

SWITCH

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Orlando, Florida

Your Guide to Continuing Education at SWITCH

Clinical Continuing Education Track

Five hours of COPE Accredited Continuing Education provided by Northeastern State University Oklahoma College of Optometry (\$125)



Jay Chhablani, MD

Innovation in Eye Care: How AI Is Shaping Clinical Practice

Jay Chhablani, MD

This course explores the clinical integration of artificial intelligence in ophthalmology, highlighting its impact on diagnosis, disease monitoring, workflow efficiency, and personalized patient care across major ophthalmic subspecialties. Learners will develop a foundational and practical understanding of artificial intelligence in ophthalmology, including core concepts, clinical applications across subspecialties, critical evaluation of AI tools, and key ethical, regulatory, and future considerations.



Nicholas Despotidis, OD, FFAO, FOVDR, FIAOMC

Integrating Novel Spectacle Lenses for Myopia Management

Nicholas Despotidis, OD, FFAO, FOVDR, FIAOMC

As myopia reaches epidemic proportions, practices must evolve from traditional commodity-based models toward specialized medical care. This course provides a blueprint for transforming a primary care office into a successful myopia management powerhouse by leveraging the latest advancements in spectacle lens technology. Attendees will learn how to integrate novel spectacle lens designs into their clinical workflow and communication strategies.



Joseph J. Pizzimenti, OD, FFAO, FORS, FNAP

Oculomics: The Future of Healthcare or Just Another Buzzword?

Joseph J. Pizzimenti, OD, FFAO, FORS, FNAP

The eye provides novel insights into general health, as well as pathogenesis and development of systemic diseases. In the past decade, growing evidence has demonstrated that the eye's structure and function mirror multiple systemic health conditions, especially in cardiovascular diseases, neurodegenerative disorders, and kidney impairments. This has given rise to the field of oculomics--the application of ophthalmic biomarkers to understand mechanisms, detect and predict systemic disease. This course summarizes current concepts and evidence in the field of oculomics, highlighting the progress that has been made, remaining challenges, and opportunities for future research.



Antoinette Antwi, OD



Nate Lighthizer, OD, FFAO

The Use of Low-Level Light Therapy (LLLT)/Photobiomodulation for Dry Eye Disease and Eyelid Conditions

Antoinette Antwi, OD and Nate Lighthizer, OD, FFAO

This course provides an evidence-based overview of low-level light therapy (LLLT)/photobiomodulation and its clinical applications in dry eye disease and eyelid disorders such as chalazion and blepharitis. Participants will leave with a clear understanding of clinical applications, therapeutic mechanisms, supporting evidence, safety and efficacy, and practical guidance for incorporating LLLT/photobiomodulation into clinical practice.



Mile Brujic, OD, FFAO

Contemporary Treatment Options for Presbyopia

Mile Brujic, OD, FFAO

This course will discuss the unmet need in the presbyopic population and new options for care including ophthalmic lens, contact lens and pharmaceutical options. There will be an emphasis on clinical application of these options to optimize patient functionality. Attendees will gain insight into current advancements in ophthalmic care, from contact lens technologies to pharmaceutical options for presbyopia.

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Optician Continuing Education Track

Five hours of Optician Continuing Education Credits included in registration (ABO, NCLE, NACOR, COO, NY)



Ryan Parker, OD

The Key Role of Opticians in the Myopia Management Journey

Ryan Parker, OD, Senior Director, Professional Affairs, EssilorLuxottica

This course provides an overview of the rising prevalence of childhood myopia and highlights the essential role opticians play in the myopia management journey. Attendees will learn the difference between myopia correction and myopia management, understand the tools available in each category, and develop practical strategies for guiding parents through testing, frame selection, adjustments, and follow-up.



Aarlan Aceto, OD



Douglas L. Beck, AUD, CCC-A, F-AAA

The Impact of Aging on Vision and Hearing

Aarlan Aceto, OD, CT, State Professor & Program Coordinator and Douglas L. Beck, AUD, CCC-A, F-AAA, Senior Director of Audiology Professional Affairs, EssilorLuxottica

This course will provide an overview of the essential aspects of visual and auditory functions in healthy young individuals and how these sensory functions evolve over time. The lecture will explore solutions available to help compensate for vision and hearing loss, with a particular emphasis on the innovative integration of hearing aid solutions into eyewear. By the end of the session, attendees will be familiar with how these combined solutions can enhance the quality of life for individuals experiencing sensory decline.



Pete Hanlin, ABOM

Understanding Accommodative Ranges to Choose the Best Lens Designs

Pete Hanlin, ABOM, Vice President Professional Services, EssilorLuxottica

This course provides a deep dive into how the human eye adjusts focus through the process of accommodation. Participants will review the physiological mechanisms involved, understand how accommodation changes over time, and learn how refractive status and optical correction affect the range of clear and comfortable vision. Patient cases will highlight how refractive status influences the range of clear and comfortable vision, and how lens design choices in the presbyopia affect near and intermediate viewing distances and ergonomics.



Lauren Fereday, OD, MS



Brooke Carrasco, ABOC, NCLEC

Light Therapy to Reduce Contact Lens Dropout

Lauren Fereday, OD, MS, Director, Professional Affairs, EssilorLuxottica and Brooke Carrasco, ABOC, NCLEC, Senior Manager, EyeCare, EssilorLuxottica

Contact lens dropout remains a significant challenge for eye care professionals, often driven by discomfort, ocular surface issues, and visual fatigue. This course explores the emerging role of light therapy as a non-invasive, evidence-based approach to improving ocular surface health and enhancing contact lens tolerance. Participants will learn how targeted light wavelengths can influence tear film stability, reduce ocular inflammation, and support meibomian gland function.



Aarlan Aceto, OD

How Emerging Technologies Will Transform the Patient Experience and the Roles of ECPs

Aarlan Aceto, OD, CT State Professor & Program Coordinator

Technology is transforming the way eye care professionals deliver services and how patients engage with their vision health. This one-hour course examines the latest innovations, from advanced diagnostic tools to digital platforms that enhance accuracy, efficiency, and patient experience. Attendees will gain insights into how these technologies are applied in real-world scenarios and learn strategies for integrating them into practice.



Drew Paul

AI Driven Lens Design to Optimize Day and Night Vision Solutions

Drew Paul, Account Executive, Shamir

Learn how visual demands change during day and night driving, and how lens design can be optimized to meet those needs. This course explores how insights from research, emerging technologies, artificial intelligence, Alpine F1 Racing team partnerships, and myopic shift contribute to a holistic approach to lens design for driving. Participants will discover how both single vision and progressive lenses can be purpose-engineered to support vision day or night.

— PLUS —



Chris King

Transitions Studio® Connecting Vision, Style and Tech to Redefine Human Experience

Chris King, Marketing Director, Global Education, Transitions Optical

Engage in an interactive workshop where *Transitions*® lenses anchor the connection between vision science, personal style, and wearable technology. Learn from subject matter experts about the benefits of dynamic light modulation and style with *Transitions*® Color Expert™ lenses plus a live look at the new *Transitions*® Color Match™ tool. You will leave with clear best practices to position light care as eye care across everyday wear.

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