

**The 8th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Pain and Neuroscience:  
“Intelligence Meets Human Insight: *Where data and discovery unite to transform patient care*”**

Fontainebleau, Miami Beach, Florida

July 16-19, 2026

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<b>Wednesday, July 15, 2026</b>			
<b>Time (EDT)</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Faculty</b>
12:00-5:00P	Fleur de Lis	Intracapt Certification Course Sponsored by Palladium Sponsor Boston Scientific Invitation Only <i>*Not part of the CME Program. No CME Credits Available</i>	
1:00-5:00P	Fontaine Ballroom	ASPN Hands on Lab Setup	
3:00-5:00P	Luster Lobby	Early Check-In for ASPN Lab attendees	

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<b>Thursday, July 16, 2026</b>		
<b>6:30A</b>	<b>Luster Lobby</b>	<b>Registration and check-in for Lab</b>
<b>7:00-7:45A</b>	<b>Glimmer 1-4 (4th Floor)</b>	<b>Breakfast Sponsored by Silver Sponsor Ferring Pharmaceuticals</b>  <i>Clinical Efficacy and Safety of SI-6603 (condoliase) in Lumbar Disc Herniation: Topline US Phase 3 Results and Long-Term Findings</i> <b>Timothy R. Deer, MD and Christopher J. Gilligan MD, MBA</b>  <i>Sponsored symposia will NOT be part of the CME program, nor eligible for CME credit</i>
<b>8:00A-4:00P</b>	<b>Sparkle Ballroom</b>	<b>Exhibitor Set up</b>
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<b>8:00-8:30A</b> <b>From Great Idea to Term Sheet—or Trash Bin - What Venture Capitalists Really Look For</b> <b>Moderated by Erika Petersen, MD</b> <b>Panelists: Kris Krustangel, Jim Youssef, MD, Rob Faulkner, Brad Maruca, Jeff Cambra, Dan Brounstein</b>	<b>Station 1</b> <b>DRG</b> <b>Morad Nasser, MD, Warren Lee Grace III, MD, Jonathan E Silverman, MD</b>	<b>Head &amp; Cervical Spine</b> <b>Hesham Elsharkawy, MD, MBA</b> <b>Upper Extremity</b> <b>Leia Rispoli, MD</b> <b>Lower Extremity – Hip &amp; Knee</b> <b>Neal Rakesh, MD</b> <b>Thoracic &amp; Abdominal Applications</b> <b>David Reece, DO</b> <b>Lumbar / Sacral + Technical Optimization</b> Amitabh Gulati, MD <b>Ankle &amp; Peripheral Nerve Applications</b> <b>Adnan Al-Kaisy, MB ChB</b>



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<b>9:30-10:00A</b> <b><i>AI Without the Hype—or the Risk - Where Artificial Intelligence Helps—and Where It Hurts</i></b> <b>Moderated by Usman Latif, MD, MBA</b> <b>Panelists: Prof. Kevin Fu, Timothy T. Davis, MD, Leon Anijar, MD, Robert Moghim, MD, James Cavuoto</b>	Station 8 Closed Loop Spinal Cord Stimulation David Abejón, MD, PhD, Marcin Karcz, MD, PhD, Lucas Bracero, MD, MBA, Christopher A. Gilmore, MD, Chau Vu, MD	



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<p><b>10:00-10:30A</b>  <b><i>The Next Decade of Neurotech - What's Coming, What's Hype, and What Will Change Everything</i></b>  <b>Moderated by Timothy T. Davis, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Adrian Kimber, E. Jeffrey Donner, MD, Rob Binney, Nandan Lad, MD, PhD, Erich W. Wolf II, MD, PhD, Jon Ruais</p>	<p>Station 9            Micro IPG Peripheral Nerve Stimulation            Omar Viswanath, MD, Eric G. Cornidez, MD, MBA, Eugene Wang, MD</p>	<p><b>Head &amp; Cervical Spine</b>            Hesham Elsharkawy, MD, MBA  <b>Upper Extremity</b>            Leia Rispoli, MD  <b>Lower Extremity – Hip &amp; Knee</b>            Neal Rakesh, MD  <b>Thoracic &amp; Abdominal Applications</b>            David Reece, DO</p>	<p><b>10:00-10:10 AM</b>  <b><i>Welcome and Introduction</i></b>  <b>Zohra Hussaini, MSN, FNP-BC, MBA, Casey Grillo, FNP-C</b></p>
<p><b>10:30-11:00A</b>  <b><i>Collaboration or Conflict? How Physicians Work with Industry Without Crossing the Line</i></b>  <b>Moderated by Dawood Sayed, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Allen Burton, MD, Laurie Cigan, Tiffany Dunn, Marshall Bedder, MD</p>	<p>Station 10            Posterior Intra Articular Technique            Douglas P. Beall, MD, Mansoor M. Aman, MD, Emanuel Narcis Husu, MD</p>	<p><b>Lumbar / Sacral + Technical Optimization</b>            Amitabh Gulati, MD  <b>Ankle &amp; Peripheral Nerve Applications</b>            Adnan Al-Kaisy, MB ChB</p>	<p><b>10:10-11:00 AM</b>  <b><i>Pain Detective: Hands-On PE Skills to Differentiate Hip, SI, and Lumbar Pathology</i></b>  <b>Chad B. Stephens, DO, Morteza Rabii, DNP, APRN, AGPCNP-BCC, Zohra Hussaini, MSN, FNP-BC, MBA</b></p>



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<b>11:00-11:10A</b> <b>ASPAN Top Abstract</b> <i>First-in-Human Simultaneous All-Electrode Recording of Biosignals from Percutaneous PNS Leads in Chronic Pain Patients</i> <b>Timothy R. Deer, MD</b>	Station 11 Percutaneous image-guided Lumbar Decompression Matt Skoblar, DO, Sushanth Boda, DO	<b>Head &amp; Cervical Spine</b> Hesham Elsharkawy, MD, MBA <b>Upper Extremity</b> Leia Rispoli, MD <b>Lower Extremity – Hip &amp; Knee</b> Neal Rakesh, MD <b>Thoracic &amp; Abdominal Applications</b> David Reece, DO <b>Lumbar / Sacral + Technical Optimization</b> Amitabh Gulati, MD <b>Ankle &amp; Peripheral Nerve Applications</b> Adnan Al-Kaisy, MB ChB	<b>11:00-11:30 AM</b> <b>Artificial Intelligence in Pain Management: What APPs Need to Know</b> <b>Usman Latif, MD, MBA</b>
<b>11:10-11:20A</b> <b>ASPAN Top Abstract</b> <i>Average CIPN Pain Scores by Chemo type Following Magnetic Peripheral Nerve Stimulation(mPNS) Axon™ Therapy</i> <b>Marshall Bedder, MD</b>			
<b>11:20-11:30A</b> <b>ASPAN Top Abstract</b> <i>From Waiting Room to Living Room: KAINETIC Decentralized Using Virtual Clinic-Guided Mobility and Narrative Capture</i> <b>David Dickerson, MD</b>	Station 12 BVNA Jack Smith, MD, Michael E. Farrell II, MD DC		<b>11:30 AM-12:00 PM</b> <b>From Injections to Interventions: Navigating Minimally Invasive Spine Options in Clinical Practice</b> <b>Timothy R. Deer, MD</b>
<b>11:30A-12:00P</b> <b>Closing Remarks, Neurotech Networking and Mingling</b>			



