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**SPECIAL KEYNOTE SESSION**



**Thirty Years of MIS Innovation: What's New?**  
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## Minimally Invasive Surgery Symposium

Dear Colleague,

It is my pleasure to invite you to our upcoming Minimally Invasive Surgery Symposium (MISS), February 23 - 26, 2016 at the incomparable Encore at Wynn in Las Vegas, Nevada. Now in its 16th year, MISS is the premier meeting of thought leaders and pioneers in minimally invasive surgery for colon, hernia, foregut, and metabolic/bariatric surgery.

In addition to compelling general sessions, the 2016 MISS will offer hands-on training with optional workshops in laparoscopic suturing and endoscopy intervention. Special to this year's MISS will be Dr. Jeffrey Ponsky's insightful keynote on "Thirty Years of MIS Innovation: What's New?"

With flexible registration options, early bird rates, and our collegial Chairman's Reception (included in your registration fee) on Tuesday evening, MISS is an affordable, and enjoyable way to elevate your skills in the most advanced laparoscopic techniques while you earn essential CME credit (including optional MOC self-assessment credit).

Our magnificent host property, the Encore at Wynn Las Vegas is certain to add to your enjoyment of the conference -- and we have some surprises in store for you as well!

I hope to see you and your colleagues at the 2016 MISS.

Sincerely,

Philip R. Schauer, MD  
Executive Director, MISS



### OPTIONAL HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS

Limited space available. First come, first served!  
Each workshop offers 2 CME Credits

**Director: Brian R. Smith, MD, FACS**

**HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS** (Optional – separate fee required)

• **Improve Your Skills: Laparoscopic Suturing**

Tuesday, February 23, 2016, 8:15 AM – 10:15 AM

This hands-on course provides an overview of laparoscopic suturing skills and how they allow surgeons to advance to an expert level by adding the flexibility of intracorporeal suturing and knot tying.

• **Improve Your Skills: Interventional Endoscopy**

Tuesday, February 23, 2016, 10:45 AM – 12:45 PM

This hands-on workshop features endoscopic techniques for therapeutic endoscopy including clipping, thermal ablation, balloon dilation, and endoscopic stenting.

Please see web site [www.MISS-cme.org](http://www.MISS-cme.org) for complete workshop information.



## FACULTY

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## AGENDA

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### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2016

8:15 - 10:15 AM

**Optional Laparoscopic Suturing Workshop**

10:45AM - 12:45 PM

**Optional Endoscopic Interventions Workshop**

#### Colon Program

##### Colon Session I

1:00 - 1:15 PM Welcome and Introduction

1:15 - 1:30 PM Effects of SCIP Program on Colorectal Outcomes

1:30 - 1:45 PM When Bad Things Happen to Good People: Video Complications

1:45 - 2:00 PM Applications of Robotic XI in Colorectal Surgery

2:00 - 2:15 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty

2:15 - 2:30 PM ERAS Programs: How to Set up and Benefits

2:30 - 2:45 PM SIntracorporeal Anastomosis for Right Colectomy: How I Do it and Advantages

2:45 - 3:00 PM Middle Colic Artery: A Variety of Approaches for Control

3:00 - 3:15 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty

3:15 - 3:30 PM Refreshment Break

##### Colon Session II

3:30 - 3:45 PM Transanal TME: Anatomy and Approaches:

3:45 - 4:00 PM Robotic TME Surgery: Critical Anatomy and Technical Pearls

4:00 - 4:15 PM TAPP Blocks: Do they Help and How Can You Do Them: Data and Technique

4:15 - 4:30 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty

4:30 - 4:45 PM The Role of ICG on Anastomotic Assessment

4:45 - 5:00 PM TEM/TAMIS and Endoluminal Surgery: Outcomes and Techniques

5:00 - 5:15 PM Preop Nutritional Optimizations of the Colorectal Patient

5:15 - 5:30 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty

5:30 - 5:45 PM Refreshment Break

##### Colon Session III

5:45 - 6:00 PM Diverticulitis: From Washout to Diversion: When and Why?

