

**The Business of Pain presents:
The Next BIG Thing – Where Pain Medicine, Science and Business Intersect**

Thursday, October 8th - Sunday, October 11th, 2026
Fontainebleau, Miami Beach, Florida

Thursday, October 8, 2026

Time	Location	Event
12:30-1:00 PM	Registration Foyer	Registration and Check-In Exhibitors are Welcome to Set Up in Pearl Ballroom 1
1:00-1:15 PM	Pearl Ballroom 3-4	Welcome Presented by: Peter S. Staats, MD, MBA, and Sean Li, MD
1:15-1:45 PM	Pearl Ballroom 3-4	How does the Investment community evaluate the Next Big Idea Presented By Christopher J. Gilligan, MD, MBA
2026 Gator Pit: Exciting New Innovative Companies and Ideas Moderated by: <i>All faculty and attendees are invited to join in to discuss new and innovative updates!</i> <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>		
2:00-5:00 PM	Pearl Ballroom 3-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2:00-2:15 PM <i>Presented by: Elliot Sloan Algos Pathways</i> ● 2:15-2:30 PM <i>Paddle Performance without Laminotomy: a Percutaneous Evolution in SCS</i> <i>Presented by: TBD (NeuroOne)</i> ● 2:30-2:45 PM <i>Presented by: (H-Wave)</i>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2:45-3:00 PM <i>Presented by:</i> ● 3:00-3:15 PM <i>Presented by:</i> ● 3:15-3:45 PM <i>Presented by:</i> ● 3:45-4:00 PM <i>Big Data, AI, and Industry...Long Term Outcomes in Pain Medicine</i> <i>Presented by: Allen Burton, MD</i>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 4:00-4:15 PM <i>Innovation Landscape of Pain Medicine</i> <i>Presented by: Jeremy Koff, MBA, MPA</i> ● 4:15 - 4:30 PM <i>Market Access Through Political Advocacy</i> <i>Presented by: Todd Davis</i> ● 4:30-4:45 PM <i>MedTech Perspective from Venture Capital</i> <i>Presented by: Tak Cheung (Astoria Capital)</i>
4:45-5:15PM	Pearl Ballroom 3-4	Discussion and Wrap-Up Moderators:
2:00-6:00 PM	NSPC Regional Directors Meeting - By Invitation Only	
5:15-6:30 PM	Gator Pit Cocktail Reception hosted by <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>	

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Friday, October 9, 2025			
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7:00-7:55 AM	Pearl Ballroom 2	Breakfast Symposium <i>*Not part of the CME Program, no CME Credit</i>	
Plenary Session Moderated by: Course Director - Sean Li, MD			
7:55-8:00 AM	Welcome to The Business of Pain Conference - Where Pain Medicine, Science and Business Intersect Presented by: Peter S. Staats, MD, MBA and Sean Li, MD		
Plenary Session – A Focus on Spinal Cord Stimulation Room: Pearl Ballroom 3-4 Moderated by: Dawood Sayed, MD		Business Bootcamp (BBC) Room: Anchor 2-3 Moderated by: Yeshvant Navalgund, MD	
8:00-8:15 AM	Beyond Static SCS Programming: Adaptive Stimulation Presented by: Neel Mehta, MD		8:00-8:25 AM Growth Opportunity of a Transitional Pain Service Presented by: Christopher Gharibo, MD
8:15-8:30 AM	From Subjective Pain to Objective Control: Closed-Loop SCS Presented by: Lawrence Poree, MD, MPH, PhD		
8:30-8:45 AM	The Art and Evidence of Choosing Between SCS and DRG. Presented by: Kenneth B. Chapman, MD		8:25-8:50 AM How Building a Research Program Enhances Your Reputation and...Revenue Presented by: Amol Soin, MD
8:45-9:00 AM	Expanding the Toolbox: Multimodal SCS for Individualized Care Presented by: Adnan Al-Kaisy, MB ChB, FRCA, FPMRCA, FIPP		8:50-9:15 AM Investing in Neuromodulation Presented by: Dawood Sayed, MD
9:00-9:15 AM	Proactive Care in SCS: Real-World Experience Presented by: Ramo Naidu, MD		

