The 2017 Summer Symposium is jointly provided by Medical Education Resources. This activity has been designed to meet the educational needs of ophthalmologist involved in the care of patients.

Program Overview

The Summer Symposium provides solid scientific and practice management information to clinicians, researchers, and other professionals in the field. The Summer Symposium has become the apex of WIO’s annual activities for its unique blend of medical education and leadership training designed specifically for female ophthalmologists. It increases speaker opportunities for women, provides a comfortable woman-to-woman learning environment for the latest scientific breakthroughs, and fosters relationships between women who have faced and overcome common barriers.

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Credit Designation

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Educational Objectives

- Apply research findings and implement techniques discussed in the poster session into their practices.
- Develop methods to communicate effectively with peers and patients.
- Incorporate new glaucoma devices that will improve patient management. Appraise when and how to perform various techniques for angle-based surgery for glaucoma, incorporate new intra-operative devices to assist in angle surgery.
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- Improve interpersonal skills and relationships, especially with patients.
- Define “crucial conversations” and how to handle a crucial conversation when stakes are high?
- Identify the image the attendee wishes to portray when delivering oral presentation.
- Improved skills in implanting glaucoma devices and performing DMEK. Increased understanding of these technologies and techniques including the devices, patient selection, risks and benefits. Improved ability to incorporate these techniques and technologies into their practice.
- Describe an understanding of effective leadership techniques; demonstrate leadership skills in order to maximize clinical team morale and patient satisfaction.
- Introduce ophthalmologists to the framework and concepts necessary to understand the dynamics of the negotiation process.
- Discuss shared goals with industry professionals to improve communication and patient care.
- Demonstrate interpersonal communication skills to leave a positive and memorable impression.
- Recognize advanced injection sites and techniques for botulinum toxin and fillers.
- Discuss skin care product ingredients, injectable products, and optimal sites for each product.
- Employ effective delivery skills that will enrich performance in the clinic setting and during presentations.
- Prioritize patient care and practice management through strategic career planning and relationship building.
- Identify good and poor ergonomic.
- Articulate new research and innovations in adjusting the power of an IOL in the eye.