# Glossary of Osteopathic Acronyms

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AERA – American Educational Research Association
AFDMA – American Fascial Distortion Model Association
AHA – American Hospital Association
AHP – Advocacy for Healthy Partnerships
AHRQ – Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
AIM – Administrators in Medicine
AKOMA – Alaska Osteopathic Medical Association
ALOMA – Alabama Osteopathic Medical Association
AMA – American Medical Association
AMOPS – Association of Military Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons
AOA – American Osteopathic Association
AOAAM – American Osteopathic Academy of Addiction Medicine
AOAO – American Osteopathic Academy of Orthopedics
AOAPRM – American Osteopathic Association of Prolotherapy Regenerative Medicine
AOASM – American Osteopathic Academy of Sports Medicine
AOBA – American Osteopathic Board of Anesthesiology
AOBD – American Osteopathic Board of Dermatology
AOBEM – American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine
AOBFP – American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians
AOBIM – American Osteopathic Board of Internal Medicine
AOBNM – American Osteopathic Board of Nuclear Medicine
AOBNMM – American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine
AOBNP – American Osteopathic Board of Neurology and Psychiatry
AOBOG – American Osteopathic Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology

AOBOO-HNS – American Osteopathic Board of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery

AOBOS – American Osteopathic Board of Orthopedic Surgery

AOBP – American Osteopathic Board of Pediatrics

AOBPa – American Osteopathic Board of Pathology

AOBPM – American Osteopathic Board of Preventive Medicine

AOBPMR – American Osteopathic Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

AOBPR – American Osteopathic Board of Proctology

AOBR – American Osteopathic Board of Radiology

AOBS – American Osteopathic Board of Surgery

AOCA – American Osteopathic College of Anesthesiologists

AOCAI – American Osteopathic College of Allergy and Immunology

AOCD – American Osteopathic College of Dermatology

AOCOO-HNS – American Osteopathic Colleges of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery

AOCOPM – American Osteopathic College of Occupational and Preventive Medicine

AOCP – American Osteopathic College of Pathologists

AOCPMR – American Osteopathic College of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

AOCPr – American Osteopathic College of Proctology

AOCR – American Osteopathic College of Radiology

AOF – American Osteopathic Foundation

AOIA – American Osteopathic Information Association

AOGME – Assembly of Osteopathic Graduate Medical Educators

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AOMA – Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association, Arkansas Osteopathic Medical Association
AOSED – Association of Osteopathic State Executive Directors
AOSRD – American Osteopathic Society of Rheumatic Diseases
APA – American Psychological Association
ARCOM – Arkansas College of Osteopathic Medicine
ASPE – Association of Standardized Patient Educators
ATP – Association of Test Publishers
ATSU-KCOM – A.T. Still University – Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine
ATSU-SOMA – A.T. Still University – School of Osteopathic Medicine in Arizona
BAA – business associate agreement
BAR – Bureau of Affiliate Relations
B/C/C – bureaus, councils and committees
BCOM – Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine
BEL – Bureau of Emerging Leaders
BIOM – Bureau of International Osteopathic Medicine
BOE – Bureau of Osteopathic Education
BFHP – Bureau on Federal Health Programs
BOM – Bureau of Membership
BORPH – Bureau of Osteopathic Research and Public Health
BOS – Bureau of Osteopathic Specialists
BOT – Board of Trustees
CAGOS – Committee on AOA Governance and Organizational Structure
CAH – critical access hospital
CAP – Clinical Assessment Program
CAQ – Certification of Added Qualifications
CASTF – College Accreditation Standards Task Force
CBS – Certifying Board Services
CBT – computer-based testing
CCCP – Core Competency Compliance Program
CDC – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CERA – Council on Economic and Regulatory Affairs
CME – continuing medical education
CMMI – Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation
CMS – Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Council of Medical Specialty Societies
CMSS – Council of Medical Specialty Societies
COA – Canadian Osteopathic Association
COCA – Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation
CODE – Center for Osteopathic Data on Education
COGMED – Council on Osteopathic Graduate Medical Education Development
COMAT – Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Achievement Test
COMATAC – Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Achievement Test Advisory Committee
COMSAE – Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Self-Assessment Examination
COMVEX – Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Variable-Purpose Examination
CoPs – Medicare Conditions of Participation
COM – college of osteopathic medicine
COMLEX-USA – Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Licensing Examination

