

You have made it past the 100s of applications to step into the door of PA education. What's next? Wondering how connect with other PAs and student in our community? Well, OAPA has brought you a chance to network and connect with future preceptors, students and organization that share the same passion for PAs as you. The OAPA Annual Conference is the perfect place for student to share their goals and connect with future employers. Join in a conversation from health systems like Cleveland Clinic and OhioHealth to help you step foot into future job opportunities.

See below for a schedule of student-oriented event happening at the OAPA Annual Conference 2025.

Friday Sept 27

- **OAPA Opening Session** – [7:45 am to 8am]
- **Advancing our legislative agenda in Ohio** - Join [Joanne Pagels](#) to learn how to advocate for PAs and discussing new legislative plans for the 2025.
- **Coffee Break with the Exhibitors** – Enjoy a coffee while learning about new pharmaceutical company that you may be working with in the future such as Abbvie and Jazz Pharmaceutical.
- **Primary Care Management of the Chronic Kidney Disease Patient** – Dive deeper into the CDK with a Professor Amity Arnold from Ashland University PA program.
- **Networking Happy Hour in “the Backyard”** – After all the learning enjoy appetizers and drinks while networking with the PAs of Ohio. A interesting conversation can lead to a possible clinical rotation or job opportunity.
- **Trivia Night** – You are all experts at taking exams in your program. This is the time to show off knowledge with a fun night with your friends and colleagues.

Saturday Sept 27

- **Workshop 1** – Learn or enhance your suturing skills with [Steve Wurzelbacher PA - C](#), from Mercy Health. Learn about hemostasis and wound closure for your surgical rotations.
- **The ABCs of Trauma Resuscitation** – Fuel your adrenal by learning to essential for the life-threatening traumatic injuries with [Morgan Williams PA-C](#) from [University Hospitals](#).
- **Elevated Intracranial Pressure** – Refine your neurology modules with a practicing neurosurgery PA [Emily Kelly](#) from [Ashland University and OhioHealth](#).
- **Career PAtHfinder Event** – is an interactive session exclusive for PA student with personalized mentoring and tools to land a job right after PA school.
- **Physician Assistant Wellbeing** – join the [chair of Wellness and Preventive medicine from Cleveland Clinic](#) - [Dr. Rob Saper](#) to learn about evidence-based model of PA wellbeing and how to apply the mindfulness.
- **How to Stay Healthy as a Busy PA** - learning about lifestyle pillars of health that can help save you from burnout in PA school and while working.