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<p>12:00-1:00P</p>	<p><b>Lunch Sponsored by Diamond Sponsor SPR</b>  <b>Room Name: Glimmer 1-4 (4th Floor)</b></p> <p><i>Between Two Palms: A Stimulating Conversation with Host David Dickerson, MD and Special guests: Christopher A. Gilmore, MD, Amitabh Gulati, MD, Usman Latif, MD, MBA, Denise Lester, MD, and Ramana K. Naidu, MD</i></p> <p><i>Sponsored symposia will NOT be part of the CME program, nor eligible for CME credit</i></p>		
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<p><b>1:10 PM – Welcome: Changing the Paradigm of Pain Research</b></p> <p><b>Course Directors: Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD</b>  <b>Co-Chairs: Hemant Kalia, MD</b>  <b>Organizing Committee: Eugene Wang, MD, and Kai McGreevy, MD</b></p>	<p>Station 1        DRG        Morad Nasser, MD, Warren Lee Grace III, MD, Jonathan E Silverman, MD</p>	<p><b>BMAC</b> – Sudhir Diwan, MD  <b>mFAT</b> – Timothy T. Davis, MD, Aaron K. Calodney, MD</p>	<p><b>1:00-1:20 PM</b></p> <p><b><i>Cracks in the Back: Vertebral Fractures: Recognition and Management</i></b></p> <p><b>Nomen Azeem, MD, Jill Study, NP</b></p>
<p><b>1:15-1:45 PM</b></p> <p><b>Big Challenges in Data Collection: <i>What is the FDA looking for and how to incorporate research into your practice</i></b>  <b>Moderated by Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD, Kai McGreevy, MD</b>  <b>Faculty:</b> Allen Burton, MD, Kimberly Thomas-Pollei, PhD, Scott Kreiner, MD, Peter Staats, MD, MBA, Mary Keszler, MD, Nick Knezevic, MD, PhD</p>	<p>Station 2        Fluoroscopy-guided High-intensity Focused Ultrasound (HIFU) Neurotomy        Leonardo Kapural, MD, PhD, Ofer M. Wellisch, MD, MPH</p>	<p><b>PRP/Protein Concentrate</b> - Ryan Budwany, MD, Vwaire Orhurhu, MD</p> <p><b>Business of Regenerative Medicine</b> - Ariana DeMers, DO</p>	<p><b>1:20-1:40 PM</b></p> <p><b><i>Peripheral Nerve Stimulation Unplugged Panel</i></b></p> <p><b>Moderated by David Dickerson, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Knell Villarta, PA-C, Amy Yates, NP, Nicole A. Busch, MSN, APRN, AGCNS-BC</p>

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<b>TED Style Presentations from Hot Basic Science Topics</b>  <b>1:45 PM <i>Novel Bio Markers for Pain Using Radioactive Ligands</i></b> <b>Presented by Jennifer Hah, MD</b>  <b>1:55 PM <i>Optogenetics</i></b> <b>Presented by Samarendra Mohanty, PhD, Yotam Eldar, MD</b>  <b>2:05 PM <i>Novel Injectable Electrode Technology</i></b> <b>Presented by Manfred Franke, PhD</b>  <b>2:15 PM <i>New drug targets / HIFU</i></b> <b>Presented by Nandan Lad, MD, PhD</b>  <b>2:25 PM <i>Q and A (All faculty)</i></b>  <b>Co-Moderators Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD and Kai McGreevy, MD</b>	<p>Station 3 Spinal Cord Stimulation David W. Lee, MD, Jennifer Marie Lee, MD</p> <hr/> <p>Station 4 60-Day EPG Peripheral Nerve Stimulation Vafi Salmasi, MD, Christopher A. Gilmore, MD, Mark F. Hurdle, MD, Lucas Bracero, MD, MBA</p> <hr/> <p>Station 5 ASPAN CARES: Targeted Drug Delivery Tolga Suvar, MD, Matthew Chung, MD</p>	<p><b>BMAC</b> – Sudhir Diwan, MD</p> <p><b>mFAT</b> – Timothy T. Davis, MD, Aaron K. Calodney, MD</p> <p><b>PRP/Protein Concentrate</b> - Ryan Budwany, MD, Vwaire Orhurhu, MD</p> <p><b>Business of Regenerative Medicine</b> - Ariana DeMers, DO</p>	<p><b>1:40-2:00 PM</b>   <b><i>Buprenorphine in Pain Practice: A Case-Based Approach</i></b>   <b>Patrick McGinn, PA</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>2:00-2:30 PM</b>   <b><i>Translating Policy &amp; Evidence into best practice: an APPS role</i></b>   <b>Jacqueline Weisbein, DO</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>2:30-2:40 PM</b>   <b>Coffee Break</b></p>



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<p><b>2:40-2:55 PM</b></p> <p><b>ASPAN Ally Program: Advocacy and Coverage Determinants</b></p> <p>A premier partnership opportunity with the American Society of Pain &amp; Neuroscience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Advocacy:</b> The ASPAN Reimbursement &amp; Regulatory Affairs division actively engages in health policy and advocacy at local state and federal level to promote access for evidenced based therapies, exclusively representing the interests of its members.</li> <li><b>ASPAN Coverage Determinants, Appropriate Use Case.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Hemant Kalia, MD</b></p>	<p>Station 6 Intrathecal Programming and Pump Refill Edward Podgorski, MD, Timothy R. Lubenow, MD</p> <hr/> <p>Station 7 BVNA Greg Moore, MD, Gurtej Singh, MD, Michael E. Farrell II, MD DC, Lucas Bracero, MD, MBA</p>	<p><b>BMAC</b> – Sudhir Diwan, MD</p> <p><b>mFAT</b> – Timothy T. Davis, MD, Aaron K. Calodney, MD</p> <p><b>PRP/Protein Concentrate</b> - Ryan Budwany, MD, Vwaire Orhurhu, MD</p> <p><b>Business of Regenerative Medicine</b> - Ariana DeMers, DO</p>	<p><b>2:40-3:30 PM</b></p> <p><b><i>So You Think You Know Neuromodulation? A Game Show for APPs</i></b></p> <p><b>Host: Kristen Durkin, RN, AGNP-C</b></p>



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<p><b>2:55-3:10 PM</b>  <b>Jigsaw/Knowledge Café:</b> Collaboration in Industry – Society – Academia Partnerships  <b>Moderator: Hemant Kalia, MD, and Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Peter Staats, MD, MBA, Greg Przyblyski, MD (CIGNA Medical Director), Jason McKittrick (President of OBFA)</p>	<p>Station 8            Closed Loop Spinal Cord Stimulation            David Abejón, MD, PhD, Marcin Karcz, MD, PhD, Lucas Bracero, MD, MBA, Christopher A. Gilmore, MD, Chau Vu, MD</p>	<p><b>BMAC</b> – Sudhir Diwan, MD  <b>mFAT</b> – Timothy T. Davis, MD, Aaron K. Calodney, MD</p>	
<p><b>3:10: Policy Roundtable: <i>Prior Authorization Reform—What’s Working, What Isn’t?</i></b></p> <p>CMS Final Rule for Medicare Advantage Plans for 2027, WiSER in 2026, ASC Model (Value Based Contracting) 2027</p> <p><b>Moderated by Mark N. Malinowski, DO, Hemant Kalia, MD, MPH</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Greg Przyblyski, MD (CIGNA Medical Director)</p>	<p>Station 9            Micro IPG Peripheral Nerve Stimulation            Omar Viswanath, MD, Eric G. Cornidez, MD, MBA</p>	<p><b>PRP/Protein Concentrate</b> - Ryan Budwany, MD, Vwaire Orhurhu, MD  <b>Business of Regenerative Medicine</b> - Ariana DeMers, DO</p>	<p><b>2:40-3:30 PM</b></p> <p><b><i>So You Think You Know Neuromodulation? A Game Show for APPs</i></b></p> <p><b>Host: Kristen Durkin, RN, AGNP-C</b></p>



