

Forum on Primary EyeCare April 25 & 26, 2026

Marriott hotel Westshore Tampa FL

Each day is worth 9.0 COPE hours
The overall program runs roughly from 7:45am to 4:45 pm

Confirmed Speakers:

Steve Ferrucci, OD, FAAO Pinakin Davey, OD, FAAO
Alice Sterling, OD Deepak Gupta, OD FAAO

We anticipate this to be the final agenda, but it is subject to change

SATURDAY COURSES - AM

TQ: Refer or Relax: Retina (2hr) and Refer or Relax: Macula (2hr) – S Ferrucci
FL Jurisprudence by Alice Sterling

8:00am to 9:40am

TQ: COPE 97828-TD / FL board 20-1346972 S Ferrucci 2hr
Refer or Relax: Retina

This course discusses cases in the primary care ODs office, and asks if this is something that we can monitor ourselves (relax) or need to refer to a specialist.

9:40am to 10:30am

COPE 103114-TD / FL Board 20-1369352 – S Ferrucci 1hr
Early Intervention Strategies for Dry AMD & Presbyopia

This course will focus on the early management of presbyopia and dry AMD/Geographic atrophy. Topics will include pharmaceutical treatments for presbyopia, multimodal diagnostic strategies for AMD/GA.

10:40am to 12:20am

TQ: COPE 103834 –TD / FL Board 20-1346975 S Ferrucci 2hr
Refer or Relax: Macula

This course discusses macula-involving cases and asks if this is something that we can monitor ourselves (relax) or need referral (refer) to a retinal specialist. Cases include Central serous retinopathy, epi-retinal membranes, and macular holes.

SATURDAY COURSES - PM

1:20 to 3:00pm

COPE 101683-TD / FL Board 20-1346563 D Gupta 2hr
Keratoconus: Diagnose and Manage Like A Pro

This course will discuss the diagnosis and management of keratoconus. It will discuss various management options, such as contact lenses and surgery.

3:10 to 4:50pm

COPE 101024-EJ / FL board: 20-1346565 – A Sterling 2hr
Florida Jurisprudence for Optometry

This two hour course will satisfy the requirement for Florida licensed optometrists for Jurisprudence.

SUNDAY COURSES - AM

TQ Course: Glaucoma Advances and Updates – P Davey
Med Errors: Ocular Disease: The Mistakes I Made –D Gupta

8:00am to 8:50am

COPE 98260-SD / 20-1346569 P Davey 1 hr
Thyroid and Thyroid Eye Disease

This course focuses on thyroid disease and thyroid eye disease. For both, we will discuss diagnosis, management, and the optometrist's role in managing.

8:50am to 9:40am

COPE 101662-TD / FL Board 20-1346568 P Davey 1hr
Glaucoma: When the Angle is Not Wide Open

This course provides an in-depth review of angle-closure disease with emphasis on anatomy, risk factors, clinical presentation. The lecture outlines the distinguishing signs of acute, subacute, and chronic angle-closure glaucoma

9:50am to 11:30am

TQ: COPE 95588-GL / FL Board 20-1346976 P Davey 2hr
Glaucoma Advances and Updates

This interactive course will discuss in detail about the clinical evaluation of the patient suspected of having glaucoma. It will discuss the latest in technology which can be used to properly diagnose patients with glaucoma.

11:30am to 12:20pm

COPE 98258-GL/ FL Board 20-1346566 P Davey 1hr
Glaucoma Management

This course reviews the different clinical decisions that face the optometrist managing glaucoma. It will discuss both the medical and surgical options available to patients who demonstrate progression of the disease.

SUNDAY COURSES - PM

1:20 to 3:00pm

COPE 101805 -PH / FL Board 20-1348985 D Gupta 2hr
Pharming: Prescribe Like A Pro

This course will present pertinent clinical data on new therapeutic agents available to optometrists. Clinical indications and expectations of the new drugs will be shared and the results of clinical studies highlighted

3:10 to 4:50pm

COPE 101686-TD / FL Board 20-1346570 D Gupta 2hr
Ocular Disease: The Mistakes I Made

This live course will provide a comprehensive review and update on properly diagnosing and managing patients with common ocular and systemic conditions.

This course is the Florida Required Medical Errors Course