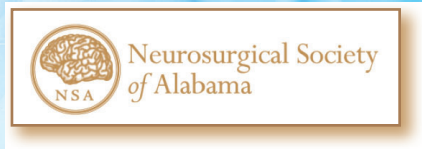


# Neurosurgical Society of Alabama 2024 Conference



MAY 31-JUNE 2 • The Grand Hotel Golf Resort and Spa

## AGENDA

### FRIDAY, MAY 31

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
Welcome Reception

### SATURDAY, JUNE 1

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.  
Registration/Breakfast with Exhibitors

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

#### HONORED GUEST SPEAKER

Ace in the Hole: The Role of a Bone-anchored Annular Closure Device

**Betsy Grunch, MD, FAANS, FACS,**  
Neurosurgeon, Longstreet Clinic

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Middle Meningeal Artery Embolization for Chronic Subdural Hematomas: Ready for Prime Time

**Andrew White, DO,** Interventional Neuroradiologist, Radiology of Huntsville

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

How to Build a Successful Clinical Research Program: Lessons Learned

**Anastasia Smith, MPH,** Clinical Research Management, UAB Division of Pediatric Neurosurgery

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Morning Break with Exhibitors

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Mitigating Insurance Claims in Neurosurgery

**Kelly Riedl, PA-C,** Risk Management Consultant, ProAssurance

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Overview of Alabama's Medical Cannabis Law

**Brandy Boone, JD,** General Counsel, Medical Association of the State of Alabama

12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Business Session

6:30 p.m.

Cocktails followed by dinner (pending interest)

### SUNDAY, JUNE 2

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Registration/Breakfast with Exhibitors

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Stroke Rehabilitation and Recovery

**Chen Lin, MD,** Associate Professor, Department of Neurology, UAB Heersink School of Medicine

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

#### HONORED GUEST SPEAKER

Brand Building and Authenticity in Medicine

**Betsy Grunch, MD, FAANS, FACS,** Neurosurgeon, Longstreet Clinic

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Navigating the Different Contours of Landscape in Posterior Fossa Skull Base Tumors

**Jai Thakur, MD,** Assistant Professor, Department of Neurosurgery, USA Whiddon College of Medicine

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Morning Break with Exhibitors

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Clinical Outcomes of Patients with Refractory Trigeminal Neuralgia: Case Series of Patients with Failed Radiation or Surgical Therapy

**Yasaman Alam, MD,** Neurosurgery Resident, University of Alabama At Birmingham Medical Center

11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Jumping Prior Authorization Hurdles: A Step-by-Step Guide for How to Win Spine Surgery Approval

**Richard Menger, MD, MPA,** Vice Chair and Assistant Professor, Department of Neurosurgery, USA Whiddon College of Medicine

11:30 a.m. Evaluation and Adjourn

**Registration:** Register online at [tinyurl.com/NSA2024Conference](https://tinyurl.com/NSA2024Conference)

**Accommodations:** The Grand Hotel Golf Resort & Spa, One Grand Blvd, Point Clear, AL 36564  
The NSA discounted rates begin at \$299 per night. Call (855) 999-0490 and ask for the Neurosurgical Society of Alabama room block. The block will close April 20, 2024.