



Washington State Association of Neurological Surgeons Annual Meeting September 11-13, 2026 - Suncadia Resort, Cle Elum, Washington

Friday, September 11, 2026:

5:00 PM Registration Opens

6:00 – 7:00 Welcome Reception, Exhibit Fair and Dinner Buffet

7:15 – 7:25 **Welcome by WSANS President** – Stephen Monteith, MD, Swedish Neurosurgery

7:30 – 9:00 **KEYNOTE: “Awake at the Wound” & “Optimizing Performance In and Out of the OR”**
David Hanscom, MD & David Elaimy

Saturday, September 12, 2026:

7:00 – 8:30 AM Breakfast Buffet and Exhibit Fair

7:30 – 7:50 **“Prenatal Myelomeningocele Repair: Update on the state of the field and future directions,”** Matt Recker, MD, Pediatric Neurosurgery, Seattle Children’s

7:55 – 8:15 **“Lasers and Neurosurgery: An update on LITT for neurosurgical pathologies,”** Miri Kim, MD, PhD Neuro-Oncologist/Neurosurgeon, Providence Swedish Cancer Institute

8:20 – 8:40 **“Updates in Neuro Oncology,”** Alipi Bonmo, MD, PhD, Neurologist/Neuro-oncologist, Swedish Health Services

8:45 – 9:05 **“Spinal Column Shortening for Adult Tethered Cord Syndrome,”** Anubhav Amin, MD, Neurosurgeon, UW Medicine

9:10 – 9:40 Break

9:40 – 10:00 **“Brain Rinse Cycle,”** David Newell, MD, Seattle Neuroscience Institute

10:05 – 10:25 **“Real World Outcomes from GRASP, the Vivistim Post-Market Registry,”** Christopher Kellner, MD, Vivistim

10:30 – 11:30 **“Chemogenetic Control of Central Nervous System Pericytes,”** Julian Clarke, MD, Neurosurgery Resident, UW Medicine
“TBD” Adriel Barios-Anderson, MD, Neurosurgery Resident, UW Medicine

“Adverse Events Within 24 hours After 1070 Adult Brain Tumor Surgeries Recovered in a Neurocritical Care Unit or a Postanesthesia Care Unit,” Abdulrahman Alman, MD, Fellow, UW Medicine

“Stand Alone LVIS Stenting for PICA Aneurysms,” James Brazdjonas, MD, Cerebrovascular Fellow, Swedish

11:30 – 12:30 Lunch

11:45 – 12:05 **“Negating Brain Surgery’s Number One Complication,”** Ray King, MD, MBA, Phasor Health

12:30 – 5:30 Time on your own (Golf, Wine Tasting, hiking, swimming)

5:30 – 7:00 PM Reception, Exhibit Fair & Workshops

6:00 – 6:30 Workshop: **“Exploring New Techniques for Bone Removal,”** Jon Hougham

6:30 – 7:00 Workshop:

7:00 – 8:30 Dinner Buffet

7:15 – 8:15 **“Why Brilliant People Hate Conflict - A practical discussion on how to navigate the world of conflict resolution at the worksite,”** Karl Pister, The Coaching Group

8:15 – 9:00 Moderator: Katie Krause, MD, PhD, WSANS Secretary, Neuosurgery, Virginia Mason Franciscan Health

“Discussion, Debate: Robotics vs’ Old School?”

JC Leveque, MD, Virginia Mason Franciscan Health

Andrew Manista, MD, Orthopedic Surgery, Olympic Orthopedic Associates

Sunday, September 13, 2026:

8:00 – 10:00 AM Breakfast Buffet, WSANS Business meeting

11:00 AM Suncadia Check-out Time