6:00 - 6:15 PM Splenic Flexure Release: Supramesocolic and Inframesocolic Approaches: Video Demonstration

6:15 - 6:30 PM Immunologic Effects of Surgery: Clinical Implications for Our Patients

6:30 - 6:45 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty

6:45 - 7:00 PM Laparoscopic Treatment of Crohn's and the Handling of Biologic Agents around Surgery

7:00 - 7:15 PM The Role, Data and Incidence of Hand-assisted Colectomy

7:15 - 7:30 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty

7:30 - 9:30 PM **Chairman's Reception**

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2016

6:30 AM

*Breakfast/Exhibits*

#### Colon Program Continued

##### Colon Session IV:

7:30 - 7:45 AM Laparoscopic Colorectal Surgery in the Elderly: Dangerous or Preferable?

7:45 - 8:00 AM Laparoscopic Pouch Surgery: Single Port/Multiport or Robotic?

8:00 - 8:15 AM Single Port Colectomy: Dead or the Future? What's the Data?

8:15 - 8:30 AM Q&A/Panel with Faculty

8:30 - 8:45 AM Randomized Trials in Robotics: What's the Data?

8:45 - 9:00 AM Videos of Tough Problems in Laparoscopic Surgery

9:00 - 9:15 AM Lap and Robotic Colorectal Surgery: What's the Incidence of Adoption by Procedure in the USA and How Does this Compare to the World?

9:15 - 9:30 AM Q&A/Panel with Faculty

9:30 - 10:00 AM Refreshment Break/Exhibits

#### Hernia Program Part 1

##### Hernia Session I

*Quality*

10:00 - 10:15 AM ERAS and Preop Optimization for Hernia Repair

10:15 - 10:30 AM Development and Impact of Patient-Physician Relationships

10:30 - 10:45 AM Early Results from Quality Collaboration: What Have We Learned?

10:45 - 11:00 AM Q&A/Panel with Faculty

(Faculty and agenda subject to change. Please see web site for updated schedule.)

## Hernia Session II

### Chronic Groin Pain

- 11:00 - 11:15 AM Chronic Groin Pain: Is Mesh the Problem?
- 11:15 - 11:30 AM Chronic Groin Pain: Does Fixation Method Matter? (MIS and Open)
- 11:30 - 11:45 AM Prediction and Management of Chronic Groin Pain
- 11:45 - 12:00 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty
- 12:00 - 1:00 PM Sponsored Lunch Symposium
- 1:00 - 1:30 PM Dessert Break/Exhibits

## Foregut Program Part 1

### Foregut Session I

- 1:30 - 1:45 PM PPI Therapy is Best for Most GERD Patients
- 1:45 - 2:00 PM Sphincter Failure is Common in GERD and Best Treated with Surgery
- 2:00 - 2:15 PM Approach to the Obese Patient with GERD
- 2:15 - 2:30 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty
- 2:30 - 2:45 PM Nissen is Best Operation for GERD
- 2:45 - 3:00 PM Magnetic Sphincter Augmentation is Best Operation for GERD
- 3:00 - 3:15 PM Enteroscopy and Endoscopic Approach to GI Tumors
- 3:15 - 3:30 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty
- 3:30 - 3:45 PM Refreshment Break/Exhibits

## Hernia Program Part 2

### Hernia Session III

#### Mesh

- 3:45 - 4:00 PM Hernia Repair in Contaminated Fields: Large Pore Synthetic Mesh is Fine
- 4:00 - 4:15 PM Hernia Repair in Contaminated Fields: Newer Biosynthetic Meshes Have a Role
- 4:15 - 4:30 PM Antibiotics in Contaminated Hernia: What, Where, When and How to Deliver
- 4:30 - 4:45 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty

### Hernia Session IV

#### Robots and Hernia Repair

- 4:45 - 5:00 PM Lessons Learned in Robotic Hernia Repair: My Experience
- 5:00 - 5:15 PM Robotic TAR vs. Open TAR: Is it the Same Operation? Who Should Do?
- 5:15 - 5:30 PM Economics of Robotic Hernia Repair: Can We Afford this Technology?
- 5:30 - 5:45 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty
- 5:45 - 6:00 PM Refreshment Break/Exhibits

## Foregut Program Part 2

### Foregut Session II

- 6:00 - 6:15 PM POEM is Best Treatment for Achalasia
- 6:15 - 6:30 PM How Do I Work Up Patients with GERD?
- 6:30 - 6:45 PM Tips on Best Practices for Paraesophageal Hiatal Hernia Repair
- 6:45 - 7:00 PM Gastroenterologist Approach to Barrett's
- 7:00 - 7:15 PM Surgical Treatment of Barrett's
- 7:15 PM Keynote: Thirty Years of MIS Innovation: What's New?