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9:15-9:30 AM	New Name Same High Frequency: Future of 10kHz SCS Presented by: Usman Latif, MD, MBA	9:15-9:40 AM	Topic: Managing Risk in Uncertain Times Presented by: David Mandell, JD, MBA
9:30-9:50 AM	Discussion Presented by: Adnan Al-Kaisy, MB ChB, FRCA, FPMRCA, FIPP, Hemant Kalia, MD, Usman Latif, MD, MBA	9:40-9:50 AM	Q & A
9:50-10:15 AM	Pearl Ballroom 1	Break with Exhibits Product Theater Presented by: <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>	
10:15-10:45AM	Keynote Presentation: Peripheral Nerve Stimulation Presented by: Robert Levy, MD, PhD	10:15-10:35 AM	The Physician Investor Presented by: Tak Cheung, MD
10:45-11:05AM	Is Restorative Neurostimulation of the Multifidus Muscle the New Standard of Care for Chronic Nonsurgical Low Back Pain? Presented by: Christopher J. Gilligan, MD, MBA	10:35- 10:55 AM	Your Front Staff Will Make or Break You: Important Lessons from a Veteran Presented by: Paul Lynch, MD
11:05-11:25AM	Cranial Facial Stimulation: The next frontier in PNS Presented by: Alaa Abd-Elsayed, MD, MBA, MPH, CPE, FASA, FASIPP	10:55- 11:15 AM	Revenue Cycle Management Presented by: Harold Cordner, MD
11:25-11:45AM	Long Term Efficacy with 60-day PNS Presented by: David Dickerson, MD	11:15- 11:35 AM	Creating a Tax Efficient Wealth Management Strategy Presented by: Paul Lynch, MD, David Mandell, JD, MBA
11:45-12:00PM	Peripheral Nerve Stimulation in our Toolbox Presented by: Harry P. Sukumaran, MD	11:35- 12:00 PM	Adding Workman’s Comp and Personal Injury to Your Practice Presented by: Kenneth B. Chapman, MD

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Plenary Session Room: Pearl Ballroom 3-4 Moderated by: Neel Mehta, MD		Business Bootcamp (BBC) - Billing and Coding Course Room Name: Anchor 2-3 Moderated by: Yeshvant Navalgund, MD	
1:00-1:20 PM	Innovation in an Era of Turmoil Presented by: Brad Maruca	1:00-1:30 PM	Topic: The Administrator as the Hub: Managing Clinical Risk, Compliance, and Communication Across the Organization Presented by: Kerri Tropeano
1:20-1:40 PM	Trends in Neuromodulation Presented by: Jeremy Koff, MBA, MPA		
1:40-2:00 PM	What does it take to be a physician innovator Presented by: Leo Kapural, MD, PhD	1:30-2:00 PM	Topic: Governance, Growth, and Exit Strategy in Pain Practice Presented by: Harry P. Sukumaran, MD
2:00-2:30 PM	Pearl Ballroom 1 Break with Exhibits Product Theater presented by Patient: TBD Engineer: TBD <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>		
2:30-2:50 PM	Using the Media to Enhance Patient Care Presented by: Paul Christo, MD, MBA	2:30-3:30 PM	Topic: How to Navigate Eligibility, Pre-Authorization, and Revenue Cycle Management Process Presented by: Mikaela Hawkinson
2:50-3:10 PM	Artificial Intelligence Presented by: Ryan Budwany, MD, MBA, MPH		
3:10-3:30 PM	Will AI Help Us or Hurt Patients in 2027 Presented by Usman Latif, MD, MBA	3:30-4:00 PM	Topic: From Private Practice to Hospital Leadership: Scaling Beyond the Clinic Presented by: Ovidiu Palea, MD
3:30-3:50 PM	Current Challenges in Academic Medicine Presented by: Scott G. Pritzlaff, MD, CIPS, FIPP		
3:50-4:10 PM	Pain Medicine from an Editor's Perspective Presented by: Michael Schatman, PhD	4:00-4:30 PM	Physician to KOL to Patient Presented by: Brian Durkin, DO

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4:10-4:30 PM	Business of Medicine Presented by: Scott Becker, JD		4:30 - 5:00 PM	Topic: Medical-Legal Consulting: A Practical Guide for Pain Physicians Presented by: Stanley Golovac, MD
4:30-5:00 PM	Q & A All of the above			
5:00-6:00 PM	Pearl Ballroom 1	Cocktail Reception with Exhibits <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>		
6:00-6:30 PM	Anchor 2-3	APP Reception <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>		
6:30-9:00 PM	Faculty Dinner - By Invitation only Sponsored by <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>			

