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Thursday, October 15, 2026

Time	Location	Topic	Faculty
2:00 - 6:00 PM	Kiran ABC	Exhibitors are welcome to set up	
3:00 - 6:00 PM	Executive Boardroom	FSIPP Board of Directors Board Meeting Hosted by All in One Admin, LLC <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>	By Invitation Only
	Off-site	Board Directors Dinner Hosted by Spinal Simplicity <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>	By Invitation Only

Friday, October 16, 2026

Time	Location	Topic	Faculty
7:15 AM	Kiran Foyer	Registration Opens	
7:15-8:00 AM	Kiran ABC	Breakfast and Networking <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>	



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General Session
Protecting your Income and your Practice: Staying Afloat at Sea
Room Name: Pallavi Ballroom
 Moderator: Deborah H. Tracy MD, MBA

Time	Topic	Faculty
8:00-8:10 AM	Welcome and Introduction	Maulik K. Bhalani, MD, FSIPP President and Vania Fernandez, MD, FSIPP President Elect
8:10-8:40 AM	Reimagining Denials	Presented by: Cheryl Taylor, MD
8:40-9:10 AM	Revenue Cycle Management (RCM). Using Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)	Presented by: Lindsey Wisniewski, COO
9:10-9:30 AM	National Audits: Kyphoplasty (other SMRC), Targeted Probe and Educate Audits (TPE), RAC audits, UPIC, ADR, OIG	Presented by: Deborah Tracy, MD, MBA
9:30-10:00 AM	First Coast Service Options, Medicare Administrative Contractor Update	Presented by: Kate Sayeed, MD, MBA, Contractor, Medical Director (Via Zoom)
10:00-10:10 AM	Q&A Panel Session	Moderated by: Maulik K. Bhalani, MD and Vania Fernandez, MD Panelists: Deborah Tracy, MD, MBA, Cheryl Taylor, MD, Lindsey Wisniewski, COO, and Harold Cordner, MD



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AI Solutions for Successful Implementation
Room Name: Pallavi Ballroom
 Moderator: Deborah Tracy, MD, MBA

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10:10-10:40 AM	Kiran ABC	Break with Exhibits and Poster Viewing Product Theater hosted by Vertex Pharmaceuticals <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>	
10:40-11:00 AM	Legal Liability when Using AI Scribes		Presented by: Harold Cordner, MD
11:00-11:40 AM	AI Solutions for Successful Implementation		Presented by: Mickey Smith
11:40-12:00 PM	Obstacles in Implementing AI		Presented by: Hayes Milani
12:00-1:00 PM	Kiran ABC	Lunch Symposium. Sponsorship Available <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>	
Keynote Speaker Presentation Room Name: Pallavi Ballroom Moderator: Maulik K. Bhalani, MD and Vania Fernandez, MD			
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1:00-1:45 PM	Key Health Care Trends and Issues		Presentation by: Scott Becker



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General Session Rough Seas - Make Sure You Can Survive the Big Waves Room Name: Pallavi Ballroom Moderator: Harold Cordner, MD		APP Breakout Course Room Name: Coral Moderators: Michael F. Esposito, MD, and Marie Zambelli, MSN, APRN, FNP-C
1:50-2:05 PM Florida Legislative Update Presented by: Marnie George		1:50-2:10 PM Topic: From Columns to Clarity: Targeting Anterior, Middle & Posterior Lumbar Pain — Case-Based Insights Presented by: Kristen Durkin, RN, AGNP-C
2:05-2:25 PM Battles to Protect Your Practice at the Legislative Level Presented by: Vania Fernandez, MD		2:10-2:25 PM Topic: Decoding Discogenic Pain: Modern Therapies & Real-World Cases Presented by: Marie Zambelli, MSN, APRN, FNP-C
2:25-2:45 PM Denials and Prior Authorizations for Medicare and Medicare Advantage Plans Presented by: Harold Cordner, MD		2:25-2:45 PM Topic: Remote Neuromodulation 101: Practical Strategies Presented by: Evan Jay, PA
2:45-3:05 PM Q&A Panel Session Moderated by: Harold Cordner, MD Presented by: Marnie George, Darren McAuley, DO and Vania Fernandez, MD		2:45-3:05 PM Topic: Synergy in Care: Maximizing Outcomes with Physical Medicine plus Interventional Procedures Presented by: Stacie Seeram, PA-C
3:05-3:30 PM	Kiran ABC	Break with Exhibits and Poster Viewing. Sponsorship Available. <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>