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2016

- 6:30 - 7:30 AM Breakfast/Exhibits
- 7:00 - 8:00 AM Breakfast Symposium

## Metabolic/Bariatric Surgery Part 1

### Metabolic/Bariatric Surgery Session I

#### The Science and Metabolic & Diabetes Surgery: Part 1

- 8:00 - 8:10 AM Welcome/Introduction
- 8:10 - 8:30 AM Bile Salt Physiology and Metabolism: Implications for Bariatric Surgery
- 8:30 - 8:50 AM Obesity and Cancer Update
- 8:50 - 9:10 AM The Obesity Paradox in Chronic Disease and the Elderly
- 9:10 - 9:30 AM Issue of Dementia: Demonstrating Improved Cognitive Performance Following Bariatric Surgery
- 9:30 - 9:50 AM Q&A/Panel with Faculty
- 9:50 - 10:20 AM Refreshment Break/Exhibits

### Metabolic/Bariatric Surgery Session II

#### The Science and Metabolic & Diabetes Surgery: Part 2

- 10:20 - 10:30 AM Consensus Conference Principles: "Highlights of London Diabetes Surgery Summit 2015"

- 10:30 - 10:50 AM Management of Diabetes in 2016: Current treatments and success; What are the gaps and recent advances?
- 10:50 - 11:10 AM Update: Mechanisms of Remission
- 11:10 - 11:25 AM Evidence for Surgery: Summary of the RCT's
- 11:25 - 11:40 AM Diabetes Surgery for BMI < 35? Are We There Yet?
- 11:40 - 11:55 AM Investigational Procedures for T2DM: Ready Soon?
- 11:55 - 12:10 PM Evidence Based Utilization of Diabetes Surgery: Intervention for Early Disease vs Medically Uncontrolled
- 12:10 - 12:30 PM New Guideline Summary
- 12:30 - 12:45 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty
- 12:45 - 1:45 PM Sponsored Lunch Symposium
- 1:45 - 2:15 PM Dessert Break Exhibit Hall

### Metabolic/Bariatric Surgery Session III

#### Access, Quality and Optimizing Outcomes

- 2:15 - 2:35 PM Barriers to Access: Current Status
- 2:35 - 2:55 PM Key Quality Metrics for 2016: Are You in Compliance?
- 2:55 - 3:10 PM MBSAQIP: Quality Update: How Are We Doing?
- 3:10 - 3:25 PM Does Hospital Accreditation Matter?
- 3:25 - 3:40 PM MBSAQIP: Decreasing Readmissions Through Opportunities Provided (D.R.O.P)
- 3:40 - 3:55 PM COE Recertification - Pearls and Pitfalls
- 3:55 - 4:10 PM Tips for Improving Patient Experience and HCAP Scores
- 4:10 - 4:25 PM ASMBS Update
- 4:25 - 4:40 PM Q&A/Panel
- 4:40 - 4:55 PM Refreshment Break/Exhibits

### Metabolic/Bariatric Surgery Session IV

#### Videofest/Complications

- 4:55 - 5:10 PM Management of Acute v. Chronic Sleeve Obstruction
- 5:10 - 5:25 PM Management of Acute vs. Chronic Sleeve Leaks
- 5:25 - 5:40 PM Nutritional Deficiencies Post Bariatric Surgery
- 5:40 - 5:55 PM Long vs. Short Limb RYGB: Technique, Risks, Benefits
- 5:55 - 6:10 PM Lap Assisted ERCP
- 6:10 - 6:25 PM Marginal Ulcer - When to Operate, What to Do
- 6:25 - 6:40 PM DVT Prophylaxis Update - When to Extend?
- 6:30 - 6:55 PM Band to Bypass or Sleeve
- 6:55 - 7:10 PM Q&A/Panel

