

# ISEPS/COS 2022 Joint Conference

## “RENEWAL”

Illinois Society of Eye Physicians & Surgeons ❖ Chicago Ophthalmological Society

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We are pleased to invite your company to participate in the **18<sup>th</sup> Annual ISEPS/COS Joint Conference: 2022 – RENEWAL**. It is scheduled for Friday, March 18, 2022, at the Stephens Conference Center in Rosemont, Illinois (near O’Hare International Airport).

The COS for more than 125 years has provided educational opportunities to Chicago area ophthalmologists and has earned a well-deserved national reputation. Meanwhile, ISEPS – now in its 52<sup>nd</sup> year of service – has established itself as the premier statewide professional society representing ophthalmology. By partnering for this conference, the two groups offer ophthalmic companies a unique opportunity to participate in an exceptional continuing medical education conference for ophthalmologists, technicians and practice administrators.

Attendance at this meeting has averaged more than 250 ophthalmologists each year before the pandemic, **making this one of the largest state ophthalmology conferences in the nation**. We expect the “renewal” attendance to be in this range. In addition to physician lectures, we offer a concurrent practice management session for practice administrators in addition to a separate session for ophthalmic technicians. We are confident that you’ll find this event to be an excellent opportunity to make new contacts or renew old friendships.

A diagram of the exhibit space is posted on the ISEPS website along with information pertinent to exhibitors, including our W-9 form, a “fillable” invoice form (if your company needs one) and programs for all three sessions. The on-line diagram is updated frequently as registrations are received so you can see which booths have been committed almost in real-time. You’ll notice that we have included “premium” sponsorship opportunities along with the regular 10x10’ booths. Exhibitors at the “Platinum Level” will have access to exclusive space near the exhibit hall for private meetings or demonstrations of equipment.

The direct web address for the exhibitor prospectus and registration forms is:  
<http://www.ileyemd.org/exhibitor-prospectus-2022>

The attached meeting fact sheet describes highlights of the conference, opportunities for exhibitors, and related information. The conference organizers are committed to generating attendee traffic at your booth and to make this a worthwhile investment of time and money.

Please register online or return the paper registration form as soon as possible so we can confirm your space. **Be sure to indicate your booth preference and a second choice.** (Check the booth diagram first.) Your prompt reply will increase the chance you get the space you desire.

If you have any questions, please contact the ISEPS/COS office at 800/838-3627 or by email: Rich@ILEyeMD.org. In the meantime, we want to thank you for your consideration and look forward to seeing you in Rosemont on March 18!

# ISEPS/COS 2022 ANNUAL MEETING FACTS

## - - - Our 18<sup>th</sup> Year - - -

- This is a joint meeting of the statewide ophthalmological society – the Illinois Society of Eye Physicians & Surgeons – along with one of the oldest and most respected *local* ophthalmology organizations in the country, the Chicago Ophthalmological Society.
- The 2005 conference was the first joint meeting by these two organizations, and it was viewed as being highly successful. Since then, attendance has remained strong, averaging more than 250 ophthalmologists, plus about 65 practice administrators and nearly 200 ophthalmic technicians.
- Industry support has been firm with more than 45 companies and some 90 sales representatives participating as exhibitors and sponsors each year. This is a great opportunity for companies to make new contacts or update previous friendships in a relatively informal atmosphere.
- The conference is held at the Stephens Conference Center in Rosemont which provides an excellent venue for the exhibit hall while remaining convenient to most members and transportation.

### 2022 Joint Conference

- March 18, 2022, at the Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, IL, just a stone's throw from O'Hare International Airport. Set-up time is arranged for Thursday afternoon, March 17<sup>th</sup> for those interested.
- Exhibit area will include more than 6,000 ft<sup>2</sup> of space . . .
  - All breaks, breakfast and an extended buffet lunch are served in exhibit hall which is open throughout the conference; dedicated time of approximately 3 hours is built into the schedule
  - **New this year...** Following the general sessions, all attendees will be invited to a one-hour cocktail reception before they leave the meeting. All exhibiting companies are encouraged to have their representatives attend and mingle at this informal social event.
  - Exhibitor space is a 10x10' pipe-and-drape booth; electricity is available for a nominal additional charge
  - Double-size (20x10') booths and "premium" sponsorships are available
  - Non-profit and academic institutions may apply for reduced or waived fee tabletop space in the foyer immediately outside of the exhibit hall
- This is a one-day information-packed program with ample time for the exhibit area.
  - Pre-session continental breakfast
  - Morning and afternoon breaks
  - Buffet lunch
  - Post-session cocktail reception
- Three named lecture speakers are of national stature, along with special guests and local presenters for the clinical session. A wide range of topics will be offered on the program with great appeal to most practicing ophthalmologists and their office staffs. The program features a significant number of surgical topics.
- Company opportunities
  - Standard exhibit space (full 10'x10' booth) - \$2,000 (electricity is \$300 extra)
  - Double size booth – \$3,500 (electricity is \$300 extra)
  - Premium booths – Platinum (\$15,000); Gold (\$10,000); Silver (\$5,000) – see online exhibitor prospectus for details: <https://iseps.memberclicks.net/exhibitor-prospectus-2022>
- All exhibitors will receive attendee lists with contact information and recognition at the meeting through podium announcements, signage and handout materials.

**Important notice:** Upon submitting your registration, the Exhibitor and the Illinois Society of Eye Physicians & Surgeons/Chicago Ophthalmological Society understand and agree that ISEPS/COS policy does not allow the conference to accept any advice or services from the Exhibitor concerning speakers, authors, participants, program content or other CME matters as conditions of the exhibit fee, exhibit placement and/or sponsorship selection. In addition, both parties fully understand that this agreement, and therefore the conference, is free from commercial bias or control due to the separation of the designated exhibitor/sponsorship area and related activities from the CME planners, authors, speakers and CME sessions. By submitting this form and the associated exhibit fee, it is expressly understood that the company is purchasing an exhibit space only and is not purchasing any meals or providing any other remuneration to physicians.

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