

POP

Month 2026

**Workplace Celebration
TOOLKIT**



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Organized by the American Board for Certification in Orthotics, Prosthetics & Pedorthics (ABC), POP Month is a month-long celebration of the prosthetic, orthotic and pedorthic (POP) profession. It recognizes, motivates and inspires professionals across the country.

There are more than 15,000 POP professionals across the United States making a profound difference for patients and families. Whether a technician, patient care provider, student, resident, teacher, researcher or advocate, each individual's role is vital to the profession's future and we salute them!

POP Month recognizes and celebrates these significant contributions while inspiring the current and future workforce.

Organizations across the country are holding appreciation events throughout March to celebrate the work of their POP teams. We hope you will join us! To that end, we have developed event ideas and sample materials to help you get the ball rolling.

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If you have any questions, reach out to Info@WhatsPOP.org. Additional POP Month materials can be found on popmonth.org.



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Sample Event Invitation

Two to three weeks before your event, send an email invitation to your staff/employees/faculty and student email lists. A sample can be found below.

New message

To:

Subject line: **March Date:** Celebrating YOU this POP Month!

On March [Date], please join us for a celebratory [breakfast/lunch/etc.] as an expression of our sincere appreciation for your hard work as prosthetic, orthotic and pedorthic (POP) professionals/students. Every day, your dedication and passion for helping people improve mobility make a significant difference.

This March marks POP Month 2026, a month-long celebration that brings employers, educational programs and advocacy organizations together to recognize the work of POP professionals/students like you who do their best to help patients live the fullest lives possible.

We're excited to celebrate your great work on [date] at [time] in [location] [over breakfast/lunch/mid-afternoon treat, if appropriate]!

RSVP to attend the event: [Link or contact email]

Reach out to [Name] at [Email] with any questions.

Thanks,

[Employer Name]

Send



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Suggested Event To Dos & Timeline

Two to Three Weeks Before Event

- ✓ Determine date/time and distribute event invite
- ✓ Place catering order for refreshments
- ✓ Determine who will 'host' event and give prepared remarks
- ✓ Assign staff member to take photos/video of the event for posting (#POPmonth2026)
- ✓ Purchase or acquire flatware, plates, cups and napkins

During Event

- ✓ Assign one or more team members to greet everyone as they arrive
- ✓ Host gives brief appreciation remarks
- ✓ Attendees enjoy refreshments and mingle with colleagues
- ✓ Share photos on website and social media feeds, including #POPmonth2026



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Event Ideas

There are many ways to celebrate your team during POP Month, and every organization's approach will be unique. Here are a few starter ideas for how you could format your event:

Name a POP Champion

Recognize one or more team members who are 'POP Champions' — because they consistently go above and beyond, provide exceptional service to colleagues and patients and demonstrate pride and enthusiasm for the POP profession. Print and award each POP Champion with a [certificate](#) and consider featuring them in your organization's e-newsletter and/or social media channels.

Share Your POP Stories

Encourage attendees to share their POP stories, beginning with the individual who is serving as the event host. Some prompts or conversation starters could include:

- My POP story began with...
- One POP patient I'll never forget is...
- My POP mentor inspired me by...
- I'm excited about the future of POP because...

Reward Commitment with a Raffle

Perhaps everyone who attends the event could have their name entered into a raffle drawing at the event's conclusion. The winner could receive a modest token of recognition—from an e-gift card to a local restaurant to an extra vacation day to take during POP Month 2026.



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Sample Talking Points for Event Host

Below find brief, customizable remarks to give during your POP Month celebration event.

- Hello, and thank you all for joining us today!
- We're so excited to celebrate the hard work of our [Organization] team members during this special [breakfast/lunch] event.
- You are not just invaluable members of our [Organization] team but are part of an incredible community of more than 15,000 prosthetic, orthotic and pedorthic professionals who make a profound difference for patients, their families and their communities.
- March is POP Month, a time when we at [Organization] can come together to recognize your unwavering dedication to your [patients and colleagues/fellow students and faculty] alike.
- Today, we want to say a sincere "thank you" for all that you do and let you know how much your contributions mean to our organization.
- In conclusion, thank you for attending today's event, and for the meaningful work you put into making a difference. Enjoy!



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How to Share Event Photos on Social Media

Use the templates below to curate celebratory posts from your event on social media. Please use #POPmonth2026 and tag the WhatIsPOP and ABC accounts in your posts.

LinkedIn/Facebook



Celebrating #POPmonth2026 and showing appreciation of employees goes hand-in-hand. That's why our team at [Organization] came together to celebrate our hardworking team of **p**rosth**e**tic, **o**rthotic and **p**ed**o**rthic (POP) professionals. POP professionals continuously make a difference by helping people regain mobility and consistently do their best work. Check out photos from our POP Month employee appreciation event!

Follow @What Is POP & @American Board for Certification in Orthotics, Prosthetics & Pedorthics, Inc. to join the celebrations and visit popmonth.org to learn more.

[PHOTOS]

Instagram



POP professionals at [Organization] make a significant difference in the lives of their patients, patients' families and colleagues. We're so proud to celebrate their accomplishments every day, especially during #POPmonth2026 in March (organized by @abc.opp). Check out photos from our celebratory [Event Name] and learn more at popmonth.org.

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For all posts, tag the WhatIsPOP and ABC accounts:



Instagram: [@what.is.pop](https://www.instagram.com/what.is.pop) / [@abc.opp](https://www.instagram.com/abc.opp)



TikTok: [@whatispop](https://www.tiktok.com/@whatispop)



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