



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Preconference

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

1:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Exhibitor Registration
3:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Conference Registration

Day 1

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

7:00 am – 8:00 pm	Conference Registration
7:00 am – 8:00 am	Complimentary Coffee and Bakery Items <i>(For Master Course Participants Only)</i>
8:00 am – 12:00 pm	Hands-on Master Course: <i>Advanced Laparoscopic Suturing – for the Gynecologist, Urologist, and General and Robotic Surgeon</i> Co-Directors: Charles H. Koh, MD, Grace Liu, MD Faculty: Mireille Truong, MD 8:00am – 8:30am Introduction, Disclosures, Objectives, Simulation Course Overview Charles H. Koh, MD 8:30am – 8:45am Pretest 8:45am – 9:00am Managing Needles, Suture, Loading, Driving, and Knotting Grace Liu, MD 9:00am – 10:00am Lab 1: Drills, Intracorporeal Suturing - Basic 10:00am – 10:15am Expert Knot Tying, Continuous Suturing, Cinch & Reeder's Knots Mireille Truong, MD

10:15am – 11:15am Lab 2: Drills for Expert Knot Tying
11:15am – 11:30am Posttest
11:30am – 12:00pm Results of Pre and Posttest. Questions,
Evaluations and Adjourn

8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Hands-on Master Course:

Hysteroscopy/Office-Based Hysteroscopy

Director: Radha Syed, MD; Co-Director: Ceana Nezhat, MD

8:00am – 8:15am Introduction:
Discuss objectives, indications, methods of assessing
uterine cavity - understanding of need to have this tool
in every Gyn office
Radha Syed, MD
8:15am – 8:30am Equipment Required for Office Hysteroscopy
Ceana Nezhat MD
8:30am - 8:45am Complications of Office Hysteroscopy and Operative
Hysteroscopy
Ceana Nezhat MD
8:45am – 9:00am Is Operative Hysteroscopy Feasible in Office?
Radha Syed MD
9:00am – 9:15am Q&A
9:15am – 11:30am Hysteroscopy Skills Workshop
Ceana Nezhat, MD and Radha Syed, MD
11:30am – 11:55am Q&A Post Workshop
12:00pm Adjourn

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Hands-on Master Course:

The Pain Challenge: Achieving Optimal Outcomes in Minimally Invasive Surgery

Director: Jorge F. Carrillo, MD, MHPE

Faculty: Mario Castellanos, MD, Georgine Lamvu, MD, MPH, CPE

1:00pm – 1:05pm Welcome & Overview of Course
Jorge F. Carrillo, MD, MHPE
1:05pm – 1:35pm Peri-Operative Pain Management in the Era of ERAS
Protocols. How Can We Better Manage Patients
with Complex Pain?
Georgine Lamvu, MD, MPH, CPE
1:35pm – 1:45pm Q&A
1:45pm – 2:25pm Identifying Abdominal Trigger Points and Neuralgias in
Peri-Operative Settings – Dissecting the Different Types
of Pain
Jorge F. Carrillo, MD, MHPE
2:25pm – 2:35pm Q&A
2:35pm – 3:05pm Office Procedures for Pain Management that Every
Surgeon Should Know – Nerve Blocks and TPI
Mario Castellanos, MD
3:05pm – 3:15pm Q&A

3:15pm – 3:25pm Break
 3:25pm – 4:55pm Case based activity (50 mins) and Hands-on practice procedures (40 mins)
 4:55pm – 5:00pm Adjourn