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COMS – Connecticut Osteopathic Medical Society
COSGP – Council of Osteopathic Student Government Presidents
CPE – Coalition for Physician Enhancement
CPEP – Center for Personalized Education for Physicians
CPT – Current Procedural Terminology
CSEC – Clinical Skills Evaluation Collaboration
CSHA – Council on State Health Affairs
CSOM – Colorado Society of Osteopathic Medicine
CSQ – Certification of Special Requirements
CST – Clinical Skills Testing
CSTAC – Clinical Skills Testing Advisory Committee
CUSOM – Campbell University Jerry M. Wallace School of Osteopathic Medicine
DDEF – Dale Dodson Education Fund
DGME – direct graduate medical education
DGR – Department of Government Relations
DME – director of medical education
DMU-COM – Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine
DO – doctor of osteopathic medicine
DSOMS – Delaware State Osteopathic Medical Society
ECFMG – Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates
ECOP – AACOM Educational Council on Osteopathic Principles
EHR – electronic health records
EMR – electronic medical records
ERAS – Electronic Residency Application Service
ERBAC – Ethics Review and Board Appeals Committee
FDA – Food and Drug Administration
FOMA – Florida Osteopathic Medical Association
FQHC – federally qualified health center
FSMB – Federation of State Medical Boards
FTE – full time equivalent
GA-PCOM – Georgia Campus-Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine
GME – graduate medical education
GOAL – Grassroots Osteopathic Action Link
GOMA – Georgia Osteopathic Medical Association
HAOPS – Hawaii Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons
HFAP – Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program
HHS – Department of Health and Human Services
HIPAA – Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
HIT – health information technology
HOD – AOA House of Delegates
HPSA – health professional shortage area
HRSA – Health Resources and Services Administration
HVLA – high-velocity, low-amplitude
IAMRA – International Association of Medical Regulatory Authorities
ICD-10 – 10th revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems
IEC – Internship Evaluating Committee
IHS – Indian Health Service
IME – indirect medical education
IMG – international medical graduate
IOA – Indiana Osteopathic Association
IOM – Institute of Medicine
IOMS – Illinois Osteopathic Medical Society
IOPA – Idaho Osteopathic Physicians Association
IPAB – Independent Payment Advisory Board
IPPS – Federal Inpatient Prospective Payment System
IRIS – Intern and Resident Information System
IRRP – Intern and Resident Registration Program
ITAB – Information Technical Advisory Board
JBHBRC – Joint Board/House Budget Review Committee
JCQP – AOA Joint Committee on Quality and Payment
KAOM – Kansas Association of Osteopathic Medicine
KCU-COM – Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences’ College of Osteopathic Medicine
KOMA – Kentucky Osteopathic Medical Association
LCME – Liaison Committee on Medical Education
LECOM – Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine
LECOM-Bradenton – Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine-Bradenton
LECOM-Seton Hill – Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine – Seton Hill
LMU-DCOM – Lincoln Memorial University-DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine
LUCOM – Liberty University College of Osteopathic Medicine
LOMA – Louisiana Osteopathic Medical Association
LRP – loan repayment program
MAOP – Maryland Association of Osteopathic Physicians
MAOPS – Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons
MC – Medical Corps
MD – medical doctor
MEC – Medical Education Committee
MedPAC – Medicare Payment Advisory Commission
MOA – Maine Osteopathic Association, Michigan Osteopathic Association
MOC – Maintenance of Certification
MOL – Maintenance of Licensure
MOMA – Mississippi Osteopathic Medical Association, Montana Osteopathic Medical Association
MOMS – Minnesota Osteopathic Medical Society
MOS – Massachusetts Osteopathic Society
MOU – memorandum of understanding
MSN – Media Spokespersons Network
MSUCOM – Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine
MSUCOM-DMC – Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine Detroit Medical Center
MSUCOM-MUC – Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine Macomb University Center
MU-COM – Marian University College of Osteopathic Medicine

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MWU/AZCOM – Midwestern University/Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine

MWU/CCOM – Midwestern University/Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine

NAOF – National Association of Osteopathic Foundations

NBME – National Board of Medical Examiners

NBOME – National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners

NCOMA – North Carolina Osteopathic Medical Association

NHOA – New Hampshire Osteopathic Association

NHSC – National Health Service Corps

NIH – National Institutes of Health

NJAOOPS – New Jersey Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons

NMM – neuromusculoskeletal medicine

NMOMA – New Mexico Osteopathic Medical Association

NMS – National Matching Services

NOAC – National Osteopathic Advocacy Center

NOM – National Osteopathic Medicine

NOMA – National Osteopathic Medical Association, Nebraska Osteopathic Medical Association, Nevada Osteopathic Medical Association

