

Welcome to the 2026 Annual Session of the
Ohio Dental Association!

Sept. 17-19



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Thank you for pre-registering! Here are the facts for ODA Annual Session attendees:

PICK UP YOUR BADGE AND LANYARD ON-SITE

Your badge will not be mailed to you. Stop by the Registration Area in Concourse A of the Greater Columbus Convention Center (GCCC) to print off your badge by using the barcode in your confirmation email or simply by providing your name and ID. Any applicable ribbons will also be available on-site. Members of the ODA House of Delegates can pick up their badge at the Registration Area on Wednesday, September 16, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., or in front of the Aminah Robinson Ballroom on floor #5 at the Hilton Downtown Columbus Hotel starting at 7:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 17 and Friday, September 18.

ONLINE HANDOUTS

The ODA will provide course handout materials online. To retrieve your handouts, simply log into your account with your badge number or the username and password that you created at www.prereg.net/2026/oda. The handout option will be located on the left-hand side of the website after you log in – a small cloud icon appears next to each course that has a handout. Please remember that not all speakers provide handouts and some speakers provide handouts just before their course, so check back often.

Printed handouts will not be available on-site at Annual Session.

MORE INFO ON HAND – ON YOUR SMARTPHONE AND TABLET!

Several beneficial resources are accessible via your smart phone or tablet. Finding your way around the ODA Annual Session has never been easier! The following is available via your mobile device when you download the app via Google Play or the Apple App Store.

- Your personal convention itinerary.
- General information such as registration and Exhibit Hall hours.
- Speaker and course information.
- Entry to our Buy More Win More! game in the Exhibit Hall.
- Entry to our Scavenger Hunt game in the Exhibit Hall.
- Meeting space maps and directions for the Hilton and the Greater Columbus Convention Center.
- Parking information, maps and directions.
- Directory of exhibiting companies and booth numbers.
- Applicable course handouts.
- CE course credit verification.

PARKING AND DIRECTIONS

Construction is ongoing around the Convention Center, but parking may have never been more convenient! Due to on-going road construction in the Columbus area, traffic patterns going into downtown may have changed. For up-to-date traffic information, including construction and temporary street closures, please refer to OHGO.com. The Greater Columbus Convention Center address is 400 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

VINE GARAGE

37 Vine Street
Columbus, OH 43215

GOODALE GARAGE

70 E. Goodale Street
Columbus, OH 43215

SOUTH GARAGE

50 E. Nationwide Boulevard
Columbus, OH 43215

EAST LOT

80 E. Nationwide Boulevard
Columbus, OH 43215

OHIO CENTER GARAGE

Enter from N. 3rd Street
Columbus, OH 43215

NORTH LOT

50 E. Goodale Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Annual Session Attendees are responsible for their own parking charges. Current daily parking rate is \$25.00, but prices are subject to change. The Greater Columbus Convention Center (GCCC) is a cashless facility. All parking garages accept credit/debit cards only; cash is not accepted.

RESERVE YOUR PARKING SPACE IN ADVANCE!

Reserve and prepay parking through the Greater Columbus Convention Center. Higher fees may apply, but parking is reserved and guaranteed. This is a great option if you are driving in to the meeting daily. Go to gccc.parkswiftssp.com/, enter your entry dates & exit dates, and you will see the parking options available.



SCAN CODE TO DOWNLOAD THE
ODA ANNUAL SESSION APP!

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Android: play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=net.prereg.odadroid

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EVENT LOCATIONS

CE courses and events will be held in the Greater Columbus Convention Center (GCCC) 400 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, and the Hilton Downtown Columbus Hotel, Tower 402, 402 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. This year, all events and meetings located at the GCCC are near the "A" Concourse. Classroom numbers beginning with "A" are in the GCCC directly across from the ODA Exhibit Hall and the ODA Annual Session Registration area on the first or second floors. Please check the meeting app and signage located throughout the buildings to determine in which room your meeting or event is located.

NAME BADGE

Your name badge must be worn at all times while at Annual Session and is your entry into the Exhibit Hall and free events.

NO TICKETS NEEDED!

A barcode on the front of your name badge allows you to be easily scanned in for each course and event that you have registered for. Your personalized schedule is printed on one side of the badge and folds to be an easy reference on the back of your badge.

CHANGING YOUR REGISTRATION

Changes to your registration cannot be made by phone. However, changes can be made on-site at the ODA Registration Desk located in Concourse A of the GCCC.

Please plan to arrive no later than one hour before your first CE program begins.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION HOURS

Wednesday, September 16: 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 17: 7:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Friday, September 18: 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 19: 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

ATTIRE

Business casual dress is recommended for the convention.

Please dress warmly, in layers, as meeting rooms tend to be cool.

EXHIBIT HALL

During your convention visit, don't miss the Ohio Dental Association's outstanding Exhibit Hall! Be sure to download the meeting app so you can participate in the door prizes as well as attend the special events held in the Exhibit Hall. Be sure to enter your receipts on the ODA App for your chance to win a \$500 Visa gift card each day.

EXHIBIT HALL HOURS

Thursday, September 17: 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Friday, September 18: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 19: CLOSED

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SEMINAR SEATING & COURTESY

Plan to arrive early; seating for all seminars is on a first-come, first-served basis. Most lecture rooms are set in a mixture of classroom (with tables) and theatre (without tables) seating, so arriving early can guarantee that you have your choice in seating arrangements. Also, please set all cell phones and pagers to silent during seminars.

LUNCH BREAKS

On Thursday and Friday, CE courses will break for lunch at various intervals between 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., giving attendees the opportunity to spend time in the Exhibit Hall with no need to travel off-site for lunch. Free lunch will be available in the Exhibit Hall for all attendees. On Saturday, breakfast and lunch will be provided for all registrants attending CE classes.

CE RECORDS AND VERIFICATION

Annual Session will feature a computerized accreditation process. Sponsored by the ODA Services Corp., the system allows attendees to print out a final CE certificate on-site during the convention, or from your home or office.

Speakers will announce a confirmation code(s) sometime during the seminar. Be sure to make note of the CE code; it is your back-up, just in case!

The final document that you print yourself is the only course confirmation document you will receive. To print your certificate on-site, visit the CE Pavilion located near the concession area in the back of the Exhibit Hall. On Saturday the CE Pavilion will relocate to the ODA Annual Session Registration Desk. If you prefer not to use the system on-site, you may print your CE certification forms online from your home or office computer. Simply go to the ODA's website, www.oda.org, click on the 2026 CEU Credits link and enter your Annual Session badge number and the first four letters of your last name. You will then be able to enter the appropriate CE verification codes, if needed, and print out your personalized CE certificate.

FREE COFFEE

The ODA Subcouncil on Diversity and Inclusion will be hosting its Brewing Connections Coffee & Tea Bar in Concourse A on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday mornings from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., in the GCCC.

STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?

Up-to-date information can be found online at www.oda.org/events-ce/annual-session/, or contact the ODA Annual Session Department at (800) 282-1526 or annualsession@oda.org.

SAVE THE DATE

Next year's ODA Annual Session will be held September 16 - 18, 2027 at the Hilton Columbus Downtown Hotel and the Greater Columbus Convention Center. Stop by the ODA Membership Booth at this year's convention to pick up your handy reminder of next year's dates.

Questions?

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