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**AMERICAN ACADEMY OF
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BOG eNews

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BOG Information and Updates

Thank You to Our 2010 BOG Spring Meeting Attendees

The Board of Governors had a successful spring meeting, with nearly 80 attendees benefitting from lively committee meetings and engaging speakers. Share the meeting synopsis with your local society! [More](#) (login required).

2010 BOG Slate of Candidates Announced

Chair-Elect Candidates

Sujana S. Chandrasekhar, MD
Denis C. Lafreniere, MD

Member-at-Large Candidates

Susan R. Cordes, MD
Lisa Perry-Gilkes, MD

Check out the August *Bulletin* for more information on these candidates!

Societies Represented at the BOG Spring Meeting

Thirty-four local, state, regional, and national societies were present at the 2010 BOG Spring Meeting. Thank you to the following societies for contributing towards a productive and informative meeting:

Alabama Society of Otolaryngology-HNS	American Head and Neck Society
American Osteopathic College of Otolaryngology-HNS	American Otological Society
American Rhinologic Society	Arizona Society of Otolaryngology-HNS
Arkansas Society of Otolaryngology-HNS	Central Indiana Otolaryngology Society
Connecticut ENT Society	Delaware Academy of Otolaryngology-HNS
Diversity Committee	Florida Society of Otolaryngology-HNS
Georgia Society of Otolaryngology-HNS	Indiana Academy of Otolaryngology-HNS
Iowa Academy of Otolaryngology-HNS	Kansas Society of Otolaryngology-HNS
Kentucky Society of Otolaryngology-HNS	Long Island Society of Otolaryngology-HNS
Maryland Society of Otolaryngology-HNS	Massachusetts Society of Otolaryngology-HNS
Metro Atlanta Educational Society for Otolaryngology-HNS	Michigan Otolaryngological Society
Minnesota Academy of Otolaryngology-HNS	National Medical Association: Harry Barnes

New York Laryngological Society
Oklahoma Academy of Otolaryngology-HNS
San Francisco Bay Area ENT Society
Texas Association of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgeons
Washington Metro Area Otolaryngology-HNS Society

Society
New York Otologic Society
San Diego Academy of Otolaryngology
Section for Residents and Fellows-in-Training
Virginia Society of Otolaryngology-HNS
West Virginia Academy of Otolaryngology-HNS

State of the Board of Governors

At the recent Board of Governors (BOG) Spring Meeting, Sujana S. Chandrasekhar, MD, BOG Member-at-Large, updated attendees regarding the efforts of the BOG during her two-year term. [More](#) (login required).

Check out the Updated Model Society Handbook

The BOG maintains an extensive Model Society Handbook to help local, state, regional, and national BOG societies function at their optimal level. [View the revised 2010 handbook.](#)

Mark Your Calendar for the BOG Miniseminar

Make plans now to attend the BOG-sponsored miniseminar, "The Media and You: Educate and Advocate." It will be held during the annual meeting in Boston, MA, on Monday, September 27, 2010, from 10:30-11:50 AM. This year's miniseminar will highlight the importance of public relations for both our patients and our practices, and is designed to encourage and enable everyone to utilize PR materials that are readily available through our Academy. This session will be moderated by Peter Abramson, MD, BOG Secretary. Panelists include Marcella Bothwell, MD, Wendy Stern, MD, Jeffrey Spiegel, MD, Jaspreet Dhaliwal, MD, and Deborah Sittig (from the PR firm The Green Room). All Academy members are welcome to attend.

BOG Society Updates

VSO-HNS Meeting

The Virginia Society of Otolaryngology-HNS and the Fitz-Hugh Symposium combined meeting will be April 22-24, 2010, at the Charlottesville Omni Hotel in Charlottesville, VA. The title of the program is **Office-Based Otolaryngology: What You Need to Know**, with special emphasis on: office-based rhinology & allergy, office-based laryngology, and facial plastic surgery. Distinguished guests include Bradley Marple, MD, Peak Woo, MD, and Tom Wang, MD. If you have ever thought of starting an allergy practice in your otolaryngology office, or trying basic facial plastic surgical procedures, now is the time to come and learn from the experts. You can earn **11.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits** for the scientific session and **5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits** for the audiology session (note: the maximum credits that can be earned is 12.5).

For more information, contact Society Administrator Jane Davis at (804) 622-8135, visit the [VSO-HNS website](#), or [view the meeting program](#).

