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Weekly News Update

Reminder: Call for Nominations to AAHKS Board, Committee

AAHKS is still accepting nominations to the following positions:

- Second Vice President (1)
- Third Vice President (1)
- Member-at-Large (2)
- Member, Nominating Committee (3)

Nominees must hold Fellow membership status with AAHKS. Nominate yourself by emailing a statement of interest and attaching a CV to AAHKS.org. If you are nominating a colleague, please include the name, email and phone number with your nomination. The deadline for all nominations is Friday, August 13, 2021. AAHKS members will vote on candidates at the Business Meeting during the General Session of the 2021 AAHKS Annual Meeting in Dallas. Learn about the current Board and Committees



Featured 2021 Annual Meeting Industry Symposium

"Utilizing Cooled Radiofrequency Ablation for Patients with Hip and Knee OA, Avascular Necrosis and Chronic Knee Pain Post-TKA- Clinical Evidence and Practice Perspectives" Thursday, November 11, 2021 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Sponsored by Avanos

This seminar will detail the clinical evidence and real-world experience of two physicians who currently use cooled radiofrequency ablation in their practice. Data will focus on the safety and efficacy related to conditions of the hip and knee, including osteoarthritis, avascular necrosis, and painful knee post-TKA. Each physician will then share how they

have incorporated this technology into their practice and its impact on patient care. Review the full 2021 AAHKS Annual Meeting Industry Symposia schedule here.

New Issue of The Journal of Arthroplasty

The August 2021 edition of *The Journal of Arthroplasty (JOA)* has been published online. Visit the *JOA* website to read articles on topics such as reimbursement and outcomes related to preoperative TJA education, whether the Hospital Frailty Risk Score accurately predicts Medicate TJA treatment costs, and the evidence supporting commercial payers' coverage for TJA. Access the current *JOA* at ScienceDirect. Full-text articles are available to AAHKS members and personal subscribers; activate your online subscription here.

Most Popular Stories in August

Catch up on the most-read articles in the AAHKS Weekly News! The top-ranking stories last month were:

- 1. <u>Seeking Input on 2021 Annual Meeting Attendance</u>. Member poll about plans to attend the AAHKS Annual Meeting, vaccination status and travel restrictions.
- 2. <u>The Notice of Proposed Changes to AAHKS Bylaws</u>. Members will be asked to approve changes in AAHKS Bylaws at the Annual Meeting in Dallas.
- 3. <u>CMS Releases Physician Fee Schedule and Outpatient Proposed Rules</u>. AAHKS provided summaries of provisions in both the PFS and OPPS/ASC proposed rules.

Stay up to date on the latest news affecting orthopaedic surgeons by reading the <u>AAHKS</u> News Blog.

Reduced Mortality Risk After THA, TKA

In July, Healio reported that "use of rivaroxaban after total hip or knee arthroplasty led to lower mortality risk and decreased reoperation rates due to infection or hematomas compared with low-molecular-weight heparin." The original research was presented during the European Federation of National Associations of Orthopaedics and Traumatology (EFORT) Virtual Congress, June 30-July 2, 2021. Read the full article here.

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