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Hands-on Master Course: <i>Transforming Surgical Practice with Artificial Intelligence</i> Director: Paul G. Toomey, MD Co-Director: Artur Horimoto, B.Eng 1:00pm – 1:10pm Introduction 1:10pm – 2:00pm <u>Session 1</u>: AI Foundations & Everyday Efficiency: AI fundamentals and how it eliminates inefficiencies in personal and professional life. 2:00pm – 2:50pm <u>Session 2</u>: AI for Medical Practice Growth & Optimization: How AI enhances communication, marketing, and patient engagement while reducing workload. 2:50pm – 3:40pm <u>Session 3</u>: AI for Clinical Excellence & Surgical Innovation: How AI enhances surgical precision. 3:40pm – 4:30pm <u>Session 4</u>: The Future of AI in Surgery & Leadership: Leveraging AI for professional leadership, financial growth, and futuristic medical innovation. 4:30pm – 4:50pm <u>Course Recap</u>: 5-Minute Rapid Recap: Key takeaways from all stations. 4:50pm – 5:00pm <u>Prizes and Course Evaluation</u>: The Top performer in each session will win a free AI strategy consultation. There will be a Raffle for a VIP AI Business Growth Session with Dr. Toomey.
5:15 pm – 6:30 pm	Opening Ceremony
5:15 pm – 5:20 pm	Opening Remarks & Delegates Welcome Raymond J. Lanzafame, MD, MBA
5:20 PM – 5:25 PM	Introduction of SLS President: Sharona Ross, MD Radha Syed, MD
5:25 PM – 5:35 PM	SLS Presidential Welcome Sharona Ross, MD
5:35 PM – 5:40 PM	Affiliate Societies Welcome Maurice K. Chung, RPh, MD, Dr.h.c
5:40 PM – 5:45 PM	Introduction of Keynote Speaker: Patricia Turner, MD, MBA, FACS Raymond J. Lanzafame, MD, MBA

5:45 PM – 6:15 PM

Keynote Presentation

The Changing Surgical Workforce

Keynote Speaker: Patricia L. Turner, MD, MBA, FACS

Executive Director & CEO at American College of Surgeons

6:15 PM – 6:30 PM

AWARD PRESENTATIONS

Director: Raymond J. Lanza fame, MD, MBA

Co-Director: Sharona Ross, MD

- The Medical Educator Consortium Award for Best Scientific Paper
- Michael S. Kavic Award for Best Scientific Paper by a Resident
- Paul Alan Wetter Award for Best Multispecialty Scientific Paper
- Carl J. Levinson Award for Best Video
- Harrieth M. Hasson Award for Best Presentation Promoting Education & Training
- Award Winning Scientific Papers & Videos

FELLOWSHIP RECOGNITION

CORPORATE RECOGNITION

Recognition of Sponsors/Corporate Members/Innovations of the Year

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

e-Poster Viewing Open

Co-Directors: Michael S. Kavic, MD and José Nieves-Sosa, MD

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Welcome Reception in Exhibit Hall

Day 2

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

7:00 am – 5:00 pm

Conference Registration

7:00 am – 7:30 am

Complimentary Coffee and Bakery Items / Visit Exhibits / Product Presentations by Exhibitors

7:00 am – 5:00 pm

Exhibits Open

7:00 am – 5:00 pm

e-Poster Viewing Open

Co-Directors: Michael S. Kavic, MD and José Nieves-Sosa, MD

7:30 am – 7:45 am

Highlights

7:45 am – 8:45 am

Multidisciplinary Plenary Session

A Robot in Every OR: Myth or Reality?

Director: Sharona Ross, MD

Faculty: Tanuja Damani, MD, FACS, Rahila Essani, MD FACS FASCRS, Mark O'Hern, MHA

7:45am – 7:48am Introduction

Sharona Ross, MD

7:48am – 8:03am Form and Function, Which One(s) Do I Need?

