Sens. Catherine Cortez Masto and Jacky Rosen. NOA leaders also participated in an AOA-PAC event supporting Reps. Horsford and Titus.

[Stay tuned for details on AOA on Capitol Hill 2026 and learn how you can get involved in advocacy!](#)

Join in Supporting Colleague Dr. Timothy Moore's Wife, Julie Moore and Family

Our dear friends Dr. Tim and Mrs. Julie Moore of Reno are facing an incredibly difficult journey. Julie was recently diagnosed with a rare and aggressive cancer—pseudomyxoma peritonei and appendiceal carcinoma—and has undergone major surgery. She now faces 24 weeks of chemotherapy.

The Moores are deeply involved in our community and always giving to others—now it's our turn to give back. [Please consider making a donation to help ease their financial burden so they can focus on Julie's recovery.](#)

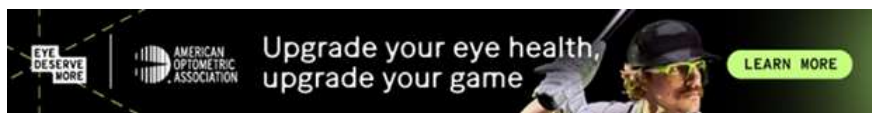
Tell us about your experiences with



exclusions

The NOA Board seeks more information about possible patterns of unfair and potentially illegal exclusions of doctors of optometry by health plans. NOA members can help this effort [by completing a brief NOA survey and, if applicable, sharing any additional information related to plan discrimination against optometry](#) that you have experienced or are aware of. This fall, NOA will report back to membership on key findings and ask for feedback on new ways we can mobilize to fight back for our patients, our practices and our profession.

[TAKE SURVEY](#)



Join our Public Education Efforts to Encourage People to Get their In-Person Eye Exam

This year, the AOA and affiliates have joined forces with professional baseball player, Kike Hernández, and past AOSA President Emily Benson, O.D., to reinforce how an in-person eye exam changed his game. Check out his story and find materials you can share in your community, including social media videos, content and posts.

[CLICK HERE](#)

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