NOMF – Northwest Osteopathic Medical Foundation

NPDB – National Practitioner Data Bank

NPI – National Provider Identifier

NQF – National Quality Forum

NRMP – National Resident Matching Program

NSU-COM – Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine

NYITCOM – New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine
NYSOMS – New York State Osteopathic Medical Society
OCC – Osteopathic Continuous Certification
ORDF – Osteopathic Research and Development Fund
OFRF – Osteopathic Family Relief Fund
OGME – osteopathic graduate medical education
OHF – Osteopathic Heritage Foundation
OIA – Osteopathic International Alliance
OME – osteopathic medical education
OMED – Osteopathic Medical Conference and Exposition
OMERI – Osteopathic Medical Education Research Institute
OMM – osteopathic manual medicine, osteopathic manipulative medicine
OMP – Osteopathic Medical Profession (Report)
OMS – osteopathic medical student
OMT – osteopathic manipulative treatment
OOA – Ohio Osteopathic Association, Oklahoma Osteopathic Association
OPAC – Osteopathic Political Action Committee
OPAIM – Osteopathic Performance Assessment and Improvement Module
OPAN – Osteopathic Public Awareness Network
OPTI – Osteopathic Postdoctoral Training Institutions
OPDA – Organization of Program Director Associations
OPP – osteopathic principles and practice
OPSC – Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of California
OPSO – Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Oregon
ORHP – Office of Rural Health Policy

OSU-COM – Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences College of Osteopathic Medicine

OU-HCOM – Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine

PAC – President’s Advisory Council

PCMH – patient-centered medical home

PCOM – Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine

PCORI – Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute

PCPCC – Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative

PD – program director

PECOS – Provider Enrollment, Chain and Ownership System

PGY – postgraduate year

PHI – protected health information

PNWU-COM – Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences, College of Osteopathic Medicine

POMA – Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association

PQRS – Physician Quality Reporting System

PTRC – Program Trainee Review Council

RISOPS – Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons

ROME – Regional Osteopathic Medical Education

RowanSOM – Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine

RRC – Residency Review Committee

RTT – rural training track

RUC – AMA/Specialty Society Relative Value Scale Update Committee
RVU – relative value unit

RVUCOM – Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine

RVS – relative value scale

SAS – single accreditation system

SCH – sole community hospital

SCOMS – South Carolina Osteopathic Medical Society

SGA – State Government Affairs

SGR – sustainable growth rate

SOMA - Student Osteopathic Medical Association

SOME – Society of Osteopathic Medical Educators

SOPP – Scope of Practice Partnership

SOSE – Society of Osteopathic Specialty Executives

SPC – Strategic Planning Committee

SPEC – Specialty College Evaluating Committee

SRC – Standards Review Committee

THCGME – Teaching Health Center Graduate Medical Education

TIVRA – Trainee Information, Verification and Registration Audit

TOMA – Tennessee Osteopathic Medical Association, Texas Osteopathic Medical Association

TouroCOM-Harlem – Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine in New York City

TUCOM – Touro University California, College of Osteopathic Medicine

TUNCOM – Touro University Nevada College of Osteopathic Medicine

UGME – undergraduate medical education

UIWSOM – University of the Incarnate Word School of Osteopathic Medicine

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UMDNJ-SOM – University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey-School of Osteopathic Medicine

UNECOM – University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine

UNTHSC/TCOM – University of North Texas Health Science Center Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine

UOMA – Utah Osteopathic Medical Association

UP-KYCOM – University of Pikeville-Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine

USMLE – U.S. Medical Licensing Examination

USPHS – U.S. Public Health Service

USPSTF – U.S. Preventive Services Task Force

VA – U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

VCOM–Auburn – Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine-Auburn Campus

VCOM–Carolinanas – Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine-Carolinanas Campus

VCOM–Virginia – Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine-Virginia Campus

VSAOPS - Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons

VOMA – Virginia Osteopathic Medical Association

WAOPS – Wisconsin Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons

WCUCOM – William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine

WesternU/COMP-Northwest – Western University of Health Sciences College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Northwest

WesternU/COMP-Pacific – Western University of Health Sciences College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific

WHA – World Health Assembly

WHO – World Health Organization

WOMA – Washington Osteopathic Medical Association
WVOMA – West Virginia Osteopathic Medical Association

WVSOM – West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine