

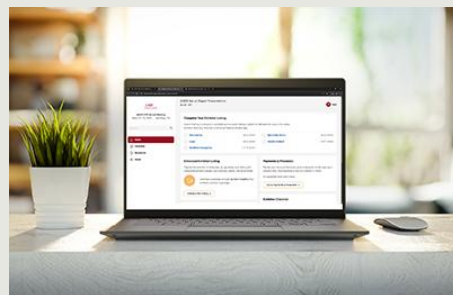


A quick reference for exhibitors while onsite at AAOS 2026. Keep it accessible throughout the meeting to **ensure your team knows where to go, how to stay connected, and how to maximize time on the exhibit floor.**

Track Attendee Registration

The latest AAOS 2026 registration numbers as of **February 12, 2026:**

- U.S. Physician: 2,895
- U.S. Residents/Fellowships: 764
- International Physician: 1,087
- International Residents: 31
- Other Healthcare Professionals: 1,097
- Physician Assistants: 31
- **Total Medical: 5,905**



Pro Insight: Want to track onsite registration totals? Updated counts will be posted daily. Use the link below during the meeting to see the latest numbers.

[View Registration Updates](#)

Stay in the Loop

Know Where to Go When You Need Support Onsite

When questions come up onsite, these locations will help you get answers quickly and keep your team focused on the exhibit floor.

Exhibits Office

Second Floor, Room 236

Your primary point of contact for onsite questions, compliance matters, and exhibitor support. Email exhibits@aaos.org or call 504-670-5604.

Exhibitor Service Center

Back of Hall E, Booth 3173

The Service Center will be staffed with representatives from our official service contractors to assist you with last minute orders, booth service changes, or contractor coordination.

Exhibitor Registration

Lobby D

Expect heavy traffic on Tuesday morning, March 3. Whenever possible, we recommend picking up exhibitor badges in advance to avoid delays. Hours of operation:

- **Saturday, February 28:** 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
- **Sunday, March 1:** 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- **Monday, March 2:** 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- **Tuesday, March 3:** 6:30 AM – 5:00 PM
- **Wednesday, March 4:** 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- **Thursday, March 5:** 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Pro Insight: Badge pickup delays directly reduce booth coverage during opening hours. Assign one staff member to handle badge pickup for your entire team when possible.

Review the Exhibit Hall Schedule and Plan Staffing Accordingly

Confirm when your team has access to the exhibit hall and identify dedicated exhibit hours and beverage breaks that typically drive increased traffic. Use the full [Exhibit Hall Schedule and Hours](#) to plan booth coverage and anticipate peak engagement periods.

Coat and Luggage Check

Great Hall Lobby and Lobby G

Hours of operation:

- **Monday, March 2 - Thursday, March 5:** 6:30 AM to 5:30 PM
- **Friday, March 6:** 6:30 AM to 4:30 PM

First Aid Station

Lobby B1 and D

Staffed by licensed medical professionals. Hours of operation:

- **Wednesday, February 25 - Sunday, March 1:** 7:30 AM to 7:00 PM
- **Monday, March 2 - Thursday, March 5:** 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM
- **Friday, March 6:** 7:00 AM to Midnight
- **Saturday, March 7:** 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Business Center (Fed Ex Office)

Lobby F

Open daily Monday, March 2 - Friday, March 6: 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

- **Phone:** 504-585-5750
- **Email:** usa2153@fedex.com

Prepare Your Team with Essential Onsite Information

These resources help your booth staff stay connected, navigate the meeting confidently, and engage attendees effectively throughout the Annual Meeting.

Wi-Fi Access

Complimentary internet is available for email and light browsing.

- **Network:** AAOSExhibitHall
- **Password:** aaos2026

AAOS Annual Meeting App

The app provides real-time access to the education program, exhibit hall activities, and your exhibitor listing. No login is required for exhibitors.

[Download the app today!](#)

Recognize Attendee Types at a Glance

Badge colors help your booth staff quickly identify attendee types and tailor conversations.