Rahila Essani, MD, FACS, FASCRS

8:03am – 8:18am An Economic Reality Check, Prices, Logistics, Interoperability

Mark O'Hern, MHA

8:18am – 8:36am Training and Credentialing on Multiple Platforms

Consensus Standards for Robotic Training Programs

Tanuja Damani, MD, FACS

8:36am – 8:44am Panel Discussion / Q&A

8:44am – 8:45am Concluding Remarks

8:45 am – 9:45 am

Multidisciplinary Plenary Session

What's New in Simulation and Using Simulation Without a SIM Center

Co-Directors: Ian Hodgdon, MD, Mirielle Truong, MD

Faculty: John E. Morrison, MD, FACS, DRHC, MAMSE, Lauren Siff, MD

8:45am – 8:57am Think Outside the Sim: Creative Solutions for Resource Limited Surgical Training

Mireille Truong, MD

8:57am – 9:09am Using Nontraditional Resources to Aid in Surgical Education

Ian A. Hodgdon, MD

9:09am – 9:21am Transforming Surgical Education: Leveraging VR Technologies

Lauren Siff, MD

9:21am – 9:33am Surgical Bootcamp: How to Implement a Successful Longitudinal Simulation Curriculum

John E. Morrison, MD, FACS, DrHC, MAMSE

9:33am – 9:45am Q&A

9:45 am – 10:15 am	Nezhat Family Lectureship Camran Nezhat, MD, Ceana Nezhat, MD, Farr Nezhat, MD
9:45 am – 9:50 am	Introduction Ceana Nezhat, MD
9:50 am – 10:10 am	<i>New Frontiers in Fluorescent Image Guided Surgery</i> Speaker: Raul J. Rosenthal, MD, FACS, FASMBS Division Chief, at the Department of Surgery Division of General Surgery David Geffen School of Medicine at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
10:10 am – 10:15 am	Q & A
10:15 am – 10:45 am	Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits / Product Presentations by Exhibitors
10:45 am – 12:45 pm	Multidisciplinary Plenary Session (Non-CME) <i>The Present and Future of Robotic Surgery</i> Director: Sharona Ross, MD
12:45 pm – 1:00 pm	Moderator Briefing Raymond J. Lanzafame, MD, MBA
12:45 pm – 2:00 pm	Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits / Product Presentations by Exhibitors
2:00 pm – 5:45 pm	Concurrent Presentation Sessions Scientific Papers / Videos
2:00 pm – 5:45 pm	Global Perspectives in MIS Director: Maurice K. Chung, RPh, MD, Dr.h.c Co-Directors: Megan Kennedy Burns, MD, MA and Phillip P. Shadduck, MD, Dr.h.c.
2:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Poster Town Hall (Non-CME) Co-Directors: Michael S. Kavic, MD and José Nieves-Sosa, MD
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Special Event: Resident, Fellow, New Member Meet & Greet

Day 3

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2025

7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Conference Registration
7:00 am – 7:30 am	Complimentary Coffee and Bakery Items / Visit Exhibits / Product Presentations by Exhibitors
7:00 am – 2:00 pm	Exhibits Open
7:00 am – 2:00 pm	e-Poster Viewing Open Co-Directors: Michael S. Kavic, MD and José Nieves-Sosa, MD
7:30 am – 7:45 am	Highlights
7:45 am – 9:00 am	Multidisciplinary Plenary Session <i>Artificial Intelligence in Surgery: Enhancing Patient Care, Optimizing Workflows, and Lessons from Military Medicine</i> Director: Paul G. Toomey, MD, FACS Faculty: Brad Bichey, MD, MPH, Artur Horimoto, B.Eng, Hassan Tetteh, MD, MBA, MPA, MS, FACS, FAMIA, MAMSE 7:45am – 7:48am Introductions Paul G. Toomey, MD, FACS 7:48am – 7:51am Opening Video 7:51am – 8:05am AI's Role in Enhancing Patient Care 8:05am – 8:20am AI for Workflow Optimization & Surgical Efficiency 8:20am – 8:32am AI Lessons from Military Medicine & High-Stakes Decision Making 8:32am – 8:44am The Future of AI in Surgery: Challenges, Ethics, and Opportunities 8:44am – 8:48am Closing Remarks & Key Takeaways 8:48am – 9:00am Q&A Discussion
9:00 am – 10:00 am	Multidisciplinary Plenary Session <i>Wellbeing and the Surgeon</i> Director: Juan Salgado-Morales, MD, FACOG, FACS, MIGS Co-Director: John E. Morrison, MD, FACS, DrHC, MAMSE Faculty: Cara King, DO, MS, Thiers Soares Raymundo, MD, Dr.h.c. 9:00am – 9:05am Introduction Juan Salgado-Morales, FACOG, FACS, MIGS