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<b>3:20: Innovator's Prescription:</b> Collaborative Solution for Disruptive Innovation and Successful Path for Reimbursement <b>Moderated by Hemant Kalia, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Jason McKittrick (President of OBFA), Curtis Anderson, MD (Past President OEIS + RUC advisor)	Station 10 Posterior Intra Articular Technique Douglas P. Beall, MD, Mansoor M. Aman, MD, Emanuel Narcis Husu, MD	<b>BMAC</b> – Sudhir Diwan, MD  <b>mFAT</b> – Timothy T. Davis, MD, Aaron K. Calodney, MD	<b>3:30-4:00 PM</b> <b>Stopping the Pain at the Source: DRG and Causalgia Panel</b>  <b>Moderated by Denis G. Patterson, DO</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Jill Study, NP, Amy Yates, NP, Morteza Rabii, DNP, APRN, AGPCNP-BCC, Casey Grillo, FNP-C
<b>3:35: Town Hall: Open Mic for Policy and Research Priorities</b> <b>Moderator: Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD, Hemant Kalia, MD, Tariq Alfarrar, MD</b> <b>Panelists: All Faculty</b>	Station 11 Percutaneous image-guided Lumbar Decompression Matt Skoblar, DO, Sushanth Boda, DO	<b>PRP/Protein Concentrate</b> - Ryan Budwany, MD, Vwaire Orhurhu, MD  <b>Business of Regenerative Medicine</b> - Ariana DeMers, DO	
	Station 12 BVNA Jack Smith, MD, Michael E. Farrell II, MD DC		<b>4:00 PM</b> <b>Evals and Closing</b> <b>Ashley G. Comer, APRN, NP-C, Morteza Rabii, DNP, APRN, AGPCNP-BCC</b>



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Thursday, July 16, Evening Events			
4:00-5:30P	Glimmer 1-4	<b>Poster to Podium Program Presentations</b> <b>Meet &amp; Greet Sponsored by Mai Medical USA</b>  <i>*Not part of the CME program</i>	<b>Erika A. Petersen, MD, Melissa Murphy, MD, Benjamin Gill, DO, MBA</b> <b>All Attendees Welcome, Including Industry</b>
5:30-8:00P	Offsite	<b>Young Innovators Pickleball Tournament and Reception Sponsored by Silver Sponsor Aurora Spine</b> <b>Presentation of the Young Innovator Award</b> <b>Hosted by Young Innovator Co-Chairs: Vinny Francio, MD, and Anuj Shah, DO</b>  <i>*Not part of the CME program</i>	
5:30P	Mirabella	<b>Regenerative Medicine Committee Happy Hour Sponsored by ReActiv8</b> <b>Presentation from Timothy Deer, MD</b>  <i>*Not part of the CME program</i>	
7:30P	Flicker 1-3	<b>Spinal Simplicity Private Event</b>  <i>*Not part of the CME program</i>	

Friday, July 17, 2026		
Time (EDT)	Location	
6:30A	Luster Lobby	Registration Opens
6:30-7:15A	Glimmer 5 Terrace (4 <sup>th</sup> Floor)	ESSETRICS – Sponsored by Silver Sponsor ReActiv8



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7:00-7:45A	Glimmer 1-4 (4th Floor)	<b>Breakfast Symposium Sponsored by Gold Sponsor Nalu Medical</b>  <i>Advancing Treatment Options For Chronic Focal Neuropathic Pain</i> <b>Lindsay Carter, MSN, FNP-C, John A. Hatheway, MD, Evan Peskin, MD, MBA, Eric G. Cornidez, MD, MBA</b> <b>Opening remarks by Jim Cassidy, President of Boston Scientific Neuromodulation</b>  <i>Sponsored symposia will NOT be part of the CME program, nor eligible for CME credit</i>	
<b>General Session:</b> <b>Room Name: Fontaine</b>			
8:00-8:10A	<b>Welcome to ASPAN PAIN 2026:</b> <b>Intelligence Meets Human Insight: <i>Where data and discovery unite to transform patient care</i></b>	<b>Timothy R. Deer, MD, and Dawood Sayed, MD</b>	
8:10-8:15A	<b>Introduction of the Best Research and Abstracts of ASPAN 2026</b>	<b>David W. Lee, MD, Kasra Amirdelfan, MD</b>	
<b>Minimally Invasive Spine</b> <b>Moderated by Kasra Amirdelfan, MD, Adnan Al-Kaisy, MB ChB</b>			
<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speakers</b>	
8:15-8:25A	<b>ASPAN Top Abstract: <i>Long-term Outcomes Following Decompression Versus Fusion Surgery for Lumbar Spondylolisthesis: A Retrospective Cohort Study</i></b>	<b>Timothy R. Deer, MD</b>	
8:25-8:40A	<b>The New MIS Paradigm: Smarter, Smaller and Less Invasive</b>	<b>Moderated by Timothy R. Deer, MD, Dawood Sayed, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Jad Khalil, MD, Kasra Amirdelfan, MD, Douglas P. Beall, MD, Ashley Bailey-Classen, DO, Jessica Jameson, MD, Erika A. Petersen, MD, Steven M. Falowski, MD	
8:40-8:55A	<b>Minimally Invasive Spine Complications: Prevention, Recognition and Collaborative Management</b>	<b>Moderated by Michael J. Dorsi, MD, Iden Cowan, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Sigurd H. Berven, MD, Pierce D. Nunley, MD, Frank M. Phillips, MD, Daniel Denis, MD, Pankaj Mehta, MD, Jennifer Marie Lee, MD, Chad B. Stephens, DO	



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8:55-9:10A	<b>Modern SI Joint Fusion:</b> Why It's Moving Up the Treatment Pathway	<b>Moderated by Angel Boev, MD, Soriaya Motivala, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Pankaj Mehta, MD, Aileen Padilla, DO, Patrick Buchanan, MD, Michael J. Dorsi, MD, Chris Bovinet, DO, Jad Khalil, MD
9:10-9:25A	<b>Surgeons and Interventionalists:</b> Elevating Patient Care Together	<b>Moderated by Timothy R. Deer, MD, Dawood Sayed, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Sigurd H. Berven, MD, Frank M. Phillips, MD, Arash Sayari, MD, Iden Cowan, MD, Steven M. Falowski, MD, Kiran V. Patel, MD
<b>Artificial Intelligence</b>		
<b>Moderated by Robert Moghim, MD, John V. Prunskis, MD</b>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speakers</b>
9:25-9:35A	<b>ASPAN Top Abstract Neural Panel Study: Interim Analysis of a Multicenter Evaluation of a Next-Generation, Automated Programming Platform with Advanced Sensing Technology</b>	<b>Kasra Amirdelfan, MD</b>
9:35-9:50A	<b>Current Artificial Intelligence Platforms for Clinical Efficiency: Can AI Do It All?</b>	<b>Moderated by Usman Latif, MD, MBA, Robert Moghim, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Matthew T. Ranson, MD, Alaa Abd-Elseyed, MD, Vinny Francio, MD, Jennifer Hah, MD, Suzanne Manzi, MD, Helen M. Blake, MD, MBA, Ryan Budwany, MD, MBA
9:50-10:05A	<b>Patient Compliance in the Era of Artificial Intelligence: Tools to Improve Patient Education</b>	<b>Moderated by Chris Massey, MD, Nandan Lad, MD, PhD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Usman Latif, MD, MBA, Robert Levy, MD, PhD, Johnathan Goree, MD, Ty Ptacek, MD, Lisa R. Kroopf, MD, Robert Moghim, MD, Ryan Budwany, MD, MBA
10:05-10:20A	<b>Artificial Intelligence to Enhance Clinical Decision Making: The Tipping Point for Improved Care</b>	<b>Moderated by Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD, Kiran V. Patel, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Christopher Robinson, MD, PhD, John V. Prunskis, MD, Morad Nasser, MD, Stanley Golovac, MD, Ellen Lin, MD, Chau M. Vu, MD