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General Session
Deep Into the Clinical Sea
Room Name: Pallavi Ballroom
 Moderator: Harold Dalton, DO

Time	Topic	Faculty
3:30-3:50 PM	Anti-thrombotics in IPM	Presented by: Mahendra Sanapati, MD
3:50-4:10 PM	Is Placebo the Most Powerful Analgesic We Prescribe? Neurobiology, Evidence, and Clinical Implications	Presented by: Nick Knezevic, MD
4:10-4:30 PM	Cancer Pain	Presented by: Amitabh Gulati, MD
4:30-4:50 PM	Optimization of Clinical and Operational Issues in Interventional Pain Practices	Presented by: John V. Prunskis, MD, FIPP
4:50-5:15 PM	Should Pain Consolidate?	Presented by: Mark Wade
5:15 - 6:00 PM	A Champagne Toast to Celebrate our Journey Presented by: Vania E. Fernandez, MD, Marnie George and FSIPP Board of Directors Sponsorship available <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>	

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Industry are welcome to hold any evening events after 6:30PM. Please do not plan any events that conflict with the educational programming or events. Thank you for your consideration.



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7:00 AM	Kiran Foyer	Registration Opens
7:00-8:00 AM	Kiran ABC	Breakfast Symposium hosted by Pentec Health <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>
General Session High Seas: Rising Above the Surface of Normal Injections Room Name: Pallavi Ballroom Moderator: Wayne Nguyen, MD		APP Breakout Course Room Name: Coral Moderators: Michael F. Esposito, MD, and Marie Zambelli, MSN, APRN, FNP-C
8:00-8:25 AM Epidural Adhesiolysis Presented by: Miles Day, MD		8:00-8:20 AM Topic: MRI Masterclass: Reading Scans Like a Specialist — Cases, Pitfalls & Red Flags Presented by: Michael Esposito, MD
8:25-8:50 AM Updates in Regenerative Medicine Including Stem Cells and Exosomes Presented by: Kenneth Candido, MD		8:20-8:40 AM Topic: The Complex Lumbar Patient: Diagnostic Strategies and Treatment Pathways — Case Workshop Presented by: Sean Li, MD



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General Session Advanced Procedures: SEAIing Inside the Spine Room Name: Pallavi Ballroom Moderator: Wayne Nguyen, MD	APP Breakout Course Room Name: Coral Moderators: Michael F. Esposito, MD, and Marie Zambelli, MSN, APRN, FNP-C
8:50-9:10 AM Autologous Stem Cell Injections for DJD Presented by: James Ghattas, DO	8:40-9:00 AM Topic: Minimally Invasive Spine Solutions: Managing Dynamic Instability with Case Examples Presented by: Jonathan Daitch, MD
9:10-9:30 AM Intrathecal Therapy for Pain and Spasticity Presented by: Michael Creamer, DO	9:00-10:10 AM Topic: Physical Exam Red Flags: Spot the Signs Before It's Too Late Presented by: Ali Valimahomed, MD, FAAPMR and Harold Dalton, DO
9:30-9:50 AM BVN Ablation in a Center of Excellence Presented by: Brian Goldberg, MD	10:10-10:30 AM Discussion and Q&A
9:50-10:10 AM Emerging Intradiscal Treatments Presented by: Robert Ball, DO, MS	
10:10-10:30 AM Endoscopic Spine Surgery as an IPM Physician Presented by: Sanjeev Kumar, MD	