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2016

- 6:30 - 7:30 AM Breakfast
- 7:00 - 7:45 AM Breakfast Symposium

## Metabolic/Bariatric Surgery Part 2

### Metabolic/Bariatric Surgery Session V

#### Controversies and New Frontiers

- 7:50 - 8:20 AM Surgical Innovation: When is IRB Approval Required?
- 8:20 - 8:40 AM Literature Review of Revisional Bariatric Surgery
- 8:40 - 9:00 AM Revisional Surgery for Inadequate Weight Loss
- 9:00 - 9:20 AM Recommendations: Revisional Surgery for Complications
- 9:20 - 9:50 AM Q&A/Case Scenarios and Panel Discussions
- 9:50 - 10:05 AM Refreshment Break

### Metabolic/Bariatric Surgery Session VI

#### Controversies and New Frontiers (continued)

- 10:05 - 10:20 AM Bariatric Surgery for Non-bariatric Indications (eg. GERD). AND how to get paid for it!
- 10:20 - 10:35 AM Psychologic Predictors of Success and Failure after Bariatric Surgery
- 10:35 - 10:50 AM Endoscopic Revision of Gastrojejunostomy (GJ)
- 10:50 - 11:05 AM Who Gets a Band in 2016?
- 11:05 - 11:20 AM Robotic Bariatric Surgery 2016
- 11:20 - 11:35 AM Primary Endoluminal Procedures
- 11:35 - 11:50 AM Optimizing Efficiency in a High-Volume Practice: Out-Patient Sleeves and more...
- 11:50 - 12:05 PM Status of Duodenal Sleeve
- 12:05 - 12:20 PM Intragastric Balloon Data: Large Series, Systematic Reviews, Sequential Balloon Use, etc.
- 12:20 - 12:40 PM Vagal Blocking and Gastric Stimulation: Do They Work?
- 12:40 - 1:05 PM Q&A/Panel with Faculty
- 1:05 PM MISS Adjourns

## COURSE OBJECTIVES

### COLON PROGRAM 7.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™

After completing this activity, the participant will be able to do the following:

- Explain the technical aspects of laparoscopic colectomy with an emphasis on complicated disease processes including the reoperative abdomen, advanced malignancies, and pelvic dissection.
- Illustrate the principles of laparoscopic colon resection for benign and malignant disease with an emphasis on complex cases.
- Describe the available strategies to improve perioperative outcomes.
- Cite the different techniques of anastomotic creation and the potential ways to avoid and treat anastomotic leaks.
- Identify the different options for minimally invasive abdominal procedures including laparoscopy, handassisted techniques, the use of the robot, and SILS.

### HERNIA PROGRAM 4 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™

After completing this activity, participants will be able to:

- List the current common techniques for inguinal hernia repair
- Describe open and laparoscopic techniques for repair of ventral and incisional hernias.
- Compare the differences among biologic, synthetic, and biosynthetic meshes and when best to use them.

### FOREGUT PROGRAM 3.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™

After completing this activity, participants will be able to:

- Recognize and describe medical and surgical treatment options for GERD.
- Discuss treatments for GERD and esophageal cancer.
- Indicate and manage complications of surgical treatment for GERD.
- Identify and manage recurrence of disease.

### METABOLIC/BARIATRIC PROGRAM 12.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™

After completing this activity, the participant will be able to do the following:

- Summarize the recent research on obesity causes including genetic and biologic factors.
- Discuss the pros and cons for current bariatric surgical options for obese patients, and describe the appropriate perioperative care.
- Review the clinical trial evidence documenting the impact of bariatric surgery on cardiovascular morbidity, mortality, and risk factors.
- Analyze the efficacy of current obesity management strategies, including lifestyle, diets, pharmacology, and surgery.
- Diagnose and treat comorbidities associated with obesity including cancers, diabetes, and heart disease.

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	Until 1/29/16	After 1/29/16
<input type="checkbox"/> PHYSICIAN	\$795	\$995
<input type="checkbox"/> RESIDENTS/FELLOWS	\$645	\$745
<input type="checkbox"/> ALLIED HEALTH	\$575	\$675

### • COLON/HERNIA/FOREGUT (Includes admission to all Colon, Hernia, and Foregut General Sessions)

<input type="checkbox"/> PHYSICIANS	\$695	\$895
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<input type="checkbox"/> ALLIED HEALTH	\$445	\$545

### • BARIATRIC/HERNIA/FOREGUT (Includes admission to all Bariatric, Hernia, and Foregut General Sessions)

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	Until 1/29/16	After 1/29/16
<input type="checkbox"/> LAPAROSCOPIC SUTURING Tuesday, February 23, 2016	\$225	\$275
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