10:20-10:40A	Sparkle Ballroom	<p><b>Break with Exhibits and Abstract Poster Viewing</b></p> <p><b>In-Booth Demo – Sponsored by Platinum Sponsor Saluda Medical</b>  <b>In-Booth Demo – Sponsored by Platinum Sponsor Medtronic</b>  <b>In-Booth Demo – Sponsored by Bronze Sponsor Bioventus</b></p> <p><b>Product Theater – Sponsored by BoltNav</b>  <i>Handheld, Image-Guided Percutaneous Procedures in the ASC: Assessment of BOLT® Navigation with SMART(TM) C-Arm Technology: Early Data and Experience</i>  Presented by Angel Boev, MD, Timothy Deer, MD, Brian Durkin, DO</p> <p><i>*Not part of the CME program</i></p>
<p><b>General Session</b>  Room Name: Fontaine Ballroom  <b>Ablative Therapies</b>  Moderated by <b>George E. Girardi, MD, Christopher K. Kim, MD</b></p>		
Time	Topic	Speakers
10:45-10:55A	<p><b>ASPN Top Abstract: <i>Intraosseous Basivertebral Nerve Ablation for chronic vertebrogenic pain: real-world outcomes from the IMPROVE prospective multicenter study</i></b></p>	<p><b>Ramana K. Naidu, MD</b></p>
10:55-11:10A	<p><b>The Next Frontiers in Basivertebral Nerve Ablation</b></p>	<p><b>Moderated by Jad Khalil, MD, Ramana K. Naidu, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Morad Nasser, MD, Brian Durkin, DO, Kiran V. Patel, MD, Edward S. Yoon, MD, Jessica Jameson, MD, Jack Smith, MD</p>
11:10-11:25A	<p><b>Latest Advancements in Ablative techniques:</b> HIFU, Advanced Needle Design, Thermal ablation, Cooled ablation, Cryoablation</p>	<p><b>Moderated by Amitabh Gulati, MD, Helen M. Blake, MD, MBA</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Michael Gofeld, MD, PhD, Leonardo Kapural, MD, PhD, Maged Guirguis, MD, Melissa Murphy, MD, Caitlin D. Tourjé, MD, Edward S. Yoon, MD</p>



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11:25-11:40A	<b>Optimizing Identification of Pain Generators in Axial Chronic Low Back Pain: A Targeted Approach to Diagnosis and Treatment Algorithms</b>	<b>Moderated by Christopher A. Gilmore, MD, John S. Michels, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Benjamin Gill, DO, MBA, Christopher Lam, MD, Douglas P. Beall, MD, Chau M. Vu, MD, Helen M. Blake, MD, MBA, Jeffrey E. Arle, MD, PhD
11:40-11:55A	<b>Introducing the ASPAN Registry: Evidence Built by Clinicians, for Clinicians</b>	<b>Presented by Usman Latif, MD, MBA, Nomen Azeem, MD, Timothy T. Davis, MD</b>
11:55A-12:00P	<b>Transition to Lunch</b>	
12:00-1:00P	<b>Lunch Symposium Sponsored by Palladium Sponsor Abbott</b>  <i>Where Innovation Meets Evidence: A Full Portfolio Approach To Better Outcomes</i> <b>Iden Cowan, MD, Timothy R. Deer, MD, David Dickerson, MD, Steven M. Falowski, MD, FAANS, Pankaj Mehta, MD</b>  <b>Room Name: Glimmer 1-4</b> <i>Sponsored symposia will NOT be part of the CME program, nor eligible for CME credit</i>	
12:00-1:00P	<b>Lunch Symposium Sponsored by Palladium Sponsor Boston Scientific</b>  <i>Advancing Science for the Future of Interventional Pain Care</i> <b>Moderator: Soriaya Motivala, MD</b> <b>Panelists: Michael Esposito, MD, Manny Gage, MD, Eric G. Cornidez, MD, MBA, Ramana K. Naidu, MD</b>  <b>Room Name: Glimmer 5-7</b> <i>Sponsored symposia will NOT be part of the CME program, nor eligible for CME credit</i>	



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12:00-1:00P	<p><b>Lunch Symposium Sponsored by Titanium Sponsor Vertex Pharmaceuticals</b></p> <p><i>Exploring Selective Sodium Channel Inhibition for the Management of Acute Pain</i>  <b>Moderated by: Jai Mehta, MD, MBA, FASA</b>  <b>Panelists: Leonard Kapural, MD, PhD, Dawood Sayed, MD</b></p> <p><b>Room Name: Flicker 1-3</b>  <i>Sponsored symposia will NOT be part of the CME program, nor eligible for CME credit</i></p>	
1:00-1:10P	<p><b>Transition to Session</b></p>	
<p><b>General Session</b>  <b>Room Name: Fontaine Ballroom</b>  <b>Masters of Industry</b>  <i>*Not part of the CME program</i></p>		
Time	Topic	Speakers
1:10-1:30P	<p><b>Building Category Defining Companies in Pain and Spine: Leadership Lessons from Industry Perspectives</b></p> <p><i>*Not part of the CME program</i></p>	<p>Moderated by Timothy Deer, MD, Dawood Sayed, MD  <b>Panelists: Maria Bennett (President, CEO &amp; Founder, SPR), Aure Bruneau (CEO, Curonix), Tom West (President &amp; CEO, Nalu), Jason Hannon (CEO, Mainstay), Shanth Thiyagalingam (CEO, PainTEQ), Laura Francis (CEO, SI-BONE), Todd Moseley (CEO, Spinal Simplicity), Aurora Spine</b></p>
1:30-1:50P	<p><b>From Innovation to Impact in Pain Management: How Executives Align Intelligent Technology with Real World Care</b></p> <p><i>*Not part of the CME program</i></p>	<p>Moderated by Timothy Deer, MD, Dawood Sayed, MD  <b>Panelists: Barry Regan (CEO, Saluda Medical), Rebecca Wilkins (Divisional Vice President of Research &amp; Development, Abbott), Scott Kreiner, MD (CMO, Neuromodulation, BSCI), Ash Sharan, MD (CMO, Neuromodulation, Medtronic), Anthony Williams (President, Nevro)</b></p>



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1:50-2:20P	Sparkle Ballroom	<p><b>Break with Exhibits and Abstract Poster Viewing</b></p> <p><b>Product Theater sponsored by Silver Sponsor Aurora Spine</b>  <i>SI &amp; L5/S1 Fusion: Evidence Then. Outcomes Now. Innovation Ahead.</i>  <b>Pankaj Mehta, MD</b></p> <p><b>In Booth Demo Sponsored by Diamond Sponsor SPR</b>  <b>In Booth Demo Sponsored by Pacira</b></p> <p><i>*Not part of the CME program</i></p>	
<p><b>Latest Advancements in Spine Surgery</b>  <b>Room Name: Fontaine Ballroom</b>  <b>Moderated by Eric T. Lee, MD, Matthew T. Ranson, MD</b></p>			
Time	Topic	Speakers	
2:20-2:30P	<p><b>ASPAN Top Abstract <i>Integrating Dorsal Root Ganglion Stimulation with Transforaminal Lumbar Interbody Fusion: Proof-of-Concept Study Clinical Outcomes</i></b></p>	<p><b>Michael Park, MD, PhD</b></p>	
2:30-2:45P	<p><b>Lumbar Spinal Stenosis in 2026:</b> Open, Endoscopic, or Percutaneous and Why It Matters</p>	<p><b>Moderated by Angel Boev, MD, Rebecca Sanders, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Frank M. Phillips, MD, Manish Raj, MD, Harry P. Sukumaran, MD, Ali Valimahomed, MD, Theresa Williamson, MD, Jeffrey E. Arle, MD, PhD</p>	
2:45-3:00P	<p><b>Endoscopic Spine Care:</b> Where Evidence is Catching Up to Innovation</p>	<p><b>Moderated by Gurtej Singh, MD, Erika A Petersen, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> George M. Galvan, MD, Nameer Haider, MD, Didier Demesmin, MD, MBA, Daniel Denis, MD, Sanjeev Kumar, MD</p>	
3:00-3:15P	<p><b>Endoscopic Spine Surgery:</b> Surgical and Interventional Approaches</p>	<p><b>Moderated by Gurtej Singh, MD, Justine D. Pearl, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Didier Demesmin, MD, MBA, Mark Coleman, MD, Theresa Williamson, MD, Sanjeev Kumar, MD, Manish Raj, MD, Brian Durkin, DO</p>	



