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Mendicino Scholarship



Dr. Sam Mendicino created a legacy of dedication to training and mentorship. He trained over 150 residents through the GTEF programs before his passing in 2022.

It is with this legacy that the Greater Texas Education Foundation has created the Podiatric Scholarship Fund in memory of Dr. Sam Mendicino. Donations can be made at gtef.org.

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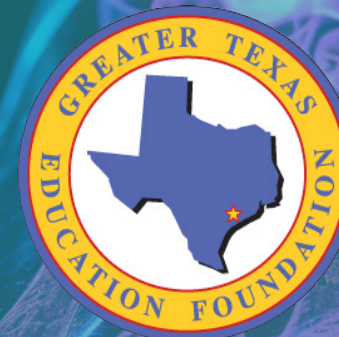
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NO NONSENSE SEMINAR

*Complications and Controversies
in Foot & Ankle*

May 29-30, 2026

Omni Galleria, Houston, TX



Scientific / CME Director / GTEF Past President

Mark Hofbauer, DPM, FACFAS

PROGRAM

AGENDA SUMMARY

All presentations will take place in the Omni Ballroom (1st fl).

Lectures	LOCATION: OMNI BALLROOM	SIGN IN REQUIRED FOR CME CREDIT
	Friday 12:30 pm - 7:00 pm	1st Floor
	Saturday 8:00 am - 4:15 pm	1st Floor
Exhibits	LOCATION: OMNI BALLROOM B	
	Friday 12:00 pm - 7:00 pm	1st Floor
	Saturday 7:00 am - 4:30 pm	1st Floor
Events	LOCATION: OMNI BALLROOMS	
	Friday 7:00 pm-7:30 pm	<i>Working Reception</i>
		Sponsor: Oshima Medical LLC
	Saturday 7:30 am-8:00 am	<i>Breakfast</i>
		Sponsor: Life Net Health
	10:00 am-10:15 am	<i>Break</i>
		Co-Sponsor: Oshima Medical LLC
	12:15 pm-1:00 pm	<i>Lunch</i>
		Co-Sponsor: Power Step-Foundation Wellness

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- SAGIS Diagnostics
- LifeNet Health
- Marlinz Pharma
- Paratek Pharmaceuticals
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- Treace Medical Concept
- Bioventus
- Redi-Thotics
- Oshima Medical LLC
- Orthofix
- AROA
- PowerStep - Foundation Wellness
- Kerecis
- Empire Extremity Group: Fusion Orthopedics, MedLine, Kuros Biosciences, Ossio & Auxano

EDUCATION MISSION STATEMENT

To enhance and support the need for quality podiatric education and knowledge to achieve the goal of providing the highest quality of care for the healthcare community and public. Dedicated to fostering excellence, we achieve this goal by offering the latest innovative options and providing a comprehensive education for the treatment of the foot, ankle, and lower leg pathology. We strive to equip and empower Podiatric Medical/Surgical Attending Physicians, Podiatric Surgical Residents, Students, Allopathic Physicians, and healthcare professionals with cutting-edge knowledge, skills, and research through a variety of educational activities, including continuing education seminars/conferences, case review presentations, lectures, panel/group discussions, and live internet activities. We aim to elevate the standards of podiatric practices/services and use our dynamic educational initiatives as a commitment to being an educational cornerstone throughout the medical community.

COMMERCIAL INTEREST

No commercial interest provided financial support for this continuing education programming. Sponsorship was provided for breaks, lunch and display area activities only.

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INTENDED AUDIENCE

Attending Physicians, Podiatric Physicians, Podiatric Surgical Residents, Students, Allopathic Physicians, and healthcare professionals. Schedule subject to change.

CANCELLATION POLICY

No refunds after May 1.

GREATER TEXAS EDUCATION FOUNDATION CONTACT AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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CME INFORMATION

CECH INFORMATION

The Greater Texas Education Foundation is approved by the Council on Podiatric Medical Education as a provider of continuing education in podiatric medicine. Greater Texas Education Foundation has approved this activity for a maximum of 13 continuing education contact hours. Please be advised that you must sign in at the seminar to verify attendance. For any questions contact Greater Texas Education Foundation at 281-597-1630.

CECH SIGN IN TIMES

Friday, May 29 3:00pm and 7:00pm
Saturday, May 30 12:45pm and 4:15pm

SCIENTIFIC DIRECTOR AND CME DIRECTOR

Mark Hofbauer, DPM. No Nonsense Seminar, May 2026

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- Dr. Mariam Khokhar (PGY2) HCA West Houston, Houston, TX
- Dr. Jaweira Jaweira (PGY2) HCA West Houston, Houston, TX
- Dr. Brigitte Nguyen (PGY2) HCA Kingwood, Houston, TX
- Dr. Anne Thomas (PGY2) HCA West Houston, Houston, TX

ATTENDANCE

A minimum of two attendance verifications will be done each day, unless the activity is 4 hours or less, then a single verification is required, and must be completed to receive continuing education hour(s) credit. Furthermore, in each Continuing Medical Education activity/event final program / agenda the number of Continuing Education Contact Hours for each segment will be identified, as well as identifying the time(s) to stop by the registration area to sign for verification of attendance for that segment of the program. Each participant must sign the verification of attendance form at the allotted times each day to receive the credit of contact hours for each particular segment, along with a completed evaluation form at the end of the activity. *The Verification of CECH and Attendance Certificate form will be emailed at the end of the event/activity for your records. The Greater Texas Education Foundation will keep a record of the CECH Certificate for 5 years.



