

APDS & ARAS 2025 ANNUAL MEETING

May 6-8, 2025



ARAS
ASSOCIATION OF RESIDENCY ADMINISTRATORS IN SURGERY

Surgical Education Week
May 6-10, 2025 | Sheraton Grand Seattle, WA

Tuesday, May 6

12:00pm - 12:05pm

Welcome & Introductions

Kylene Smartis C-TAGME | Northeast Georgia Medical Center Program

12:05pm - 12:35pm

How We Do It: Holistic Review of Residency Applications

Lisa Leininger MPH | University of Michigan Health System Program

12:35pm - 1:15pm

Navigating the Transition: Pearls, Pitfalls, and the Balance of Management and Leadership for New Team Leaders

Christa Donald BS | Washington University/B-JH/SLCH Consortium Program

1:15pm - 1:45pm

How to Compose Successful Major Changes for the Annual WebADS Update

Laurie Woldman MBA | NYU Langone Health

1:45pm - 2:30pm

A Culture of Communication

Gary Hodge | St. Mary's Hospital (Waterbury) Program

2:30pm - 2:45pm

Welcome from APDS President

Jennifer Choi MD | Indiana University School of Medicine

2:45pm - 3:00pm

Afternoon Break

3:00pm - 4:15pm

APDS Alphabet Soup (Grand Ballroom ABC)

4:30pm - 5:15pm

Facilitating Change: Implementation Science for Residency Program Administrators in Surgery

Rebecca Williams MD, PhD, MEdPsych | Northwestern University

6:00pm - 7:00pm

APDS & ARAS Reception

Wednesday, May 7

7:00am - 8:00am

Grand Ballroom Pre-Function

Breakfast provided

8:00am - 8:30am

Welcome Day 2 | A Case Study of One Program Administrators Time Allocation

Amanda Royan MEd | MetroHealth

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PC Superpower - What Can You Do With 5 Minutes?

Eileen Kleffner | University of Texas HSC San Antonio

Teresa Enger | Gundersen Lutheran Medical Foundation Program

9:15am - 10:00am

Thalamus

Ashley Page MHA | Thalamus

10:00am - 10:30am

Leading from the Middle: Leadership Development and Strategies for GME Administrators and Coordinators

Lauren Burr MS | Thomas Jefferson University

10:30am - 10:45am

Morning Break

10:45am - 11:45am

APDS Presidential Address (Grand Ballroom ABC)

Jennifer Choi MD | Indiana University School of Medicine

11:45am - 12:00pm

APDS/ARAS Box Lunch Pick-Up

12:30pm - 1:15pm

From Strategy to Success: Essential Project Management Practices for Program Administrators

Michaela Gombar C-TAGME | University of Wisconsin-Madison

1:15pm - 2:00pm

Navigating Change in Residency and Clerkship Administration: Strategies for Adaptation and Success

Christa Donald BS | Washington University/B-JH/SLCH Consortium Program

Carla Koberna, General Surgery Clerkship Coordinator Washington University

2:00pm - 4:00pm

ABS/ACGME Session

Barbara Gerkens | American Board of Surgery

Chris Fox PhD | ACGME

4:00pm - 4:15pm

Qualtrics: A Key Resource for Education Administrators

Breanna Rose BA, MA | University of Virginia

Heather Trainum | University of Virginia

4:15pm - 4:30pm

Afternoon Break

4:30pm - 5:30pm

EPAs

Karen Brasel MD, MPH | American Board of Surgery

5:30pm - 6:00pm

APDS Presentation of Awards (Grand Ballroom ABC)

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APDS Membership Meeting (Grand Ballroom ABC)

6:30pm - 7:30pm

APDS/ARAS/ASE Joint Reception

Thursday, May 8

6:30am - 7:00am

APDS/ARAS Breakfast

7:00am - 8:00am

Tools of the Trade

8:30am - 9:00am

ACS ERRA

ACS SRRA

Patrice Gabler Blair, DrPH, MPH

ACS Fundamentals of Surgery and Cognitive Simulation Curricula

Patricia Numann MD, FACS

9:00am - 9:10am

TAGME

Kahoot Quiz

Mary Ann Garcia-Bowerman MBA, C-TAGME | Emory University School of Medicine Program

9:10am - 9:30am

Morning Break

9:30am - 10:45am

APDS Keynote Address (Grand Ballroom ABC)

10:45am - 11:30am

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Amanada Royan MEd | MetroHealth

11:30am - 11:45am

Introduction of 2025/2026 Executive Committee