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3:15-3:30P	<b>Smaller Hardware, Bigger Impact:</b> Modern Posterior Fusion Strategies	<b>Moderated by Ashley Bailey-Classen, DO, Soriaya Motivala, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Stephen Hochschuler, MD, Chris Bovinet, DO, Greg Moore, MD, Behnam Myers, DO, Ali Nairizi, MD
3:30-3:45P	<b>Life After Fusion:</b> The Real Promise of Motion-Preserving Spine Surgery	<b>Moderated by Pierce D. Nunley, MD, Justine D. Pearl, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Arash Sayari, MD, Larry T. Khoo, MD, John R. Orphanos, MD, Patrick Buchanan, MD, Sheel Patel, MD
3:45-4:00P	<b>Spinal Robotics:</b> Where are We Now?	<b>Moderated by Erika A. Petersen, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Pierce D. Nunley, MD, Soriaya Motivala, MD, John R. Orphanos, MD, Angel Boev, MD, Michael J. Dorsi, MD
<b>Intrathecal Therapies and Cancer Pain Management</b> <b>Moderated by Louis J. Raso, MD</b>		
4:00-4:10P	<b>ASPAN Top Abstract RESTORE:</b> <i>One-year Outcomes of Control Crossover from Optimal Medical Management to Restorative Neurostimulation</i>	Kiran V. Patel, MD
4:10-4:20P	<b>ASPAN Top Abstract Postmarketing Safety Characterization of Suzetrigine (Journavx) Using FDA Adverse Event Reporting System Data: 2025 Q1-Q4</b>	Yuichi Igarashi, MD
4:20-4:35P	<b>Intrathecal Therapy:</b> Implementing, Dosing and Complication Management	<b>Moderated by Tammy Dann, DO, Edward Podgorski, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Gladstone C. McDowell II, MD, Tolga Suvar, MD, Reda M. Tolba, MD, Justin Davanzo, MD, Michael S. Leong, MD, Arti Ori, MD
4:35-4:50P	<b>Interventional Oncology for Pain Physicians:</b> A Developing Clinical Frontier	<b>Moderated by Amitabh Gulati, MD, Monika Y. Patel, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> John A. Hatheway, MD, Edward Podgorski, MD, Timothy R. Lubenow, MD, Sanup Pathak, MD, Denis G. Patterson, DO, Yashar Eshraghi, MD



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4:50-5:00P	<b>Change for Race and Transition to Ocean Lawn</b>	
5:00P	Ocean Lawn	<b>ASPAN Annual 5k Walk and Run for Charity</b> <i>*Separate registration required for runners</i>  <b>Beneficiaries: Ironman Foundation (IRONAID) and the Do Like Duke Foundation</b> <b>Race Shirts provided by Kelly Castleberry Morgan Stanley-Graystone</b> <b>Race Directors: Timothy R. Deer, MD, Dawood Sayed, MD, Michelle Byers-Robson</b> <i>*Not part of the CME program</i>
5:30P	Ocean Lawn	<b>Post-Race Reception &amp; Finish Line Celebration Sponsored by Diamond Sponsor Basic Home Infusion</b> <i>All attendees welcome—come cheer on the runners and enjoy refreshments following the race.</i>  <i>*Not part of the CME program</i>
6:30-7:30P	Glimmer 5-7 (4th Floor)	<b>Faculty Reception and Awards Symposium Sponsored by Palladium Sponsor Abbott</b> <b>Welcome - Timothy R. Deer, MD, Dawood Sayed, MD, Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD</b> <b>6:30-6:45P Check In</b> <b>6:45-7:00P Sponsored Presentation:</b> <b>7:00-7:30 ASPAN AWARD PRESENTATIONS</b> <i>*Not part of the CME program</i>
7:30P	Offsite: Soho House	<b>PainTEQ Sponsored Dinner</b> <i>Invitation Only</i>
7:30P	Prime 54	<b>Lenoss Medical Event - Biological Vertebral Augmentation with OsteoPearl</b> <i>Invitation Only</i>

**Saturday, July 18, 2026**

Time (EDT)	Location
6:30A	Registration Open in Luster Lobby



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6:30-7:15A	<b>ESSETRICS – Sponsored by Silver Sponsor ReActiv8</b> Room Name: Glimmer 5 Terrace (4 <sup>th</sup> Floor)	
7:00-7:45A	Breakfast Sponsored by Diamond Sponsored Basic Home Infusion  <i>The Home Advantage with BHI</i>  Room name: Glimmer 1-4  <i>*Not part of the CME program</i>	
<b>Time (EDT)</b>	<b>General Session:</b> Room Name: Fontaine Ballroom Day Two: Neuromodulation	
8:00-8:15A	Welcome to Day 2 - Presidential Address in Fontaine Ballroom	Presented by: Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD
<b>Spinal Cord Stimulation: Where Are We Now?</b> Room Name: Fontaine Ballroom Moderated by Mazhar Rasul, MD, Paul Verrills, MD		
8:15-8:25A	ASPAN Top Abstract <i>Validated Pain-Related Healthcare Utilization and Safety Endpoints for Spinal Cord Stimulation based on US Claims and Linked Prospective Clinical Data</i>	Timothy R. Deer, MD
8:25-8:40A	Does Evidence Actually Matter in SCS Selection?	Moderated by Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD, Erika A. Petersen, MD Panelists: Jason E. Pope, MD, Scott G. Pritzlaff, MD, Robert Levy, MD, PhD, Jennifer Marie Lee, MD, Ellen Lin, MD, Adnan Al-Kaisy, MB ChB



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<p><b>8:40-8:55A</b></p>	<p><b>Is AI the Missing Link in SCS Outcomes?</b></p>	<p><b>Moderated by Jordan Lee Tate, MD, Nasir Khatri, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Christopher Robinson, MD, PhD, Nandan Lad, MD, PhD, Aashish Jay Kumar, MD, Jennifer Hah, MD, Salim M. Hayek, MD, PhD, Alexios Carayannopoulos, DO</p>
<p><b>8:55-9:10A</b></p>	<p><b>Navigating the Expanding Landscape of SCS Waveforms</b></p>	<p><b>Moderated by Jason E. Pope, MD, Steven M. Falowski, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Kai McGreevy, MD, Lawrence Poree, MD, PhD, John A. Hatheway, MD, Derron K. Wilson, MD, Kathleen W. Meacham, MD, PhD, Jonathan Carlson, MD, Michael F. Esposito, MD</p>
<p><b>9:10-9:25A</b></p>	<p><b>The Future of SCS: Strategies to Protect Access to Care</b></p>	<p><b>Moderated by Hemant Kalia, MD, Mark N. Malinowski, DO</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Neel Mehta, MD, Tariq AlFarra, DO, Iden Cowan, MD, Stephanie Vanterpool, MD, MBA, Paul Verrills, MD, Kasra Amirdelfan, MD, David W. Lee, MD</p>
<p><b>9:25-9:40A</b></p>	<p><b>PNS vs DRG: Choosing the Right Neuromodulation Target for Focal Neuropathic Pain</b></p>	<p><b>Moderated by Jacqueline Weisbein, DO, Tolga Suvar, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Nirav Shah, MD, Kenneth B. Chapman, MD, Kristen Jarzombek, MD, Leonardo Kapural, MD, PhD, Jordan Lee Tate, MD, Konstantin Slavin, MD, Jonathan Carlson, MD</p>
<p>9:40-10:00A</p>	<p><b>Break with Exhibits and Abstract Poster Viewing</b></p> <p><b>In Booth Demo – Sponsored by Platinum Sponsor Medtronic</b>  <b>In Booth Demo – Sponsored by Silver Sponsor Nalu</b>  <b>In Booth Demo – Sponsored by Diamond Sponsor Globus</b></p> <p><b>Product Theater – Sponsored by Mai Medical USA</b>  <b>FDA-Cleared Neuromodulation: Transforming Patient Outcomes and Practice Performance</b>  <b>Dr. Jason Mulder, Co-Chief Executive Officer, MAI Medical USA</b></p> <p><i>*Not part of the CME program</i></p>	



