SAGES 2026 ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

MARCH 25-28, 2026 | TAMPA CONVENTION CENTER | TAMPA, FL

Program Co-Chairs: Kellie McFarlin, MD, Matt Ritter, MD, MHPE, & Linda Zhang, MD | *Oral & Video Sessions will take place throughout the Meeting.*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2026

Programming & Posters 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM
SAGES Military Symposium
From Basics to Brilliance: A Debate on Laparoscopic Simulators in Surgical Training
This is the Way: Revisional Bariatric Surgery - When and Why?
This is the Way: Evolving Strategies in Advancing Rectal Cancer Management
Slit, Slide, Dialyze: The Art of Minimally Invasive Peritoneal Dialysis Insertion
HERnia Session: Optimizing Outcomes for Women with Hernias
Back to Basics: SAGES/AHPBA It`s Just a Gallbladder...
SAGES Foundation Awards Luncheon 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
This is the Way: ILLS/SAGES Liver Technical Session
SAGES/JSES: AI-Powered Insights in Colorectal Surgery non CME
MIS Disasters and Nightmares
How to Tackle Surgery Inc
Hands-on Course: ADOPT MIS Common Bile Duct Exploration and Imaging
Dysphagia After Foregut Surgery: A Tough Pill to Swallow!
Passing the Baton: Transitioning from Pediatric to Adult Bariatric Care
Foregut Video Session - How I Do It
Abdominal Wall Reconstruction, Core Health, and Coding
All Hands on Deck: When Do You Ask for Help?
From Where I Stand: What Surgeons from Developing Countries Wish You Knew
Pathways to Practice - How to Learn New Procedures in Practice
SAGES 2026 Opening Session 5:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Welcome Reception in the Exhibit Hall 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2026

Programming & Posters 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Exhibits/Education & Innovation Center 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Digital Surgery: Advanced Visualization
SAGES/ASGBI: Managing Waste and Reducing Energy in Operating Rooms
Gerald Marks Lecture
Hot Topics in Foregut
SAGES/AHS: Great Debates in Hernia Surgery
Impedance, Plethysmography, Integers, Oh My! GI Motility for the Practicing Physician
Hot Topics en Espanol: Una Colaboracion de SAGES & LATAM
Digital Surgery: Robotics as a Data Collection Platform
SAGES/EAES: The Ideal OR: Connected, Sustainable, Accessible non CME
These Are the Droids You're Looking for non CME
Digital Surgery: Telepresence
Back to Basics: Fundamentals of Surgical Communication
Bariatric Disasters
Complimentary Lunch in the Exhibit Hall 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
Debates in Foregut Surgery
This is the Way: Back into the Breach - Redo TAR
Expanding Indications for MIS in Complex Colorectal Surgery
The Forgot Organs (Spleen and Adrenal)
Hands-on Course: Per-Oral Endoscopic Myotomy
Innovators Course non CME
Digital Surgery: Surgical Data Science in the Real World
Comprehensive Obesity Management
Acute Care Disasters
Hernia Disasters
Colorectal Disasters
Happy Half Hour in the Exhibit Hall 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM
Beyond the Meeting: Changing Hernia Practice in the Real World
Beyond ERPs: Opioid Free Anesthia (OFA) in MIS Colorectal Surgery
AI for Video-Based Assessment (VBA) of Surgical Skills
SAGES Shark Tank non CME
This is the Way: Reoperations on the Foregut – When, Why and How?
High Five from the Top 21
Gallbladder Debates: Management and Techniques
Airway, Breathing, Circulation, Dock? - Robotics in Acute Care Surgery
Hands-on Course: ADOPT Robotic Transverse Abdominus Release
Trainee Town Hall 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2026

Programming & Posters 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Exhibits/Education & Innovation Center 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Enhancing Surgical Outcomes with the Robotic NICE Procedure: SAGES-Endorsed Multicenter Trial Insights
A Surgeon`s Life Part 1: `Physician, Heal Thyself`: Moral Injury Among Surgeons and Potential Remedies
Hot Topics in Hernia Repair
Emerging Technology Session non CME
Magnetic-assisted Surgery in Space Missions
Reflux After Foregut Surgery: Will the Pain Never End?
A Surgeon`s Life Part 2: Failure to Rescue... Myself - M&M for Professional and Personal Failures
Educators Session: The Future of Our Specialty - Are We Training Too Many Fellows?
Morning Mimosas in the Exhibit Hall 10:00 AM -10:30 AM
Presidential Address
Karl Storz Lecture
Complimentary Lunch in the Exhibit Hall 12:00 PM -1:30 PM
Plenary 1 - Best Papers
Presidential Session
Hands-on Course: Single Anastomosis Duodenal Switch
SAGES/AFS: Intraoperative Foregut Catastrophes
Institutional Resilience: Strategies for Academic Recovery Following Funding Withdrawal
A Surgeon`s Life Part 3: The Aging Surgeon
Debate: Why Are We Still Doing Hartmans?
Patchwork No More: Formalizing a Hernia Program in the Community Setting
SAGES Family Feud non CME
Meet the Leadership Reception *(Invitation Only)* 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Main Event 7:30 PM - 11:30 PM

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2026

Programming & Posters 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM
SAGES Mini Medical School
Plenary 2 - Best Papers
Back to Basics: Bariatric Complications Management
Digital Surgery: Back to Basics - AI 101 for Surgical Practice
Back to Basics: Core Principles Applied to Any Ventral Hernia Repair
Updates in FLS/FES/FUSE/FRS
Residents & Fellows Session
New and Novel Therapies for Obesity Treatment
SAGES/ASDDI Symposium
Fellowship Council Session: Years 1-to-3 in Practice: Case Studies for Growth Inside and Outside of the OR
Back to Basics: Upper GI Workup for Foregut Surgery
Acute Care Management of Hernia Emergencies
Balancing MIS Education: Laparoscopy vs Robotics
Back to Basics: ERAS and Patient-related Outcomes for Colorectal Surgery