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## Top News

### COA 2020 Virtual Annual Meeting/QME Course CBones Annual Meeting — Is Now Available Online



COA

The courses are now online and available for your viewing.

If you have pre-registered for the meeting, you should have already received instructions as to how to access the presentations, how to confirm your participation, and how to earn your CME hours:

- Category 1 – 15 hours (including 10 CME hours in radiation safety)
- SAE (10 SAE hours)
- QME (6 QME hours)

If you are pre-registered and have not received the notice, contact the COA office — [admin@coa.org](mailto:admin@coa.org)

For those of you who have not yet registered, it's **not too late!** You can gain access to the meeting by registering here: <https://fs17.formsite.com/COAA/AnnualMeeting/index.html?1588353017759>.

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## DWC Will Reschedule Canceled QME Examination in October



State of California Department of Industrial Relations

The Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) will reschedule the canceled April 18 Qualified Medical Evaluator (QME) examination in October 2020. The exact date will be announced in August after plans have been finalized. DWC canceled the exam due to the COVID-19 pandemic mitigation efforts of the State of California and local county and city governmental authorities. [READ MORE](#)

## Rheumatoid Arthritis: Biologic Dose Cuts Feasible



MedPage Today

Many patients with rheumatoid arthritis (RA) who achieved remission or low disease activity on biologic treatment were able to reduce the dose of their biologic, particularly if they were also on methotrexate, a retrospective study found. [READ MORE](#)

## COVID-19 Guidance

## CMS Sets Phased-In Path to Resume Elective Procedures



Medscape

Federal officials and medical groups are outlining pathways for allowing elective procedures to resume in a phased-in manner when the threat of COVID-19 infection appears to subside in different regions of the United States. Separately, three governors moved last week to ease restrictions on surgeries in their states. [READ MORE](#)

## Care4 Caregivers



California Medical Association

The California Medical Association is proud to announce the launch of its newest wellness program, "[Care 4 Caregivers](#)."

COVID-19 has increased more than ever before the burdens on physicians, nurses, respiratory therapists and other healthcare professionals across the state. In response, CMA and its Physician Wellness Program have launched [Care 4 Caregivers](#), which links healthcare workers in need to peer coaches who can provide much needed care. I'm asking you to please help spread the word about this program to your specialties!

Care providers in need of remote, free and confidential peer care coaching, as well as providers who are willing to serve as coaches, are encouraged to sign up at the [Care 4 Caregivers](#) website. More information specifically for volunteers is available [HERE](#).

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**Adapting Your Practice During  
the COVID-19 Crisis:**

## **Telemedicine and Patient Self-Examination in Orthopedics**

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