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<b>ASPAN Executive Collaboration Committee:</b> <b>Room Name: Fontaine Ballroom</b>		
10:00-10:15A	Presentation of Lifetime Achievement Awards	Presented by Timothy R. Deer, MD, Dawood Sayed, MD, Kasra Amirdelfan, MD Recipients: Elliot Krames, MD, and Stephen Hochschuler, MD
10:15-10:30A	Michael A. Fishman, MD, MBA Memorial Tribute	Scholarship Presentation: Timothy R. Deer, MD, Dawood Sayed, MD, Jason E. Pope, MD, Kasra Amirdelfan, MD Tribute: Megan Linehan, MD, Chau Vu, MD, David Reece, MD, Ricardo Vallejo, MD, Sameer Sabir
10:30-10:45A	Live to Be 100: The Physiological Impact of V02, Grip Strength and More on Longevity	Timothy R. Deer, MD
<b>Peripheral Nerve Stimulation:</b> <b>Room Name: Fontaine Ballroom</b> <b>Moderated by Anuj Shah, DO, Denise Lester, MD</b>		
10:45-10:55A	ASPAN Top Abstract <i>Dorsal Root Ganglion Stimulation Provides Robust and Sustained Clinical Benefit through Five Years: Results from the Prospective, Real-World, Large-Scale, REALITY Study</i>	Kenneth Chapman, MD
10:55-11:05A	ASPAN Top Abstract <i>12 Month Outcomes from a Multicenter Pragmatic Randomized Controlled Trial (RESET): Comparison of 60-Day PNS to Usual Care with Standard Interventional Management in Chronic Low Back Pain</i>	Denise Lester, MD
11:05-11:20A	<b>Multifidus Neurostimulation:</b> What We've Learned and What Comes Next	Moderated by Rebecca Sanders, MD, David W. Lee, MD <b>Panelists:</b> Anthony Giuffrida, MD, Meredith Langhorst, MD, David Dickerson, MD, Mazhar Rasul, MD, Anuj Shah, DO, Denise Lester, MD



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<p><b>11:20-11:35A</b></p>	<p><b>Advanced Applications of Peripheral Nerve Stimulation:</b>          Suprascapular, Genicular, Cluneal Nerves and more</p>	<p><b>Moderated by Konstantin Slavin, MD, Vinita Singh, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Ioannis Skaribas, MD, Johnathan Goree, MD, Ali Valimahomed, MD, Sayed Emal Wahezi, MD, Denise Lester, MD, Gil Gontre, MD, David Reece, DO</p>
<p><b>11:35-11:50A</b></p>	<p><b>The New Era of Electroceuticals:</b> Emerging Non-invasive Modalities</p>	<p><b>Moderated by Eric G. Cornidez, MD, MBA</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Leonardo Kapural, MD, PhD, Sean Li, MD, Anna Woodbury, MD, Anthony Giuffrida, MD, Jason C. Rosenberg, MD, Dawn A. Sparks, DO</p>
<p><b>11:50A-12:00P</b></p>	<p><b>Transition to Lunch</b></p>	
<p><b>12:00-1:00P</b></p>	<p><b>Lunch Symposium Sponsored by Platinum Sponsor Stryker</b></p> <p><i><b>BVNA in Practice: A Multidisciplinary Perspective on Vertebrogenic Pain</b></i>  <i>Sean Li, MD, Anthony Giuffrida, MD, Jad Khalil, MD, Douglas P. Beall, MD</i></p> <p><b>Room Name: Glimmer 1-4</b>  <i>Sponsored symposia will NOT be part of the CME program, nor eligible for CME credit</i></p>	
<p><b>12:00-1:00P</b></p>	<p><b>Lunch Symposium Sponsored by Platinum Sponsor Medtronic</b></p> <p><i><b>Advancing Pain Care: Exploring Medtronic's Comprehensive Pain Management Portfolio with a Spotlight on ViaVerte™ BVNA</b></i>  <i>Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD, Tammy Dann, DO, MPH, Melissa Murphy, MD, MPH, Shiraz Yazdani, MD</i></p> <p><b>Room Name: Glimmer 5-7</b>  <i>Sponsored symposia will NOT be part of the CME program, nor eligible for CME credit</i></p>	



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<p><b>12:00-1:00P</b></p>	<p><b>Lunch Symposium Sponsored by Platinum Sponsor Saluda Medical</b></p> <p><i>Objective by Design: Disrupting Pain with the Evoke® System</i>  <b>Jason E. Pope, MD, Johnathan Goree, MD, Erika A. Petersen, MD, Eric G. Cornidez, MD, MBA, Ajay Antony, MD, Drew Trainor, DO</b></p> <p><b>Room Name: Flicker 1-3</b>  <i>Sponsored symposia will NOT be part of the CME program, nor eligible for CME credit</i></p>	
<p><b>1:00-1:10P</b></p>	<p><b>Transition Back to Sessions</b></p>	
<p><b>General Session:</b>  <b>Room Name: Fontaine Ballroom</b>  <b>OrthoBiologics &amp; Pharmacologics</b>  <b>Moderated by Sudhir Diwan, MD, Alane B. Costanzo, MD</b></p>		<p><b>Business and Law in Medicine Breakout Session:</b>  <b>Room Name: Fleur de Lis</b>  <b>Course Directors: Rehan Waheed, DO, JD, Paul Lynch, MD, Sanjay Bakshi, MD, MBA</b></p>
<p><b>1:10-1:20P ASPAN Top Abstract <i>One-Year Outcomes of an Investigational Injectable Hydrogel for Chronic Low Back Pain Due to Degenerative Disc Disease</i></b>  <b>Presented by Douglas P. Beall, MD</b></p>	<p><b>1:10-1:30P</b>  <b>More Than Claims: Building End-to-End Revenue Strategies That Actually Work</b>  <b>Moderated by Rehan Waheed, DO, JD</b>  <b>Panelists: Terin Champion, Melissa Murphy, MD, Jack Diep, MD, Jessica Jameson, MD, Rany T. Abdallah, MD, PhD, MBA, Jeremy Joyal, MD</b></p>	
<p><b>1:20-1:35P Intradiscal Therapies: Current Evidence, New Insights and Future Directions</b>  <b>Moderated by Nomen Azeem, MD, Jacqueline Weisbein, DO</b>  <b>Panelists: Douglas P. Beall, MD, Corey W. Hunter, MD, Sean Li, MD, Alane B. Costanzo, MD, Sudhir Diwan, MD, Timothy T. Davis, MD</b></p>	<p><b>1:30-1:50P</b>  <b>Billing and Compliance in 2026: New Regulations, New Risks, and New Opportunities</b>  <b>Moderated by Sanjay Bakshi, MD, MBA</b>  <b>Panelists: Terin Champion, Jessica Jameson, MD, Kenneth Candido, MD, Rany T. Abdallah, MD, PhD, MBA, Juan Carlos Santos, Esq., LL.M</b></p>	
<p><b>1:35-1:50P Non-opioid Medication Options in Chronic Pain: Suzetrigine, High Dose Capsaicin, Naltrexone, Ketamine, and More</b>  <b>Moderated by Alane B. Costanzo, MD, Christopher Robinson, MD, PhD</b>  <b>Panelists: Caitlin D. Tourjé, MD, Lisa R. Kroopf, MD, Youssef Josephson, DO, Vinita Singh, MD, Alaa Abd-Elsayed, MD, MPH, Latrice Akuamoah, MD</b></p>		