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10:30-11:00 AM	Kiran ABC	Morning Break with Exhibits and Poster Viewing. Sponsorship Available. <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>
General Session Advanced Procedures: SEAing Outside the Spine Room Name: Pallavi Ballroom Moderator: Louis Raso, MD		APP Breakout Course Room Name: Coral Moderators: Michael F. Esposito, MD, and Marie Zambelli, MSN, APRN, FNP-C
11:00-11:20 AM Peripheral Nerve Stimulation (Easy Wins) Presented by: Ali Valimahomed, MD, FAAPMR		11:00-11:20 AM Topic: Restorative Stimulation in Practice: Case-Based Success Stories Presented by: Sean Li, MD
11:20-11:40 AM Perfecting the PNS Implant Presented by: Alaa Abd-Elseyed, MD, MPH, FASA		11:20-11:40 AM Topic: Medical Necessity Made Defensible: Documentation Workshop with Case Review Presented by: Kristen Durkin, RN, AGNP-C
11:40-12:00 PM Cervicogenic Headache: Interventional Perspectives Presented by: Sean Li, MD		11:40 -12:00 PM Topic: SCS, DRG, PNS...Right Therapy for the Right Patient Presented by: Noman Azeem, MD
12:00-12:20 PM DRG for Multiple Clinical Conditions Presented by: Dennis J. Patin, MD		12:00-12:15 PM Q & A
12:20-1:40 PM	Kiran ABC	Lunch Symposium. Sponsored by Boston Scientific <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>



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General Session Advanced Surgical Procedures Room Name: Pallavi Ballroom Moderator: Sunil Panchal, MD	APP Breakout Course Room Name: Coral Moderators: Michael F. Esposito, MD, Wayne Nguyen, MD, and Marie Zambelli, MSN, APRN, FNP-C
1:40-2:00 PM Update on Interspinous Spacers and Interspinous Fusion Presented by: Louis Raso, MD	1:40-2:00 PM Topic: Navigating Opioid Alternatives: Buprenorphine & Methadone in Pain Care Presented by: Patrick McGinn, PA 2:00 -2:20 PM Topic: Beyond Opioids: Adjuvant Medication Strategies for Complex Pain Presented by: Evan Jay, PA
2:00-2:20 PM Transfacet and Intrafacet Implants Presented by: Jonathan Daitch, MD	2:20-2:40 PM Topic: Facial Pain Management: Tailored Approaches and Case Studies Presented by: Miles Day, MD
2:20-2:40 PM Update on Sacroiliac Joint Surgery Presented by: Sunil Panchal, MD	2:40-3:00 PM Topic: Clinical Conundrums: Don't Put Yourself or Your Patient in Jeopardy: Session 1 Anterior Column Pain, Posterior Column Pain, To Fuse or Not to Fuse, Radiology Red Flags, Physical Exam Pearls and Medications: Friend or Foe? Presented by: Michael F. Esposito, MD and Marie Zambelli, MSN, APRN, FNP-C
2:40-3:00 PM Q&A Panel Session Moderated by: Sunil Panchal, MD Presented by: Louis Raso, MD, Jonathan Daitch, MD	