- **Red** - AAOS Member Medical Attendees
- **Grey** - AAOS Non-Member Medical Attendees
- **Goldenrod** - Family Badge
- **Pink** - Industry Non-Exhibitor
- **Blue** - Exhibitor
- **Yellow** - Press

Exhibitor Badge Privileges

An exhibitor badge provides access to the exhibit hall and, if space allows, instructional courses, posters, symposia, and paper presentations. CME credit is not awarded to exhibitor badge holders.

Transportation and Shuttle Hours

Complimentary shuttles operate between select AAOS hotels and the Convention Center during the following hours:

- **Monday, March 2 - Thursday, March 5:** 6:30 AM to 10:00 AM and 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM.
- No service is available between 10:00 AM and 3:00 PM.

For routes, and additional details, refer to the [Shuttle Bus Flyer](#).

Attendee Traffic Measurement

AAOS will use badge beacon technology during the meeting to understand attendee traffic in the Exhibit Hall. Medical attendees will receive a secure, encrypted beacon at registration.

AAOS may place small, discreet receivers in exhibitor booths if needed and requests exhibitor cooperation. These receivers remain out of sight and improve exhibit hall planning, layout, and attendee flow for future meetings.

Take Advantage of Exhibitor Focused Events

These events provide extra visibility, informal networking opportunities, and a chance to connect with attendees and other exhibitors beyond your booth.

Golf Simulator Experience

Hall B1, Booth 123

The Golf Simulator offers a relaxed, interactive break for exhibitors and attendees alike. Invite attendees for a quick swing to create an easy, memorable way to connect away from the booth and continue conversations in a more casual setting. The simulator is open during all Exhibit Hall hours

Exhibit Hall Happy Hour

Wednesday, March 4: 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Happy Hour creates one of the highest-traffic periods in the Exhibit Hall. With education sessions paused, attendees are focused on visiting booths and engaging in more relaxed conversations. Attendees and exhibitors receive two complimentary drinks courtesy of AAOS. Simply scan your badge at any bar located throughout the Exhibit Hall.

Exhibitor Open Forum

Ask an Expert Theater, Booth 4519

Thursday, March 5: 8:00 AM to 8:45 PM

Share your insights and feedback with Academy leadership, staff, and service contractors. This open discussion helps inform future planning and improvements to the Annual Meeting.

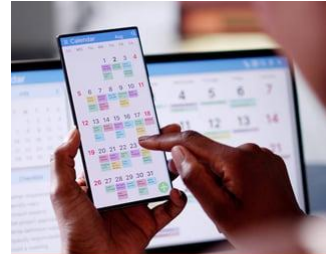
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Important Dates

AAOS 2026

**Exhibit
Dates**

February 24

Pre-Registered Exhibitor Badge
Barcode Emails Sent

February 28 at 1 PM

Onsite Exhibitor Badge Registration
Opens

March 2 at 5 PM

Installation of Exhibit Booth Must Be
Complete

March 3 at 9 AM

Official Opening of the Exhibit Hall

March 4 from 3 - 5 PM

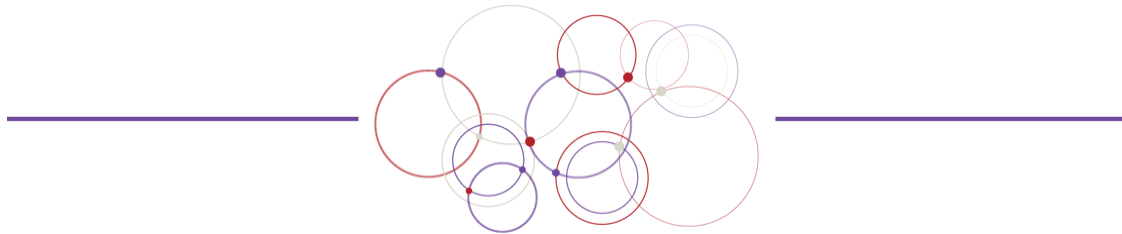
Happy Hour in the Exhibit Hall

March 5 at 8 AM

Exhibitor's Open Forum

March 5 at 3 PM

Official Closing of the Exhibit Hall



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