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<p><b>1:50-2:05P Advances in Longevity and Regenerative Medicine</b>  <b>Moderated by Paul Verrills, MD, Dawn A. Sparks, DO</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Rick M. Paicius, MD, Sudhir Diwan, MD, Zeeshan Tayeb, MD, Rany T. Abdallah, MD, PhD, MBA, Nomen Azeem, MD, Rohit Aiyer, MD</p>	<p><b>1:50-2:05P</b>  <b>Staying on the Right Side of the Law: The 2026 Survival Guide for Pain Providers</b>  <b>Moderated by Rehan Waheed, DO, JD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Aaron K. Calodney, MD, Denis G. Patterson, DO, Benjamin Gill, DO, MBA, Jonathan Meltz</p>
<p><b>2:05-2:20P The Role of GLP-1 Receptor Agonists in Pain Management: Mechanisms, Clinical Evidence, and Future Directions</b>  <b>Moderated by Alaa Abd-Elseyed, MD, Ajay Antony, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Sahil Gupta, MD, Kenneth B. Chapman, MD, Latrice Akuamoah, MD, Mansoor M. Aman, MD, Tammy Dann, DO, Patrick Buchanan, MD</p>	<p><b>2:05-2:20P</b>  <b>Personal Injury: How to Grow a Successful and Robust PI Practice</b>  <b>Moderated by Rehan Waheed, DO, JD, Suzanne Manzi, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Timothy T. Davis, MD, Mayank Gupta, MD, Myrdalis Diaz-Ramirez, MD, Youssef Josephson, DO, Jack Diep, MD</p>
<p><b>2:20-2:50P</b></p>	<p><b>Break with Exhibits and Abstract Poster Viewing</b>          Room Name: Sparkle Ballroom   <i>*Not part of the CME program</i></p>
<p><b>Alternative Pain Management</b>  <b>Moderated by Keith Javery, DO</b></p>	<p><b>Business and Law in Medicine Breakout Session:</b>          Room Name: Fleur de Lis</p>
<p><b>2:50-3:00P ASPAN Top Abstract <i>Bioelectronic Electro-Osmotic Therapy for Early to Moderate Degenerative Disc Disease: Safety and Preliminary Clinical Evidence with the Discure System</i></b>  <b>Presented by Douglas P. Beall, MD</b></p>	<p><b>2:50-3:10P</b>  <b>Expert Witness 101: Launching a Successful Career</b>  <b>Moderated by Paul Lynch, MD, Myrdalis Diaz-Ramirez, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Aaron K. Calodney, MD, Timothy R. Lubenow, MD, Michael F. Esposito, MD, Christopher J. Gilligan, MD, Stanley Golovac, MD, Jason C. Rosenberg, MD</p>
<p><b>3:00-3:10P ASPAN Top Abstract <i>Proactive Remote Monitoring Supports Long-term Optimization of Spinal Cord Stimulation: 24-Month Real-World Results in an Expanded Cohort</i></b>  <b>Presented by Jason E. Pope, MD</b></p>	



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<p><b>3:10-3:25P The Role of Rehabilitation in Comprehensive Interventional Care</b>  <b>Moderated by Denis G. Patterson, DO, Alexios Carayannopoulos, DO</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Greg Moore, MD, Anuj Shah, DO, Vwaire Orhurhu, MD, Vinny Francio, MD, Alexa Moreira, MD</p>	<p><b>3:10-3:30P</b>  <b>Cash Pay and Concierge Medicine: Is 2026 the Turning Point?</b>  <b>Moderated by Rehan Waheed, DO, JD, Gladstone C. McDowell II, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Jordan Lee Tate, MD, Ioannis Skaribas, MD, Nameer Haider MD, Rick M. Paicius, MD, Jay M. Shah, MD</p>
<p><b>3:25-3:40P Modern Management of Facial Pain and Headache</b>  <b>Moderated by Salim M. Hayek, MD, PhD, David Reece, DO</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Corey W. Hunter, MD, Matt Rupert, MD, Mayank Gupta, MD, Reda M. Tolba, MD, Monika Y. Patel, MD, Aileen Padilla, DO</p>	<p><b>3:30-3:50P</b>  <b>How to Thrive in a Growing, Large Practice Environment</b>  <b>Moderated by Sanjay Bakshi, MD, MBA, Neel Mehta, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Eric G. Cornidez, MD, MBA, Maged Guirguis, MD, Jeremy Joyal, MD, Mark Coleman, MD, John V. Prunskis, MD</p>
<p><b>3:40-3:55P Rethinking CRPS: Updated Guidelines and Modern Management</b>  <b>Moderated by David W. Lee, MD, Christopher A. Gilmore, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Kenneth Candido, MD, Michael S. Leong, MD, Yashar Eshraghi, MD, Christopher Gharibo, MD, Anna Woodbury, MD, Christopher K. Kim, MD</p>	
<p><b>3:55-4:10P More than Pain Relief: How Neuromodulation is Expanding Across Medicine</b>  <b>Moderated by Nasir Khatri, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Konstantin Slavin, MD, Octavia Kincaid, MD, Nick Knezevic, MD, PhD, Eric T. Lee, MD, Robert Levy, MD, PhD</p>	<p><b>3:50-4:10P</b>  <b>Grow or Get Left Behind: The Power of Mergers &amp; Acquisitions in Today's Pain Market</b>  <b>Moderated by Sanjay Bakshi, MD, MBA</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Kyle Brown, Ali Nairizi, MD, Yeshvant A. Navalgund, MD, Jeffrey Peterson, Christopher J. Gilligan, MD, Youssef Josephson, DO</p>
<p><b>4:10-4:25P Patient Selection Beyond Imaging: The Psychological Determinants of Outcome</b>  <b>Moderated by Rohit Aiyer, MD, Octavia Kincaid, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Christopher M. Lam, MD, Meredith Langhorst, MD, John S. Michels, MD, Aashish Jay Kumar, MD, Yussr Ibrahim, MD, Zeeshan Tayeb, MD</p>	<p><b>4:10-4:30P</b>  <b>Private Equity: The Benefits, Risks, and Realities for Pain Practices</b>  <b>Moderated by Sanjay Bakshi, MD, MBA, Derron K. Wilson, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Yeshvant A. Navalgund, MD, Jeremy Joyal, MD, Amol Soin, MD, Chad B. Stephens, DO, Jeffrey Peterson</p>
<p><b>4:25-4:40P From Published Guidelines to Bedside: Optimizing Patient Care</b>  <b>Moderated by Yussr Ibrahim, MD, Hemant Kalia</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> George E. Girardi, MD, Michael Gofeld, MD, PhD, George M. Galvan, MD, Ajay Antony, MD, Jason E. Pope, MD, Alaa Abd-Elseyed, MD</p>	<p><b>4:30-4:45P</b>  <b>Digital Marketing That Moves the Needle: What Works in 2026</b>  <b>Moderated by Paul Lynch, MD, Ramana K. Naidu, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Scott G. Pritzlaff, MD, Vwaire Orhurhu, MD, Jay M. Shah, MD, Anthony Giuffrida, MD, Stephanie Vanterpool, MD, MBA</p>



