



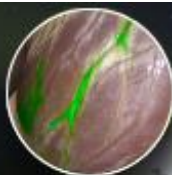
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2021 Meeting at a Glance

Happy New Year!

As we all start planning our 2021 schedules, remember to save **Aug 31-Sept 3** for the SAGES 2021 annual meeting. Program chairs Dr. Adnan Alseidi and Dr. Dana Telem have planned an exciting all-new program. Please go [here](#) to view the entire schedule at a glance, and look for further registration and housing details in the coming weeks.



IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES

SAGES Free Resident
Webinar
Feb 9, 2021

SAGES 2021 Meeting, Las
Vegas
Aug 31-Sept-3

2020 Meeting Evaluation and Claiming CME Credits



Thanks to those who attended the SAGES 2020 Virtual Meeting. To evaluate the meeting and claim CME/self-assessment credits, log into cme.sages.org. If you don't have your Badge ID, check your emails. It will have been sent to you from cme@sages.org.

We encourage you to complete the evaluation, as your feedback will help shape future SAGES meetings. A reminder that Virtual 2020 attendees have until March 31, 2021 to claim CME credits for this meeting. Please Note: our system only allows participants to claim credits and generate a certificate once. Because there is so much on demand CME this year, you may wish to download the Virtual Sessions CME Worksheet for 2020 [here](#) to keep track of your hours.

SAGES 2021-22 Slate of Officers

SAGES is happy to introduce its 2021-22 slate of officers:

President – Liane S. Feldman, MD (pictured)

President-Elect – John D. Mellinger, MD

1st Vice President (2 year term) – Robert Lim, MD

2nd Vice President (2 year term) – Patricia Sylla, MD (1 more year in this position)

Secretary (3 year term) – Brent Matthews, MD (2 more years in this position)

Treasurer (3 year terms) – Christopher Schlachta, MD (2 more years in this position)

Re-Appointments (3 year terms) - Robert Fanelli, MD; Leena Khaitan, MD; Dana Telem, MD; David Urbach, MD

New Members– Jonathan Dort, MD; Jon Gould, MD; Oz Meireles, MD; Jaisa Olasky, MD; Shawn Tsuda, MD; Michael Ujiki, MD; Melina Vassiliou, MD; Andrew Wright, MD



These changes will be effective in mid-April, following SAGES virtual committee and Board meetings.

SAGES Free Resident Webinar

SAGES continues its FREE Resident Education Webinar Series with "Flexible Endoscopy Experts Discuss Training to Save Rural America" on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 from 4-6PM (PDT) / 5-7PM (MDT) / 6-8PM (CDT) / 7-9PM (EDT). Please mark your calendars and sign up [here](#) today!

For questions or inquiries regarding this webinar, please contact Vanessa Cheung at vanessa@sages.org.



Dr. Marian McDonald, General Surgeon
Teaching University Community Hospital
Allentown, Pennsylvania



SAGES Member Spotlight Dr. Marian McDonald

When Dr. Marian McDonald joined SAGES as a resident in 1995, she remembers "this new cool society doing avant garde surgeries." Today she adds that SAGES has evolved into a "community of members always looking out for each other while putting innovation and compassionate patient care first."

Over the years as an active member, Dr. McDonald has increased her own sense of community by attending SAGES annual meetings, where she also oversees SAGES humanitarian efforts. She has been active on many SAGES committees, most recently serving on Education Council, Ethics, Global and and Safe Chole. She worked closely with Dr. Michael Brunt and Dr. Daniel Deziel on the Bile Duct Injury Consensus Conference and the BDI Consensus Paper published in *Surgical Endoscopy* and *Annals of Surgery*.

[Read more about Dr. McDonald here.](#)

American College of Surgeons Seeks Diversity Director

SAGES and ACS are both committed to anti-racism, diversity, equity and inclusion. As part of this commitment, we want to amplify the College's announcement that they are seeking applicants for the newly created position of Diversity Director, a senior-level management position that will report to the ACS Executive Director. Interested applicants can access the posting [here](#).

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