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7:00-8:00 AM	Breakfast Symposium sponsored by Pentec Health Pearl Ballroom 2 <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>		
Plenary Session Room: Pearl Ballroom 3-4 Moderated by: Peter Staats, MD, MBA		APP Program <i>The Future Is Team-Based: APPs on the Front Line of Innovation, AI, and High-Performance Pain Practices</i> Room Name: Anchor 2-3 APP Course Directors: Patrick McGinn, PA-C, Casey Grillo, FNP-C, Zohra Hussani, MSN, FNP-BC, MBA	
8:00-8:20 AM	Can We Solve Long Covid with Neuromodulation Presented by: Peter S. Staats, MD, MBA and Leo Kapural, MD, PhD	8:00-8:05 AM	Welcome and Introduction
		8:05-8:20 AM	The Art and Business of being an APP in IPM Presented by: Casey Grillo, FNP-C
8:20-8:40 AM	New treatments for Fibromyalgia Presented by: Louis Fandos, MD	8:20-9:00 AM	AI and Remote Monitoring: What Does the Future Hold? Presented by: Usman Latif, MD, MBA
8:40-9:00 AM	POTS and Spinal Cord Stimulation Presented by: David Dickerson, MD		
9:00-9:20 AM	Innovative Drugs in Development Presented by: Jeff Gudin, MD	9:00-9:20 AM	MIS: Spacers, SIJ fusion, and Facet Screws, Oh My! Presented by: Nicole Busch, APRN
9:20-9:40 AM	Hormonal Transitions and Pain: Integrating HRT Into Modern Pain Practice Presented by: Jennifer Hah, MD	9:20-9:50 AM	Neuromodulation Panel: SCS/DRG/PNS Indications, Troubleshooting Moderator: Zohra Hussani, MSN, FNP-BC, MBA Panelists: Hannah Sisti, PA-C, Juliana Buendia, PA-C, Brian Durkin, DO, and Patrick McGinn, PA-C
9:40-9:50 AM	Q & A all of the above Moderator: Peter Staats, MD, MBA Panelists: Leo Kapural, MD, PhD, Louis Fandos, MD, David Dickerson, MD, Jeff Gudin, MD, Jennifer Hah, MD		

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10:20-10:40 AM	Keynote Presentation: Evolution of Clinical Trials in Neuromodulation Presented by: Robert Levy, MD, PhD	10:20-10:40 AM	Anterior Column Pain Generators Presented by: Kristen Durkin, RN, AGNP-C
10:40-11:00 AM	Why Don't You Offer Head and Neck Treatment? Presented by: Miles Day, MD	10:40-11:00 AM	When in Doubt, Refer Out: A Bridge Between IPM and Spine Surgery Presented by: Juliana Buendia, PA-C
11:00-11:20 AM	Treating Anterior Column Pain: The Next Frontier Presented by: Doug Beall, MD	11:00-11:20 AM	Policy updates: Navigating Insurance Denials, Reimbursement, and Documentation Pitfalls Presented by: Hemant Kalia, MD
11:20-11:40 AM	Novel Intradiscal Therapy Presented by: Usman Latif, MD, MBA	11:20-12:00 PM	Clinical Approach to Common Pain Syndromes: Exam Findings and Imaging Pearls Presented by: Harry P. Sukumaran, MD
11:40-12:00 PM	Targeted Intrathecal Drug Delivery: What's Old is New Again! Presented by: Lawrence Poree, MD, MPH, PhD		
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1:20-1:40 PM	SI Joint Fusion Update: New Toys, New Codes, and New Studies Presented by: Dawood Sayed, MD		
1:40-2:00 PM	The Autonomic Nervous system and PTSD Presented by: Suneetha Budamapati, MD		
2:00-2:20 PM	Training the Next Generation of Pain Physicians Presented by: Scott G. Pritzlaff, MD, CIPS, FIPP	2:00-2:20 PM	When Interventions Have Failed...What Next? A Look into Non-Opioid Medication Therapies Presented by: Hannah Sisti, PA-C
2:20-2:40 PM	Is Endoscopic Surgery the Natural Extension of IPM? Or a Bridge Too Far Presented by: Ovidiu Palea, MD	2:20-3:00 PM	Hitting the Bullseye - Identifying Landmarks for Clinical Injections (TPI, IA) Presented by: Brian Durkin, DO, and Kristen Durkin, RN, AGNP-C
2:40-3:00 PM	MIS Spinal Interventions for Pain Physicians Presented by: Kasra Amirdelfan, MD		
3:00-3:30 PM	Break with Exhibits <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>		
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3:30-4:00 PM	Why Do We Need So Many Societies? Miles Day, MD, INS & WIP, Dawood Sayed, MD, Co-Chair ASPN, Dave Provenzano, MD, ASRA, Christopher Gharibo, MD, ASIPP, Peter Staats, MD, MBA, FPCA, Ramo Naidu, MD, PSPS		
4:00-4:45 PM	CMO and Alternative Path for Medical Doctors		

