



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>
8:00 am – 12:00 pm	Hands-on Master Course: <i>Hysteroscopy/Office-Based Hysteroscopy</i>
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Hands-on Master Course: <i>Mastering Pain Management Before and After Minimally Invasive Surgery Including Office Procedures for Pain</i>

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm **Hands-on Master Course:**
Artificial Intelligence

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**
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. Lanzafame, 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
 - Harrith M. Hasson Award for Best Presentation Promoting Education & Training
 - Award Winning Scientific Papers & Videos
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FELLOWSHIP RECOGNITION

CORPORATE RECOGNITION

Recognition of Sponsors/Corporate Members/Innovations of the Year

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm **e-Poster Viewing Open**

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**

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

- Form and Function, Which One(s) Do I Need?
 - Training and Credentialing on Multiple Platforms
 - Consensus Standards for Robotic Training Programs
 - An Economic Reality Check, Prices, Logistics, Interoperability
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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, Lauren Siff, MD

9:45 am – 10:15 am **Nezhat Family Lectureship**
Co-Director: Camran Nezhat, MD
Co-Director: Ceana Nezhat, MD
Co-Director: Farr Nezhat, MD

Speaker: Raul J. Rosenthal, MD, FACS, FASMBS
Regional Chair, Digestive Disease & Surgical Institute / Department Chair,
Bariatric & Metabolic Surgery and General Surgery Cleveland Clinic
Florida

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)**
The Present and Future of Robotic Surgery
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**

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm **Poster Town Hall (Non-CME)**

Time TBA **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

7:30 am – 7:45 am

Highlights

7:45 am – 9:00 am

Multidisciplinary Plenary Session

Artificial Intelligence in Surgery

Director: Paul G. Toomey, MD

Faculty: Martin A. Martino, MD; Gustavo Carvalho, MD, PhD; Radha Syed, MD

9:00 am – 10:00 am

Multidisciplinary Plenary Session

Wellbeing and the Surgeon

Director: Juan Salgado Morales, MD

Co-Director: John Morrison, MD

Faculty: Cara King, DO, Thiers Soares Raymundo, MD

- Introduction
Juan Salgado Morales, MD
 - 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
 - Psychologic Impact of Complications
Are We Preparing to Deal with Complications?
Thiers Soares Raymundo, MD
 - Resilience in the OR: Navigating Stress in High Intensity Training
Cara King, DO
 - Imposter Syndrome, Reality or Myth
Juan Salgado-Morales, MD
 - Q&A
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10:00 am – 10:15 am	Gustavo Stringel Awards for Best Poster, Best Poster by a Student, Best Poster by a Resident
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
12:30 pm – 2:00 pm	Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits / Product Presentations by Exhibitors
2:00 pm – 5:45 pm	Global Perspectives in MIS
2:00 pm – 5:15 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 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
8:25 am – 8:40 am	Presentation by the Excel Award Recipient
8:40 am – 8:45 am	Presentation of Excel Award
8:45 am – 9:15 am	Janis Chinnock Wetter Award

8:45 am – 8:55 am	Introduction of Janis Chinnock Wetter Award Recipient Award Recipient: Linda Steckley, MBA
8:55 am – 9:10 am	Presentation by the Janis Chinnock Wetter Award Recipient
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
9:15 am – 9:20 am	Introduction of Keynote Speaker
9:20 am – 10:05 am	Keynote Presentation
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