



AMERICAN ACADEMY  
of OPTOMETRY

New Jersey Chapter

**WELCOMES  
ALL  
OPTOMETRISTS  
TO CELEBRATE OUR  
14TH ANNUAL  
EDUCATIONAL  
CONFERENCE**

**FEATURING:**

**Dr. Joseph Sowka, O.D., FAAO,  
Diplomate  
&  
Mile Brujic, OD, FAAO**

**April 13 - 16, 2016  
at  
HILTON EMBASSY SUITES  
Kingston Plantation  
Myrtle Beach, SC**

**DR. JOSEPH SOWKA, O.D., FAAO, DIPLOMATE**

Dr. Joseph Sowka received his Bachelor of Sciences degree from Cornell University, graduating with Distinctions in 1985 and his Doctor of Optometry degree from the Pennsylvania College of Optometry (PCO) in 1989. He completed a Residency in Primary Care at PCO in 1990.

In 1992, Dr. Sowka accepted a university appointment at Southeastern University of the Health Sciences (now Nova Southeastern University). During this time, Dr. Sowka has served as Module Director, Chief of the University's Opa Locka Clinic, Chief of Primary Care, and Director of the Glaucoma Service. While at the University, Dr. Sowka was promoted from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor and finally to Professor. He has developed and teaches the course in Glaucoma and Posterior Segment Disease for the past 17 years. Dr. Sowka has authored numerous refereed journal publications and textbook chapters. Dr. Sowka is on the Editorial Review Board for *Review of Optometry* and is a Contributing Editor for that journal. Dr. Sowka is on the Editorial Review Board for *Optometry- The Journal of the American Optometric Association*. He is the lead author on *The Handbook of Ocular Disease Management*, now in its 14th edition. He also writes with Dr. Alan Kabat the monthly Therapeutic Review column in *Review of Optometry*. Dr. Sowka is a founding member of the Optometric Glaucoma Society (OGS) and the Optometric Retina Society (ORS) and an Executive Board member for both societies. He is also on the Glaucoma Advisory Board for Alcon laboratories. Dr. Sowka is a member of the Professional Speakers Bureau for numerous companies. Dr. Sowka has lectured extensively nationally and internationally. Dr. Sowka is a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry and a Diplomate in Glaucoma. He has held numerous Chair positions within the American Academy of Optometry. Currently, Dr. Sowka is Professor of Optometry at Nova Southeastern University College of Optometry where he serves as Chief of the Advanced Care Center and Director of the Glaucoma Service. He also serves as Chair for the Department of Optometric Clinical Sciences. His clinical responsibilities are devoted exclusively to the diagnosis and care of patients with glaucoma.

**MILE BRUJIC, OD, FAAO**

Mile Brujic, O.D. is a partner of Premier Vision Group, a successful three location optometric practice in Northwest Ohio. He graduated from the New England College of Optometry in 2002. He practices full scope optometry with an emphasis on ocular disease management of the anterior segment, contact lenses and glaucoma. He is active at all levels of organized optometry. Dr. Brujic is on the editorial board for a number of optometric publications. He has published over 200 articles and has given over 1000 lectures, both nationally and internationally on contemporary topics in eye care. Additionally, Dr. Brujic and Dr. Kading own *Optometric Insights* which provides career coaching for optometry students and emerging practitioners. As a practicing clinician, Dr. Brujic has his pulse on the realities of being in the trenches caring for patients and the real challenges and opportunities that exist in eye care. He brings a practical approach to all of the topics that he lectures on. By providing attendees with meaningful, clinically relevant information that can be applied to improve patient care, improve office culture and ultimately improve the practice, Dr. Brujic inspires success to those that he interacts with.

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2016**

### EDUCATION

- 2:30 – 4:30pm CONVERSATIONS IN RETINAL  
VASCULAR & OPTIC NERVE DISEASE  
-SOWKA  
COPE #
- 4:30 – 6:30pm CLINICAL CONUNDRUMS IN  
GLAUCOMA--SOWKA  
COPE#39929-GL

**THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2016**

- 6:00 - 7:00 am BREAKFAST BUFFET

### EDUCATION

- 7:00 – 9:00am DISCUSSIONS IN NEURO-  
OPHTHALMIC DISEASE  
COPE # 40532-NO
- 9:00 – 11:00am ANTERIOR SEGMENT DISEASE  
GRAND ROUNDS--SOWKA  
COPE #38452-AS
- 12:30pm FREE TIME

**FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2016**

- 6:00 - 7:00 am BREAKFAST BUFFET

### EDUCATION

- 7:00 – 9:00am PAIN MANAGEMENT IN PRIMARY  
EYE CARE--BRUJIC  
COPE #42376-PH
- 9:00 – 11:00am OCT: NOT JUST FOR SPECIALITY  
CLINICS ANYMORE--BRUJIC  
COPE #
- 12:30pm FREE TIME

**SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016**

- 6:00 - 7:00 am BREAKFAST BUFFET

### EDUCATION

- 7:00 – 9:00am ANTERIOR SEGMENT ASSAULT,  
TREATING COMMON & UNCOMMON  
CONDITIONS--BRUJIC  
COPE #41603-AS
- 9:00 – 11:00am VIRTUAL CLINICAL CASES FROM THE  
TRENCHES—BRUJIC  
COPE#
- 12:30pm FREE TIME

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*Academy of Optometry would*

*like to thank our attendees for their support of  
our academic and educational endeavours.*

The New Jersey Chapter of the American Academy of Optometry cordially invites **ALL** Optometrists and their guests to four days of luxury accommodations combined with superior continuing education and premium golfing.

We have reserved the Lodges, Villas or the Embassy Suites located inside the Kingston Plantation Resort in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. This resort offers the finest accommodations including:

- Spacious One, Two or Three Room Suites
- Full Breakfast Buffet, daily
- Evening Cocktail Reception with Open Bar

Our program will consist of continuing education in the early morning followed by golfing at the most prominent golf courses in Myrtle Beach, or if you prefer, spending some time exploring the Grand Strand of Myrtle Beach.

- INTERNATIONAL CLUB
- OYSTER BAY
- TBA

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- <http://tinyurl.com/POG-NJAO-2015>

**16 HOURS COPE CE**



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16 Hours of COPE continuing education with the  
following lecturers:

Dr. Joseph Sowka, O.D., FAAO, Diplomate  
Mile Brujic, OD, FAAO

### REGISTRATION:

CE and GOLF ..... \$885  
CE ONLY ..... \$475  
GOLF ONLY ..... \$450

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