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<p><b>4:40-4:55P More than Representation: Diversity That Drives Innovation and Excellence</b>  <b>Moderated by Denise Lester, MD, Latrice Akuamoah, MD, MPH</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Jennifer Marie Lee, MD, Yashar Eshraghi, MD, Kristen Jarzombek, MD, Philip Kim, MD, Michael F. Esposito, MD, Jeffrey E. Arle, MD, PhD</p>	<p><b>4:45-5:00P</b>  <b>How to Negotiate with Payers in 2026 to Save Lives and Money</b>  <b>Moderated by Paul Lynch, MD, Mansoor M. Aman, MD</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> Bea Salvanera, NP, Amol Soin, MD, Christopher J. Gilligan, MD, Jeffrey Peterson, Ali Nairizi, MD, Yeshvant A. Navalgund, MD</p>	
<p><b>4:55-5:00P Closing Remarks</b>  <b>Krishnan Chakravarthy, MD, PhD</b></p>		
<p>5:00-6:00P</p>	<p><b>Reception Sponsored by Gold Sponsor Curonix</b>   <i>Full-Body Innovation with Curonix: Elevating Patient Care Together</i>  <i>Douglas P. Beall, MD, Hemant Kalia, MD, MPH, FIPP, FAAPMR, Robert Moghim, MD, Denis G. Patterson, DO, Jonathan E. Silverman, MD, Konstantin Slavin, MD, FAANS</i>   <b>Room Name: Glimmer 5-7</b>  <i>*Not part of the CME program</i></p>	
<p>6:00-7:30P</p>	<p><b>ASPAN Charity Reception Sponsored by Silver Sponsor Aurora</b>   <i>"The Fusion" Where the Future Meets the Present</i>   <b>Room name: Glimmer 1-4</b>  <i>*Not part of the CME program</i></p>	<p><b>Hosted by: Timothy R. Deer, MD, and Dawood Sayed, MD</b>  <b>All Attendees Invited - \$50 Donation</b>  <b>Recommended Attire: Futuristic Formal/Step into the Future</b></p>

<b>Sunday, July 19, 2026</b>		
<b>Moderated by Melissa Murphy, MD</b>		
Time (EDT)	Topic	Speakers
8:00A	Exhibitors Please Break Down Exhibits	
8:00-8:10A	Welcome Day 3	Melissa Murphy, MD



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8:10-8:25A	<b>TBD - Breaking Research</b>	
8:25-8:35A	<b>ASPAN Top Abstract <i>Real-World SCS Utilization and Explant Patterns in 1,000 Patients From a Multicenter Consecutive Case Series</i></b>	<b>Jason E. Pope, MD</b>
8:35-8:50A	<b>Innovating Beyond the Plateau: Reimagining Pain and Spine Training</b>	<b>Moderated by Scott Pritzlaff, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Vinny Francio, MD, Tolga Suvar, MD, Sayed Emal Wahezi, MD, Stephanie Vanterpool, MD, MBA, Arti Ori, MD, Christopher J. Mallard, MD
8:50-9:00A	<b>ASPAN Top Abstract <i>A Real-World Pilot Integration of Human-In-Loop Artificial Intelligence in Proactive Patient Care</i></b>	<b>David Dickerson, MD</b>
9:00-9:15A	<b>Controversies in Spine and Pain</b>	<b>Moderated by Harold Cordner, MD, Matt Rupert, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Sanjeev Kumar, MD, Mark N. Malinowski, DO, Philip Kim, MD, Christopher J. Mallard, MD, Stephanie Vanterpool, MD, MBA
9:15-9:25A	<b>ASPAN Top Abstract <i>High-frequency spinal cord stimulation (SCS) improves sensory function in individuals with painful diabetic neuropathy (PDN): A randomized controlled trial, with 12-months of follow-up</i></b>	<b>Erika Petersen, MD</b>
9:25-9:40A	<b>Coding and Policy Updates: How Advocacy Can Improve Access</b>	<b>Moderated by Hemant Kalia, MD, Mark N. Malinowski, DO</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Harold Cordner, MD, Philip Kim, MD, Christopher J. Mallard, MD, Corey W. Hunter, MD, George M. Galvan, MD



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9:40-9:50A	<b>ASPAN Top Abstract <i>Clinical Effectiveness, Safety and Healthcare Utilization of Peripheral Nerve Stimulation: Real-World Data from Chronic Pain Patients</i></b>	<b>Robert Moghim, MD</b>
9:50-10:05A	<b>Extending Healthspan:</b> What Pain Specialists Should Know About Longevity	<b>Moderated by Paul Verrills, MD, Dawn Sparks, DO</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Pooja R. Chopra, MD, Alane B. Costanzo, MD, Suzanne Manzi, MD, Lisa R. Kroopf, MD, Nirav Shah, MD
<b>Young Innovator Sessions</b> <b>Moderated by Vinny Francio, MD, and Anuj Shah, DO</b>		
10:05-10:20A	<b>ASPAN P2P Top Abstracts:</b>  <b>10:06-10:10A <i>Success Proven, Care Delayed: National Patterns in Time from Spinal Cord Stimulator Trial to Permanent Implantation</i></b>  <b>10:11-10:15A <i>Gaps in Fellowship Training for Minimally Invasive Lumbar Spinal Stenosis Procedures: A National Survey of Interventional Pain Physicians</i></b>  <b>10:16-10:20A <i>Evaluating the Impact of a Simulation-Based Curriculum: Implementing Early Exposure Interventions in Pain Medicine P2P</i></b>	<b>Introduced by Melissa Murphy, MD and Benjamin Gill, DO</b>  <b>Christian Gulde, MD, MBA</b>  <b>Siddardth Umapathy, DO</b>  <b>Adedeji Olusanya, DO</b>
10:20-10:35A	<b>Young Innovators: Accelerate Career Advancements in Interventional Pain</b>	<b>Moderated by Vinny Francio, MD, and Anuj Shah, DO</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Benjamin Gill, DO, Yussr Ibrahim, MD, Alexa Moreira, MD, Pooja R. Chopra, MD, Siddardth Umapathy, DO, Kristen Jarzombek, MD



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10:35-10:45A	<b>ASPAN Top Abstract <i>Clinical Accuracy of Intrathecal Drug Delivery Systems (IDDS): A 4-year Multicenter Registry Data study</i></b>	<b>Sam Eldabe, MB, ChB, FRCA, FFPMRCA</b>
10:45-11:00A	<b>Match or Miss: How to Stand Out in the Pain Fellowship Arms Race</b>	<b>Moderated by Dawn Sparks, DO</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Vinny Francio, MD, Benjamin Gill, DO, Anthony Giuffrida, MD, Myrdalis Diaz-Ramirez, MD, Alexa Moreira, MD
11:00-11:10A	<b>ASPAN Top Abstract <i>Posterior versus lateral approach to minimally invasive sacroiliac joint fusion: a retrospective propensity score- matched cohort study</i></b>	<b>Ellie Rogers and Leonardo Kapural, MD, PhD</b>
11:10-11:25A	<b>Academic, Hospital or Private Practice: Where will you actually thrive?</b>	<b>Moderated by Tolga Suvar, MD, Scott Pritzlaff, MD</b> <b>Panelists:</b> Stanley Golovac, MD, Sanjeev Kumar, MD, Monika Patel, MD, Alexa Moreira, MD, Siddardth Umapathy, DO, Christopher J. Mallard, MD
11:25-11:35A	<b>ASPAN Top Abstract <i>Three-Year Outcomes of Spinal Cord Stimulation across Multiple Indications: A Prospective, Global, Real-world Registry</i></b>	<b>Sayed Emal Wahezi, MD</b>
11:35-11:45A	<b>ASPAN Top Abstract <i>Interim Long-term Pain and Functional Outcomes from the COMFORT Peripheral Nerve Stimulation Randomized Control Trial</i></b>	<b>John A. Hatheway, MD</b>
11:45A-12:00P	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	<b>Melissa Murphy, MD</b>