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3:00-3:30 PM	Kiran ABC	Afternoon Break with Exhibits and Poster Viewing. Sponsorship Available. <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>
General Session Business Considerations in Pain Management: BIG Waves in the SEA. Room Name: Pallavi Ballroom Moderator: Miguel de la Garza, MD		APP Breakout Course Room Name: Coral Moderators: Michael F. Esposito, MD, Wayne Nguyen, MD, and Marie Zambelli, MSN, APRN, FNP-C
3:30-3:50 PM RFA: The Real Way Presented by: Stanley Golovac, MD		3:30-3:50 PM Topic: Clinical Conundrums: Don't Put Yourself or Your Patient In Jeopardy. Session 2: Tight Squeeze/Stenosis, CRPS: Burning Questions Answered, Peripheral or Spinal Stimulation, Drug Adverse Effects, Anatomy Under Pressure and Being a Pain Diagnosis Detective Presented by: Michael F. Esposito, MD and Marie Zambelli, MSN, APRN, FNP-C
3:50-4:10 PM Cybersecurity and Data Privacy Concerns Around Neural Devices Presented by: Erika A. Petersen, MD, FAANS		3:50-4:10 PM Ask the Experts Panel Q&A: Get Answers to Your Burning Questions
General Session Room Name: Pallavi Ballroom Moderator: Maulik Bhalani, MD		
4:10-4:45 PM	The Intersection of Pain, Mental Health and Addiction—What I Refer to as “Tri-Diagnosis” Presented by: Paul Lynch, MD	



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GROUNDING PARTY FUNdraiser and NETWORKING Event

Beach Chic - White Shirt - No Shoes

"Keeping our Feet in the Sand and Connecting to Earth"

Everyone is Welcome!!! - Drinks, Appetizers, and Fun Entertainment for ALL - Sponsors, Spouses, Attendees, Guests, and Families are ALL WELCOME

4:45-6:45 PM

Where? - On the Beach, of course!

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ALL ARE WELCOME to attend and participate in the FUNdraiser on the beach. Note to our industry partners, please plan on joining us and participating in this event. Please DO NOT plan any events that conflict with this important event for FSIPP. Evening events are welcome to start after 7:30PM.

**** Exhibits are welcome to break down after the Afternoon Break concludes**



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7:30 AM		Kiran Foyer	Registration Opens
7:30-8:00 AM		Kiran Foyer	Continental Breakfast <i>*Not part of the CME program, no CME credit</i>
General Session Room Name: Kiran Grand Ballroom Moderator: Wayne Nguyen, MD			
8:00-8:30 AM		Top 3 Abstracts Awards and Presentation - 10 minutes each Moderated by: Wayne Nguyen, MD Title Presented by: Title Presented by: Title Presented by:	
8:30-9:00 AM		The Business Side of Healthcare Marketing, Mergers and Acquisitions; Private Equity and Roll-Ups; Billing; Surgery Center Development and Real Estate	Presented by: Paul Lynch, MD
9:00-9:25 AM		Intrathecal Drug Delivery - Lessons Learned	Presented by: Dennis J. Patin, MD
9:25-9:45 AM		Military & Veteran Healthcare: Unique Treatment Considerations	Presented by: David E. Reece, DO, FAAPM&R, FAANEM, MAJ(P), MC, USA



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9:45-10:05 AM		AI	Ryan Budwany, MD
10:05-10:25 AM		Multifidus Stimulation - Start NOW	Vijay Babu, MD
10:25-10:45 AM		Endoscopic Rhizotomy	Sanjeev Kumar, MD
10:45-11:05 AM		Wrap Up and Discussion on Getting Involved in FSIPP	Maulik Bhalani, MD and Vania Fernandez, MD
11:05-12:15 PM		Round Table Sessions Session 1 - 11:05-11:25 AM Session 2 - 11:25-11:45 AM Session 3 - 11:45-12:05 PM Wrap Up and Final Discussion - 12:05-12:15 PM Discussion Leaders: - Jonathan Daitch, MD - Starting and Running Your Own Surgery Center - Julio Paez, MD - Why Partner with a Hospital - Vijay Babu, MD, Michael Esposito, MD and Louis Raso, MD - Mentorship on how to become a KOL and Clinical Presenter - Maulik Bhalani, MD and Rene Przkora, MD, MBA - Cultivating a Relationship with Academic Institutes - Vania Fernandez, MD - Getting Involved in Advocacy and FSIPP Leadership - Wayne Nguyen, MD - TBD - Andrea Trescot, MD - Starting and Developing PNS for your Patients - Stanley Golovac, MD - Building your Practice for Acquisition	

Conclusion of the day