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Panelists: David Caraway, MD, PhD (Globus/Nevro) , Allen Burton, MD (Abbott), Anish Patel, MD, MBA (AIS)

4:45-5:25 PM
CEO What Keeps Me Up at Night?
Moderated by: Peter S. Staats, MD, MBA
Panelists: Maria Bennett (SPR)

5:25-5:45 PM
Q&A

5:45-7:30 PM
Awards Cocktail Reception
Room Name: Pearl Ballroom 3-4
Hosted by: Peter S. Staats, MD, MBA and Sean Li, MD
Sponsored by:
Awards Ceremony

- Top Abstract: Presented by Michael Schatman, MD
- Gator Pit Best Pitch: Presented by Jeremy Koff
- Excellence in Clinical Care: Dave Dickerson, MD-Presented by Miles Day, MD
- Researcher of the Year: Usman Latif, MD- Presented by Alaa Abd-Elseyed, MD, MBA, MPH, CPE, FASA, FASIPP
- APP of the Year: Kristen Durkin, AGNP-C- Presented by Zohra Hussani, MSN, FNP-BC, MBA
- Health Policy Impact Award: Hemant Kalia, MD- Presented by Peter Staats, MD, MBA
- International Scholar Award: Adnan Al-Kaisy, MB ChB, FRCA, FPMRCA, FIPP- Presented by Kasra Amirdelfan, MD
- International Innovator Award: Ovidiu Palea, MD- Presented by Sean Li, MD
- Lifetime Achievement Award: Lawrence Poree, MD, MPH, PhD- Presented by Peter Staats, MD, MBA

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6:30-8:30 PM
NSPC Town Hall Meeting and Dinner - NSPC employees and affiliates only
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Plenary Session – The Next Big Thing: Where Pain Medicine, Science and Business Intersect

Room: Pearl Ballroom 3-4

Moderated by: Yeshvant Navalgund, MD

8:00 AM	Continental Breakfast and Registration
8:00-8:20 AM	Is Academic Medicine the Right Career Track for Me? Panelists: Alaa Abd-Elseyed, MD, MBA, MPH, CPE, FASA, FASIPP, Paul Christo, MD, MBA, Scott G. Pritzlaff, MD, CIPS, FIPP, Neel Mehta, MD and Miles Day, MD
8:20-8:40 AM	Regenerative Medicine Payer Updates Presented by: Aaron Calodney, MD, FASA, FIPP, ABIPP
8:40-9:00 AM	Which Model is Right for You MSO Private Equity or Going it Alone Presented by: Yeshvant Navalgund, MD
9:00-9:20 AM	Does Publishing Help Advance My Clinical Practice? Presented by: Alaa Abd-Elseyed, MD, MBA, MPH, CPE, FASA, FASIPP
9:20-9:40 AM	Behavioral Economics: Predicting Success Before the Procedure Presented by: Michael Schatman, PhD
9:40-10:00 AM	How Does Research Elevate Your Practice Presented by: Leo Kapural, MD, PhD
10:00-10:20 AM	Do I Need a Surgical Center as Part of my practice? Presented by: Paul Lynch, MD
10:20-10:40 AM	Community Care Network—A New and Noble Cause Presented: David Reece, DO

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11:00-11:20 AM	Can Building a Pump Program Expand Your Practice? Presented by: Aaron Calodney, MD
11:20-11:45 AM	WiSOR is Not So Wise Presented by: Hemant Kalia, MD
11:45-12:05 PM	Integrating Personal Injury and Workman's Comp Into Your Practice Presented by: Presented by: Paul Lynch, MD
12:05-12:35 PM	Functional Medicine and Longevity Presented by: Louis Fandos, MD
12:40 PM	Sessions Close