2026 South Carolina Brain and Spine Meeting
Friday, December 4 – Sunday, December 6, 2026
The Sanctuary Hotel | Kiawah Island, SC

AGENDA

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2026	
4:00 – 6:00 PM	Exhibitor Set-Up
4:00 – 7:00 PM	Attendee Registration
6:00 – 7:00 PM	Opening Cocktail Reception in the Exhibit Hall
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2026	
7:00 – 8:30 AM	Registration, Exhibit Viewing, & Breakfast
7:30 – 7:35AM	Welcome & Opening Remarks **Libby Infinger, MD** - President, SCANS **Charles Opalak, MD** – President-Elect, SCANS
7:35 – 7:55 AM	*Implementing TCDs into Everyday Practice* **Jimmy Suh, MD**
7:55 – 8:00 AM	Questions & Answers
8:00 – 8:20 AM	*Management of central cord syndrome: what has changed?* **Gregoire Chatain, MD**
8:20 – 8:25 AM	Questions & Answers
8:25 – 8:35 AM	*Starting an endoscopic spine program* **Samuel Asante, MD**
8:35 – 8:40 AM	Questions & Answers
8:40 – 9:00 AM	TBD **Mark Miller, DMD, MD**
9:00 – 9:05 AM	Questions & Answers
9:05 – 9:25 AM	*Planning for the future: utilization of 3D planning software to predict surgical outcomes in craniosynostosis* **Erin Kiehna, MD**
9:25 – 9:30 AM	Questions & Answers
9:30 – 9:50 AM	*Weathering the Storm: Recognition and Management of PSH After Brain Injury* **Cara Arpey, MD**
9:50 – 9:55 AM	Questions & Answers
9:55 – 10:30 AM	Break & Visit Exhibitors
10:30 – 10:50 AM	*MUSC Neurosurgery: Past, Present and Future* **Alex Spiotta, MD**
10:50 – 10:55 AM	Questions & Answers
10:55 – 11:40 AM	KEYNOTE SPEAKER: *TBD* **Eric Sribnick MD, PHD**
11:40 – 11:45 AM	Questions & Answers
11:45 – 12:05 PM	*Anterior Column Pain: Diagnosis and Treatment Across the Spectrum of Care* **Keith Polston, MD**
12:05 – 12:10 PM	Questions & Answers
12:10 – 12:50 PM	Resident Paper Contest (8 minute presentation)
12:10 – 12:18 PM	*Surfing, Head and Neck Injury, and the Neurosurgeon: What the Ocean Can Teach Us About Neurotrauma* **Brain Saway, MD**
12:18 – 12:26 PM	TBD **Timothy Webb, MD**
12:26 – 12:34 PM	*Beyond the Plumbing: Pharmacologic Brain Protection with Azithromycin in IVH*

	Taylor Jones
12:34 – 12:42 PM	*Cracking Under Pressure: High ICP Drives Astrocyte Dysfunction* **Braden Oldham**
12:42 – 12:50 PM	Resident Paper Questions & Answers
6:30 – 8:30 PM	Dinner Party on the Terrace Lawn and Ballroom at The Sanctuary Hotel
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2026	
7:00 – 8:30 AM	Registration, Exhibit Viewing, & Breakfast
7:55 – 8:00 AM	Announcements **Libby Infinger, MD** - President, SCANS **Charles Opalak, MD** – President-Elect, SCANS
8:00 – 8:20 AM	*Implementation of robotics in complex pediatric and young adult deformity* **Robert Murphy, MD**
8:20 – 8:25 AM	Questions & Answers
8:25 – 8:45 AM	*Baclofen Pumps* **Scott Benjamin, MD**
8:45 – 8:50 AM	Questions & Answers
8:50 – 9:40 AM	Keynote Speaker: *TBD* **Stephen Kalhorn, MD**
9:40 – 9:45 AM	Questions & Answers
9: 45 – 10:05 AM	*Prehab in Spine Surgery* **James Eubanks, MD**
10:05 – 10:10 AM	Questions & Answers
10:10 – 10:40 AM	Break & Visit Exhibits
10:40 – 11:00 AM	*Severe Traumatic Brain Injury: From Resuscitation to Prognostication* **Dan Snelgrove, MD**
11:00 – 11:05 AM	Questions & Answers
11:05 – 11:25 AM	TBD **Benjamin Strickland, MD**
11:25 – 11:30 AM	Questions & Answers
11:30 – 11:50 AM	*GammaKnife and the Politics of Cobalt.* **Istvan Takacs, MD**
11:50 – 11:55 AM	Questions & Answers
11:55 – 12:15 PM	*Pediatric Supratentorial Brain Tumors - The Odd Ones* **Lacy Carter, MD**
12:15 – 12:20 PM	Questions & Answers
12:20 – 12:50 PM	Resident Paper Contest (8 minute Presentations)
12:20 – 12:28 PM	*From Carolina to Cushing: Caroline Hampton, William Halsted, and the Southern Roots of American Neurosurgery* **Sunny Abdelmageed, MD**
12:28 – 12:36 PM	*Cervical Corpectomy: Should We Back It Up? A Single Institution Experience* **Matheus Pereira, MD**
12:36 – 12:42 PM	*Microgravity and Spinal Biomechanics: Insights and Considerations for Commercial Spaceflight* **Victoria Morgan**
12:42 – 12:50 PM	Resident Paper Questions & Answers
12:50 – 1:00 PM	Conference Wrap-Up & Adjourn