	9:05am – 9:15am Achieving Work-life Balance Does Residency Programs Prepare Surgeons to Deal with Stress, Make a Balance with Personal Life and Profession? John E. Morrison, MD, FACS, DrHC, MAMSE 9:15am – 9:25am Psychologic Impact of Complications Are We Preparing to Deal with Complications? Thiers Soares Raymundo, MD, Dr.h.c. 9:25am – 9:35am Resilience in the OR: Navigating Stress in High Intensity Training Cara King, DO, MS 9:35am – 9:45am Imposter Syndrome, Reality or Myth Juan Salgado-Morales, MD, FACOG, FACS, MIGS 9:45am - 10:00am Q&A
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Gustavo Stringel Awards for Best Poster, Best Poster by a Student, Best Poster by a Resident Co-Directors: Michael S. Kavic, MD and José Nieves-Sosa, MD
10:15 am – 10:45 am	Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits / Product Presentations by Exhibitors
10:45 am – 12:30 pm	Surgical Surprises Video Session - When the Unexpected Happens Director: Phillip P. Shadduck, MD, Dr.h.c. Co-Directors: Silvio Alen Canton, MBBS, Jessica Opoku-Anane, MD, MS
12:30 pm – 2:00 pm	Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits / Product Presentations by Exhibitors
2:00 pm – 5:45 pm	Global Perspectives in MIS Director: Maurice K. Chung, RPh, MD, Dr.h.c Co-Directors: Megan Kennedy Burns, MD, MA and Phillip P. Shadduck, MD, Dr.h.c.
2:00 pm – 5:45 pm	Concurrent Presentation Sessions Scientific Papers / Videos

Day 4

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2025

7:00 am- 10:30am	Conference Registration
7:30 am – 8:45 am	Breakfast with the 2025 Excel Award Recipient: Thomas S. Lendvay, MD Director: Raymond J. Lanzafame, MD, MBA
7:30 am – 8:00 am	Breakfast Served
8:00 am – 8:15 am	Highlights
8:15 am – 8:25 am	Introduction of the Excel Award Recipient Raymond J. Lanzafame, MD, MBA
8:25 am – 8:40 am	Presentation by the Excel Award Recipient <i>Empowering Surgeons to be Entrepreneurs</i> Thomas S. Lendvay, MD
8:40 am – 8:45 am	Presentation of Excel Award
8:45 am – 9:15 am	Janis Chinnock Wetter Award Recipient: Linda Steckley, MBA
8:45 am – 8:55 am	Introduction of Janis Chinnock Wetter Award Recipient Raymond J. Lanzafame, MD, MBA
8:55 am – 9:10 am	Presentation by the Janis Chinnock Wetter Award Recipient <i>SLS: The Earliest Days</i> Linda Steckley, MBA
9:10 am – 9:15 am	Presentation of the Janis Chinnock Wetter Award
9:15 am – 10:05 am	Future Technology Session with Keynote Speaker: Emmanuel Urquieta, MD, MS, FAsMA Director: Raymond J. Lanzafame, MD, MBA Co-Director: Richard M. Satava, MD
9:15 am – 9:20 am	Introduction of Keynote Speaker Richard M. Satava, MD

9:20 am – 10:05 am	Keynote Presentation <i>Scalpels in Space: Autonomous Robotic Surgery for Mars Missions</i> Emmanuel Urquieta, MD, MS, FAsMA
10:05 am – 10:10 am	Closing Ceremony – Passing the Presidential Gavel from President Sharona Ross, MD to President-Elect Ian A. Hodgdon, MD
10:10 am – 11:00 am	SLS Business Meeting and Post Conference Evaluation
11:00 am – 12:30 pm	JSLs Editorial Board Meeting

Agenda is subject to change