



## PRELIMINARY AGENDA

### Preconference

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

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

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### Day 1

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

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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	<b>Hands-on Master Course:</b> <b><i>Advanced Laparoscopic Suturing – for the Gynecologist, Urologist, and General and Robotic Surgeon</i></b>  Co-Directors: Charles H. Koh, MD, Grace Liu, MD  Faculty: Mireille Truong, MD
8:00 am – 12:00 pm	<b>Hands-on Master Course:</b> <b><i>Hysteroscopy/Office-Based Hysteroscopy</i></b>

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12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

**LUNCH ON YOUR OWN**

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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

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1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

**Hands-on Master Course:**

***Transforming Surgical Practice with Artificial Intelligence***

Director: Paul Toomey, MD

Co-Directors: Artur Horimoto, B.Eng & Chinthu Deepu

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5:15 pm – 6:30 pm

**Opening Ceremony**

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5:15 pm – 5:20 pm

**Opening Remarks & Delegates Welcome**

Raymond J. Lanzafame, MD, MBA

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5:20 PM – 5:25 PM

**Introduction of SLS President: Sharona Ross, MD**

Radha Syed, MD

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5:25 PM – 5:35 PM

**SLS Presidential Welcome**

Sharona Ross, MD

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5:35 PM – 5:40 PM

**Affiliate Societies Welcome**

Maurice K. Chung, RPh, MD, Dr.h.c

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5:40 PM – 5:45 PM

**Introduction of Keynote Speaker: Patricia Turner, MD, MBA, FACS**

Raymond J. Lanzafame, MD, MBA

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5:45 PM – 6:15 PM

**Keynote Presentation**

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

Executive Director & CEO at American College of Surgeons

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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**

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**CORPORATE RECOGNITION**

Recognition of Sponsors/Corporate Members/Innovations of the Year

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6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

**e-Poster Viewing Open**

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6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

**Welcome Reception in Exhibit Hall**

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## **Day 2**

### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025**

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7:00 am – 5:00 pm

**Conference Registration**

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7:00 am – 7:30 am

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

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7:00 am – 5:00 pm

**Exhibits Open**

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7:00 am – 5:00 pm

**e-Poster Viewing Open**

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7:30 am – 7:45 am

**Highlights**

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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

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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, 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

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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

Director, Bariatric & Metabolic Institute

Cleveland Clinic Weston, Florida

Clinical Professor of Surgery

Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine at

Case Western Reserve University

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10:15 am – 10:45 am

**Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits / Product Presentations by Exhibitors**

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10:45 am – 12:45 pm

**Multidisciplinary Plenary Session (Non-CME)**

*The Present and Future of Robotic Surgery*

Director: Sharona Ross, MD

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12:45 pm – 1:00 pm

**Moderator Briefing**

Raymond J. Lanzafame, MD, MBA

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12:45 pm – 2:00 pm

**Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits / Product Presentations by Exhibitors**

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2:00 pm – 5:45 pm

**Concurrent Presentation Sessions**

Scientific Papers / Videos

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2:00 pm – 5:45 pm

**Global Perspectives in MIS**

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2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

**Poster Town Hall (Non-CME)**

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**Special Event: Resident, Fellow, New Member Meet & Greet**

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# Day 3

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2025

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7:00 am – 5:00 pm	<b>Conference Registration</b>
7:00 am – 7:30 am	<b>Complimentary Coffee and Bakery Items / Visit Exhibits / Product Presentations by Exhibitors</b>
7:00 am – 2:00 pm	<b>Exhibits Open</b>
7:00 am – 2:00 pm	<b>e-Poster Viewing Open</b>
7:30 am – 7:45 am	<b>Highlights</b>
7:45 am – 9:00 am	<b>Multidisciplinary Plenary Session</b> <b><i>Artificial Intelligence in Surgery: Enhancing Patient Care, Optimizing Workflows, and Lessons from Military Medicine</i></b> 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

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9:00 am – 10:00 am

**Multidisciplinary Plenary Session**

***Wellbeing and the Surgeon***

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

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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**

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10:15 am – 10:45 am

**Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits / Product Presentations by Exhibitors**

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10:45 am – 12:30 pm

**Surgical Surprises Video Session - When the Unexpected Happens**

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12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

**Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits / Product Presentations by Exhibitors**

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2:00 pm – 5:45 pm

**Global Perspectives in MIS**

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2:00 pm – 5:15 pm

**Concurrent Presentation Sessions**

Scientific Papers / Videos

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# Day 4

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2025

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7:00 am- 10:30am	<b>Conference Registration</b>
7:30 am – 8:45 am	<b>Breakfast with the 2025 Excel Award Recipient:</b> <b>Thomas S. Lendvay, MD</b> Director: Raymond J. Lanzafame, MD, MBA
7:30 am – 8:00 am	<b>Breakfast Served</b>
8:00 am – 8:15 am	<b>Highlights</b>
8:15 am – 8:25 am	<b>Introduction of the Excel Award Recipient</b> Raymond J. Lanzafame, MD, MBA
8:25 am – 8:40 am	<b>Presentation by the Excel Award Recipient</b> <b>Empowering Surgeons to be Entrepreneurs</b> <b>Thomas S. Lendvay, MD</b>
8:40 am – 8:45 am	<b>Presentation of Excel Award</b>
8:45 am – 9:15 am	<b>Janis Chinnock Wetter Award</b>
8:45 am – 8:55 am	<b>Introduction of Janis Chinnock Wetter Award Recipient</b> Award Recipient: Linda Steckley, MBA
8:55 am – 9:10 am	<b>Presentation by the Janis Chinnock Wetter Award Recipient</b>
9:10 am – 9:15 am	<b>Presentation of the Janis Chinnock Wetter Award</b>
9:15 am – 10:05 am	<b>Future Technology Session with Keynote Speaker</b>
9:15 am – 9:20 am	<b>Introduction of Keynote Speaker</b>
9:20 am – 10:05 am	<b>Keynote Presentation</b>
10:05 am – 10:10 am	<b>Closing Ceremony – Passing the Presidential Gavel</b> from President Sharona Ross, MD to President-Elect Ian A. Hodgdon, MD
10:10 am – 11:00 am	<b>SLS Business Meeting and Post Conference Evaluation</b>

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11:00 am – 12:30 pm

**JSLs Editorial Board Meeting**

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*Agenda is subject to change*