Missouri Supreme Court Decision

Submitted by Norman Druck, MD, MO Society of Oto-HNS Legislative Representative
In 2005, Missouri passed one of the best tort reform laws in the country. Recently, the \$350,000 cap on non-economic damages was challenged on constitutional grounds. At the end of March, the Missouri Supreme Court decided that the cap was indeed constitutional and upheld the law as

passed. This is a major victory for Missouri physicians.

Indiana Academy of Otolaryngology-HNS Update

The Indiana Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery's spring meeting will be held on May 1, 2010, in Indianapolis, IN, to discuss strategies for healthcare reform in otolaryngology. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the [Indiana Chapter of the American College of Surgeons](#). For further information, please contact Michael A. Agostino, MD, IAPO-HNS President, at magostin@iupui.edu.

New BOG Section: Women in Otolaryngology Committee

The Women in Otolaryngology Committee is happy to announce the return of the Women in Otolaryngology luncheon at the 2010 Annual Meeting & OTO EXPO. This event has always been popular and we are working to put together an informative and interactive program for the event. The section is also in the process of developing a survey for the membership to determine how we can best represent and serve women in otolaryngology. The results will help determine the priorities and plans of the committee. Look for more information on this project in an upcoming issue of the *Bulletin*.

AADO Business Meeting at COSM

The Association of Academic Departments of Otolaryngology business meeting at COSM is scheduled for Thursday, April 29, at 7:00 AM in Bronze Room 4 at Bally's Las Vegas. A continental breakfast will be served. Contact Cathy McCaskill, AADO Society Administrator, at scmccaskill@ent.umsmc.edu or (601) 815-3037 for more information.

AOS Spring Meeting

The American Otological Society's 143rd annual spring meeting, on May 1-2, 2010, in Las Vegas, NV, will highlight the most up-to-date information regarding the selection criteria for cochlear implant candidacy in adults and children. Additional presentations and discussions will focus on basic science, vestibular schwannoma, and clinical trials and clinical research. [Registration is available online](#) through April 18. Onsite registration begins Tuesday, April 27, at 4:00 PM in the Grand Salon at Bally's North Tower.

ANS Spring Meeting

The 45th annual American Neurotology Society spring meeting is just around the corner! The meeting will be held at Bally's/Paris in Las Vegas, NV, on May 1-2, 2010, and the venue is sure to provide something for everyone! [Online registration is available through April 18](#) for members and guests. Onsite registration begins Tuesday, April 27, at 4:00 PM in the Grand Salon, Casino Level, Bally's North Tower. Visit www.cosm.md for more information.

Academy Updates

Last Day to Renew AAO-HNS Membership: April 30

Friday, April 30, 2010, is the **last day** for renewing your 2010 AAO-HNS membership. Among other things, if your dues are not paid, you will not receive Academy publications, have access to the members-only portion of the website, and will not be eligible to receive the discounted registration rates for the 2010 Annual Meeting & OTO EXPO in Boston, MA. **Renew now online!** You can also contact us to renew. We can be reached at memberservices@entnet.org, or from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM EDT toll-free at 1-877-722-6467 (U.S. and Canada) or 1-703-836-4444 (International).

2010 Annual Meeting & OTO EXPO Registration and Housing

Watch your mailbox for the April edition of the *Bulletin*! Inside, you will find the 2010 Annual Meeting & OTO EXPO program preview, which includes a preliminary listing of instruction courses, miniseminars, Saturday workshops, and much more! Don't forget, registration and housing opens May 3! Visit the [annual meeting homepage](#) for more information.

Leadership Institute Endowed Scholars Program

The AAO-HNS/F is currently soliciting applications for the AAO-HNS/F Leadership Institute. Thanks to the Leadership Institute's founding contributor, J. Pablo Stolovitzky, MD, this unique leadership opportunity will provide hands-on training through personal insight and experiences necessary to become a future leader in your discipline. The required one-year commitment will focus on our key areas of leadership skills: non-profit organization management and organizational knowledge. The deadline for applications has been extended to April 19, 2010. Contact BOG@entnet.org with questions. Visit the [BOG Programs & News page](#) for more information and to apply (login required).

OHANCAW Screenings by State

Currently, 43 states, and over 200 individual sites, have screenings scheduled for Oral, Head, and Neck Cancer Awareness Week (OHANCAW), which runs from April 12-18, 2010. Visit www.ohancaw.com for more information.

AAO-HNS Patient Education Network Powered by Mediplay

Thank you, BOG Spring Meeting attendees! For those who were able to attend the meeting, did you notice images playing on the screen in the lobby? Bring that same wealth of AAO-HNS's extensive peer-reviewed patient education content to your patients at the point of care! Now you can leverage your Academy membership even further with the [AAO-HNS Patient Education Network](#).