


DIVISION OF GASTROENTEROLOGY & HEPATOLOGY

WVU INTERVENTIONAL and SURGICAL ENDOSCOPY (WISE) CONFERENCE

APRIL 11-12, 2025

 *Nemacolin Woodlands Resort
Farmington, PA*



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COURSE INFORMATION

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TOPICS

- Per Oral Endoscopic Myotomy (POEM)
- Endoscopic Bariatric Therapies
- Therapeutic EUS
- Third Space Endoscopy
- Pancreas & Biliary Endoscopy
- Challenges & New Frontiers
- Artificial Intelligence
- Expanding Horizons of Endoscopic Surgery
- Endoscopic Resection
- Endoscopic Surgery
- Multidisciplinary Care
- Endoscopic Management of Leaks, Fistulas, and Perforations
- Hands-On Workshops
- Endoscopic Innovations Industry Symposium

TARGET AUDIENCE

Gastroenterologists, Surgeons, Internal Medicine Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Nurses, and Endoscopy Technicians

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Following this conference, participants should be able to:

- Discuss the current optimal endoscopic techniques
- Discuss the latest advances and future technology in luminal, pancreaticobiliary, surgical, and bariatric endoscopy
- Describe techniques for endoscopic procedures such as advanced resection, defect closure, endoscopic suturing, hemostasis, third space, bariatric and surgical endoscopy
- Discuss and describe the latest breakthrough procedures in diagnostic and therapeutic endoscopy
- Discuss endoscopic oncology, surgical endoscopy, and artificial intelligence

REGISTRATION & FEES

Physicians	\$259
Live In-Person Course + Hands On	
Residents/Fellows/Trainees/Students	Free
Nurses/NPs/PAs/Technicians/Allied Health Professionals	\$79
Live In-Person Course	

For housing information: Room reservation is only available through provided link after completing course registration.

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OVERVIEW

WISE will feature a comprehensive demonstration and review of various endoscopic procedure techniques and technology to benefit general and therapeutic gastroenterologists, surgeons, nurse practitioners, fellows, endoscopy nurses, and technicians. Multiple live procedures combined with extensive discussions will demonstrate cutting-edge advances in luminal endoscopy - third space, bariatric and surgical endoscopy, EUS, and ERCP. WISE will also feature various lectures by leaders in the field of endoscopy and dedicated fellows and nurses' sessions with intensive hands-on training to help them improve their skills and stay up to date with the latest techniques and technologies.

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CME: 14.25 / NURSING: 14.25



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COURSE AGENDA

/ Friday, April 11

6:45am - 7:30am

Registration

7:30am - 7:40am

Opening Remarks

SESSION 1

ENDOSCOPIC BARIATRICS & CLOSURE

7:40am - 8:00am

Endoscopic Suturing 101: Techniques and Practical Applications
/ Nikhil Kumta

8:05am - 9:15am

Live Cases

/ Christopher Thompson / Pichamol Jirapinyo / Vivek Kumbhari

9:15am - 9:30am

Endoscopic Practice in the Era of Injectable Weight Loss Medications: Benefits and Managing Pitfalls
/ Allison Schulman

9:40am - 10:05am

BREAK

SESSION 2

ADVANCED RESECTION & THIRD SPACE

10:05am - 10:25am

Endoscopic Vacuum Therapy for Management of Leaks and Perforations
/ Diogo Turiani Hourneaux De Moura

10:30am - 11:45am

Live Cases

/ Christopher Thompson / Pichamol Jirapinyo / Vivek Kumbhari

11:45am - 12:35pm

Lunch & Learn: Difficult Colon Polyp | Case-Based Videos
/ Mohammad Bilal

SESSION 3

ERCP & ABLATION

12:40pm - 1:00pm

ERCP Past, Present, and Future
/ Jessica Widmer

1:05pm - 2:20pm

Live Cases

/ Shyam S. Varadarajulu / Ji Young Bang / Neil Sharma

2:25pm - 2:40pm

BREAK

2:40pm - 3:10pm

Breakthroughs in GI Endoscopy: Innovations Transforming Digestive Health and Patient Outcomes
/ Peter Draganov

SESSION 4

INTERVENTIONAL EUS

3:20pm - 4:30pm

Live Cases

/ Shyam S. Varadarajulu / Ji Young Bang / Neil Sharma

4:35pm - 4:55pm

Latest Advances in the Management of Acute Pancreatitis
/ Prabhleen Chahal

5:30pm

Reception

COURSE AGENDA

/ Saturday, April 12

7:30am - 7:50am

Breakfast Session: Feeding Tubes - Indications and Placement Techniques

/ Stuart Amateau

SESSION 1

THE ULTIMATE SHOWDOWN: GREAT DEBATES

8:00am - 8:30am

Management of Gastric Outlet Obstruction: Endoscopic Gastrojejunostomy Versus Surgical Gastrojejunostomy

/ Shyam S. Varadarajulu / Brian Boone

8:30am - 9:00am

Giant Polyp Conquest: Is Less More with EMR, or Does ESD Deliver?

