



NP PA Surgical Updates 2026

April 30 – May 2, 2026
 Orlando, FL & Livestream
Eastern Time Zone

Thursday, April 30, 2026	
Registration: <i>Mockingbird Corner</i> Meals: <i>Pelican Room</i> Exhibits and Refreshment Break: <i>Mockingbird</i> General Session: <i>Osprey Ballroom</i> Central Venous Access Workshop: <i>Macaw Room**</i> Laparoscopic Skills Workshop: <i>Swan 6 Ballroom**</i>	
6:45am	Registration, Breakfast, and Exhibits
7:30am	Course Introduction <i>Nancy E. Pitruzzello, D.N.P., APRN, M.S.N.</i>
7:35am	Clearance is for Airplanes! Strategies for Preoperative Risk Assessment and Optimization in Medically Complex Patients <i>Joan M. Irizarry Alvarado, M.D.</i>
8:05am	Beyond Hierarchy: Communication That Supports Safe Surgical Care <i>J. Ross Renew, M.D.</i> <i>Amanda Stanton, DMSc, PA-C</i>
9:05am	Procedural Practice: What? Where? To What Extent? <i>Zach J. Fleissner, D.O.</i>
9:50am	Ask the Experts – Panel Question & Answer
10:30am	Refreshment Break & Exhibits
10:45am	Fix the Blood Before the Blade: Preoperative Anemia Evaluation <i>Joan M. Irizarry Alvarado, M.D.</i>
11:15am	The Ins and Outs of Anticoagulation – Antiplatelet Therapy “Know When to Hold Them!” <i>Pedro Malavet, M.D.</i>
12:15pm	Ask the Experts – Panel Question & Answer
12:50pm	Adjourn
Optional Workshops – Limit One <i>**Separate Registration Required, Limited Space Available</i>	
1:15pm – 3:15pm	Central Venous Access: The Procedural Workshop <i>J. Ross Renew,</i> <i>Zach J. Fleissner, D.O.</i> <i>Layton L. White JR, P.A.-C., PA</i>
1:15pm – 3:15pm	Crafting Confidence: A Laparoscopic Skills Lab <i>Aakriti R. Carrubba, M.D.</i> <i>Michelle F. DeLeon, M.D.</i>



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Friday, May 1, 2026	
Registration: <i>Mockingbird Corner</i> Meals: <i>Pelican Room</i> Exhibits and Refreshment Break: <i>Mockingbird</i> General Session: <i>Osprey Ballroom</i> Modern Excision Techniques Workshop: <i>Swan 6 Ballroom**</i>	
6:45am	Registration, Breakfast, and Exhibits
7:30am	Announcements <i>Amy J. Lykins, D.N.P., APRN</i>
7:35am	Updates in Urologic Surgery <i>David D. Thiel, M.D.</i>
8:05am	Position, Position, Position <i>Lorraine L. Rodgers, D.N.P., APRN, CRNA</i>
8:45am	We Need to Get This Off Our Chests: An Update in Breast Oncology <i>Emmanuel Gabriel, MD, Ph.D.</i>
9:15am	The Art and Science of Rib Fixation <i>Amy J. Lykins, D.N.P., APRN</i>
9:45am	Ask the Experts – Panel Question & Answer
10:15am	Refreshment Break & Exhibits
10:30am	The Esophageal Frontier: Innovations in Surgical Technique <i>Chris D. Scott, M.D.</i>
11:00am	Bariatric Surgery in the Age of GLP1s <i>Carol A. Abbott, C.N.P., M.S.N., APRN</i>
11:30am	General Surgery Case Studies <i>Genesis M. Mosley, MPAS, P.A.-C.</i>
12:15pm	Ask the Experts – Panel Question & Answer
12:45pm-1:40pm	Lunch and Non-CME Educational Session presented by SYLKE
1:40pm	Adjourn
Optional Workshop <i>**Separate Registration Required, Limited Space Available</i>	
1:45pm – 3:45pm	A Cut Above the Rest: Modern Excision Techniques <i>Daniel Cani, MPAS, P.A.-C.</i> <i>Jenny F. Yang, M.D.</i>



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Saturday, May 2, 2026	
Registration: <i>Mockingbird Corner</i> Meals: <i>Pelican Room</i> Exhibits and Refreshment Break: <i>Mockingbird</i> General Session: <i>Osprey Ballroom</i>	
6:45am	Registration, Breakfast, and Exhibits
7:30am	Announcements <i>Lauren M. Sigtermans, M.S., P.A.-C.</i>
7:35am	The Opioid Exit Strategy – Alternatives for Pain Control <i>Kathy B. Cloud, M.S., P.A.-C.</i>
8:05am	The Renal Shutdown – Postoperative AKI <i>Christopher L. Trautman, M.D.</i>
8:35am	Updates in Hepatobiliary Disease <i>Mary P. Tice, P.A.-C.</i>
9:05am	Management of Complex Wounds – When to Consult Wound Care <i>Thea Price, M.D.</i>
9:50am	Ask the Experts – Panel Question & Answer
10:20am	Refreshment Break & Exhibits
10:35am	Staph, Strep, and Pseudomonas - Oh my! When to Consult Infectious Disease <i>Mary A. Peacock, APRN</i>
11:05am	Top 10 Documentation Errors That Lead to Lawsuits – and How to Avoid Them <i>Jessica G. Kelly, J.D.</i>
11:35am	Postoperative Care of the Complex Patient <i>Kaitlyn R. Musto, P.A.-C.</i>
12:20pm	Ask the Experts – Panel Question & Answer
12:55pm	Closing Remarks <i>Lauren M. Sigtermans, M.S., P.A.-C</i>
1:00pm	Adjourn