Meeting Objectives:

- Discuss evolving surgical techniques and postoperative protocols for malleolar fracture management.
- Critically evaluate the expanding indications for minimally invasive (MIS) bunion surgery; Analyze timing, fixation strategy, and limb salvage thresholds in midfoot Charcot reconstruction & weigh the role of total ankle arthroplasty (TAA) versus ankle arthrodesis in younger and higher-demand patients.
- Pediatric Ankle Fractures: Participants will be able to analyze pediatric ankle fracture presentations to identify fracture patterns, assess physeal risk, recognize injuries requiring advanced imaging or surgical fixation, and justify evidence-based treatment decisions.
- Congenital & Acquired Foot and Ankle Deformities: Participants will be able to analyze congenital and acquired pediatric foot and ankle deformities to distinguish physiologic variation from pathologic deformity and justify appropriate timing of intervention based on growth, symptoms, function, and risk of progression
- Provide updates on total ankle replacement options and review complications to improve outcomes.
- Case review and outcomes for flatfoot correction, plantar fasciitis, peroneal syndrome, metatarsal fracture, tinalis anterior rupture, transverse bone transport, achilles rupture , rearfoot tenotomies and navicular fractures.
- Discuss comparison of 3 decades of podiatric medicine and case outcomes.
- Review the surgical principles and operative technique of calcaneal distraction arthrodesis, including deformity correction, restoration of hindfoot alignment, and graft selection. Evaluate expected clinical outcomes, fusion rates, complications, and functional improvement following distraction arthrodesis for calcaneal malunion or failed calcaneal fracture treatment.
- Provide updates on physician contracting, business practice pearls and online medicine for impact on current profession and patient care.

CECH AGENDA

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FRIDAY, MAY 29TH

12:30pm-6:45pm [5 CECH]

- 12:30 pm **Ankle Fractures: Where Are We Now? Peaceful Fireside Chat Discussion**
Dr. Mark Hofbauer & Dr. Graham Hamilton
- 1:30 pm **MIS/TAR/Midfoot Charcot: OH MY. Heated But Peaceful Fireside Chat Discussion**
Dr. Mark Hofbauer & Dr. Graham Hamilton
- 2:30 pm **Flatfoot Decision-Making Pearls**
Dr. Jorge Matuk
- 3:00 pm **Break & Displays**
- 3:15 pm **Pediatric Ankle Fractures**
Dr. Mark Solomon
- 4:00 pm **Plantar Fasciitis**
Dr. Jeffery Arthur
- 4:30 pm **Painful Os Peroneum Syndrome**
Dr. Mariam Khokhar
- 5:00 pm **5th Metatarsal Fractures**
Dr. Brigitte Nguyen
- 5:30 pm **Tibialis Anterior Ruptures**
Dr. Jorge Matuk
- 6:00 pm **Transverse Bone Transport**
Dr. Asia Lo
- 6:30 pm **Congenital Acquired Foot and Ankle Deformities**
Dr. Mark Solomon

7:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Working Reception
Sponsored by:
Oshima Medical-Biotend

SATURDAY, MAY 30TH

8:00am-4:15pm [8 CECH]

- 7:00am **Bloody Mary's & Breakfast Bites**
- 7:30 am **Total Ankle Replacement**
Dr. Al Ng
- 8:30 am **The Forefoot Conundrum**
Dr. Scott McKinney
- 9:00 am **Metatarsal Fractures**
Dr. Gloria Camacho
- 10:00 am **Break & Displays**

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- 10:15 am **First MPJ Fusions**
Dr. Anne Thomas
- 10:45 am **Achilles Tendon Ruptures**
Dr. Jaweria Jaweria
- 11:15 am **From Clinic to Content: How Social Media is Reshaping Medicine**
Dr. Hira Mirza
- 11:45 am **35 Years of Techniques, Tips and Pearls**
Dr. Chris Lamy
- 12:15 pm **Working Lunch**
(lunch provided: 12:15pm-12:45pm)
Physician Contracts
(working lunch lecture: 12:45pm-1:15pm)
Dr. Stan Churchwell
- 1:15 pm **The Decision Matrix: Work Up, Approach, and Avoiding Complications**
Dr. Chardana Halaharvi
- 1:45 pm **Sub-Talar Distraction Arthrodesis for Latent Calcaneal Fractures**
Dr. Tim Abigail
- 2:15 pm **Rearfoot Tenotomies For Midfoot and Ankle Ulcerations**
Dr. Asia Lo
- 2:45 pm **Ankle Fractures**
Dr. Fatima Daknash
- 3:15 am **Navicular Fractures**
Dr. Fatima Ansari
- 3:45 am **Complications**
Dr. Al Ng
- 4:15 pm **Adjourn**
- 7:00 pm **Graduation Awards & Dinner**

Lunch Co-Sponsor:
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