/ Ji Young Bang / Neil Sharma

9:00am - 9:30am

Sutures or Injections: The Battle for Obesity Management Supremacy ESG vs. Injectable Weight Loss Medications

/ Pichamol Jirapinyo / Allison Schulman

SESSION 2

STATE OF THE ART LECTURES

9:30am - 9:55am

Advancing Bariatric Endoscopy: Today's Landscape and Tomorrow's Breakthroughs

/ Christopher Thompson

9:55am - 10:15am

Artificial Intelligence in Endoscopy: Preparing for the Future of Gastroenterology

/ Vivek Kumbhari

10:15am - 10:35am

Global Evolution of Surgical Endoscopy

/ Amol Bapaye

10:35am - 10:45am

Q&A

10:45am - 11:10am

LUNCH / VENDOR EXHIBIT

SESSION 3

MULTIDISCIPLINARY PANEL

11:10am - 11:30am

Engaging the Experts: The Multidisciplinary Panel

/ Shyam Varadarajulu / Brian Boone / Lawrence Tabone / Robert Grammer

11:45am - 12:20pm

"Movies at WISE"

Stopping the Bleed: Interesting Video Cases and Hemostasis Tools in Action

/ Harshit Khara



COURSE AGENDA

/ Saturday, April 12

SESSION 4

HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS

12:30pm - 3:30pm

Advanced hemostasis and closure
Endoscopic mucosal resection (EMR)
Endoscopic submucosal dissection (ESD)
Endoscopic full-thickness resection (EFTR)
Radiofrequency ablation
Cryoablation
Luminal stenting
Endoscopic suturing
ERCP and cholangioscopy
EUS-guided transluminal drainage (EUS-TLD)



3:30pm - 6:30pm

Exploring Nemaconlin: Leisure Time and Resort Activities



SESSION 5

INDUSTRY SYMPOSIUM

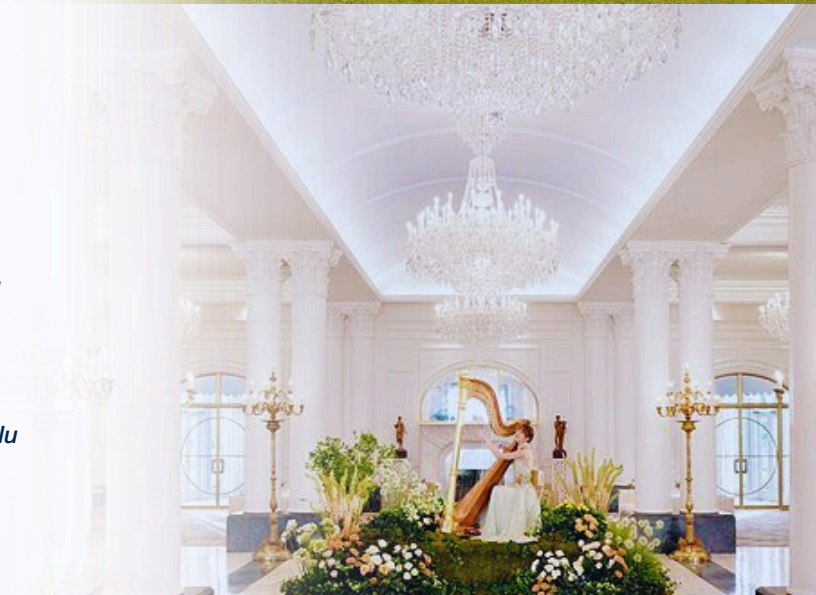
7:00pm - 9:00pm

Networking and Dinner Industry Symposium

Shaping Tomorrow's Endoscopy (Non-CME)

Join leading physicians and industry innovators for an engaging evening of networking, dinner, and drinks. This must-attend session offers insight into fostering collaboration and discussions on cutting-edge advancements in a relaxed and interactive setting.

/ Christopher Thompson / Shyam S. Varadarajulu
/ Vivek Kumbhari / Allison Schulman
/ Industry Leaders



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Ropes Course
Safari Tour
Segway Tours
Shopping
Summer Tubing
Target & Combat Paintball
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Room reservations are available at The Grand Lodge, Chateau, Falling Rock, and Town Houses.

Regular Rate: \$1,100/night

\$279/night for healthcare professionals

\$349/night for vendors on Thursday

\$499/night for vendors on Friday & Saturday

+ tax/service fees

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BUTLER SERVICES

Butler services available for limited rooms, book early to reserve.

During Guest Stay

Ironing & Steaming
Unpacking & Packing
Complimentary Beverage & Snacks
Bath Menu
Pillow Menu
European Wake-Up Service
Turndown Treat
White Glove

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