Broward County Optometric Association

GOLD COAST RETREAT
DATE: January 23-24, 2027
LOCATION: Omni Fort Lauderdale
1850 SE 17th Street
Ft Lauderdale, FL 33316

Saturday – January 23rd		Speakers	Hours
7:00 am – 8:00 am	Registration and Breakfast – Exhibit Hall Opens		
8:00 am – 9:40 am	When the Eye Speaks: Upfront and Personal	Diana Shechtman, OD Tracy Kimmelman, OD	2/TQ
9:40 am – 10:00 am	Break and Exhibit Hall		
10:00 am -11:40 am	Higher Stakes, Higher IOP: Mastering Glaucoma Crises	Michelle Gonzalez, OD Analisa Arosemena, MD Natalie DeBolske, MD	2/TQ
11:40 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch and Exhibit Hall		
1:00 pm – 2:40 pm	Two Doctors One Patient Co-Managing Surgical Patients	Marc Bloomenstein, OD Joshua Cohen, MD	2/TQ
2:40 pm – 3:10 pm	Break and Exhibit Hall		
3:10 pm - 4:50 pm	Anterior Segment Challenges	Marc Bloomenstein, OD	2/TQ
4:50 pm - 6:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Closes for the Day and Happy Hour		

Time	Sunday – Sunday January 24TH	Speakers	Hours
7:00 am – 8:00 am	Registration and Breakfast – Exhibit Hall Opens		
8:00 am – 9:40 am	Ocular Manifestations of Autoimmune Diseases	Sherrol Reynolds, OD Jonathan Rosen, MD	2/TQ
9:40 am – 10:00 am	Break and Exhibit Hall		
10:00 am -11:40 am	When Bad Things Happen to Good Nerves: A Carefree Highway of Neuro-Op Disease	Joseph Sowka, OD	2/TQ
11:40 am – 12:40 pm	Lunch and Exhibit Hall (Exhibit Hall Closes at 12:40)		
12:40 pm – 2:20 pm Concurrent	Prevention of Medical Errors	Joseph Sowka, OD	2
12:40 pm – 1:30 pm Concurrent	Patient are Using AI: Is Your Practice?	Ben Thayil, OD Kyle Shechtman, BS	1
1:30 pm – 2:20 pm	From Red Eye to Retina: A Back to Basics Approach to Common Ocular Conditions	Gabriela Olivares, OD	1
2:20 pm – 2:30pm	Break		
2:30 pm – 4:10 pm Concurrent	Florida Jurisprudence Update	Joseph Sowka, OD	2
2:30 pm – 3:20 pm Concurrent	Eye on HIV	Jessica Steen, OD	1
4:10pm	Conference Ends		