

AOA Paraoptometric Examination Study Resources

This document is a list of the recommended AOA study resources that any paraoptometric can use when preparing for a Commission on Paraoptometric Certification (CPC) examination. The listing of these resources does not constitute a CPC endorsement of these sources and does not imply a guarantee that candidates will be successful in passing any CPC examination, if they are used in examination preparation. However, these study materials are created based off the most current CPC Exam Outline.

Majority of the AOA recommended study resources can be found in EyeLearn. To access EyeLearn you will use your AOA credentials. If you do not know your login credentials or need to have a login created, please reach out to our Member Services Department (memberservices@aoa.org).

Please note, EyeLearn is a member benefit which means non-member paraoptometrics will be charged a fee for any EyeLearn content they choose to access.

The next few pages will outline the AOA study resources for each CPC certification level (CPO, CPOA, CPOT & CPOC). If you have any questions about the study materials, please reach out to the Education Center (educationcenter@aoa.org).



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Certified Paraoptometric (CPO):

- Certified Paraoptometric Review Course (CPO):
 - 2023 Paraoptometric Candidate Handbook
 - CPO Exam Outline
 - CPO Study Guide
 - CPO Review Course Webinar
 - Presentation PDF
 - CPO Review Course Follow Up Webinar
 - Presentation PDF
 - Basic Para Terminology PDF
 - Test Taking Tips PDF
- Para Certification Study Halls
- Basic Anatomy and Conditions of the Eye

Certified Paraoptometric Assistant (CPOA):

- Certified Paraoptometric Assistant Review Course (CPOA):
 - 2023 Paraoptometric Candidate Handbook
 - CPOA Exam Outline
 - CPOA Review Course Webinar Part 1 & 2
 - Presentation PDF Part 1 & 2
 - CPOA & CPOT Study Bundle (Only available in AOA Marketplace – PS70)
 - Test Taking Tips PDF
- Para Certification Study Halls

Certified Paraoptometric Technician (CPOT):

- Certified Paraoptometric Technician Review Course (CPOT):
 - 2023 Paraoptometric Candidate Handbook
 - CPOT Exam Outline
 - CPOT Review Course Webinar
 - Presentation PDF
 - CPOA & CPOT Study Bundle (Only available in AOA Marketplace – PS70)
 - Test Taking Tips PDF
- Para Certification Study Halls

Additional Study Resources in EyeLearn

AOA Member Courses:

Topic	Course Title
Ophthalmic Dispensing/Contact Lenses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dispensing for the Stars • Para Speaker Series: Optical Dispensing Gems Learned from Experience • Para Speaker Series - Contact Lenses and All Their Possibilities • Getting Paid for Fitting Contacts
Practice Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hiring the RIGHT people! • The Words to Improve Communication with Patients • Guide to Taking Effective Patient History
Special Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eye Care Update - Part 1 • Eye Care Update - Part 2 • Red Eye Emergencies: What do YOU See? • Practice Success – Diabetes 101 for Paras • Para Speaker Series – Ocular Surgeries and the Role Paraoptometrics Play
Infection Control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basics of Infection Control • Infection Control: Implementation in a Clinical Practice
Paraoptometric Skill Builder®	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginner • Intermediate • Advanced

AOA Non-member Courses:

EyeLearn Course Title
Eye Care Update - Part 1
Eye Care Update - Part 2

Certified Paraoptometric Coder (CPOC) Study Resources

This is an **open-book examination based on ICD-10**. Only the following bound textbooks will be permitted.

- CPT® (Current Procedural Terminology) Standard or Professional Edition (current edition recommended)
- Codes for Optometry (current edition recommended)
- ICD-10-CM International Classification of Diseases (current edition recommended)
- ICD-10-CM the Complete Official Codebook (may say “with guidelines”)

Additional CPOC Study Resources:

- 1) Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®) Standard or Professional Edition (current edition recommended) (not sold through the AOA)
- 2) Certified Paraoptometric Review Course (EyeLearn)
 - Includes CPO Study Guide (downloadable) or digital download in AOA Marketplace (PS-04D)
- 3) Self-Study Course for Paraoptometric Assistants and Technicians (Marketplace - PS01)
- 4) Insurance Processing Flash Cards (Marketplace- PS21)