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As promised, SAGES 2024 co-chairs Dr. Marylise Boutros, Dr. Caitlin Halbert and Dr. Eric Pauli have created a preview video [here](#) with highlights of the the annual meeting in Cleveland April 17-20, 2024. Over the next several months the chairs will be sharing additional in-depth videos detailing the many exciting new sessions and activities. You can help promote SAGES 2024 by downloading the Save the Date PPT slide [here](#).

We remind you that 2023 meeting content and CME credits are available through December 15, 2023. Previously registered attendees can access virtual content either [here](#) or on the [app](#) website. New attendees can register [here](#). For more information about available CME credits, please go [here](#).

### IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES

SAGES Call For Award Nominations  
Sept 29

SAGES Oral Exam Prep  
Oct 2

SAGES Fellows Career Development Course  
Oct 6-7

CME Credits Available Through Dec 15

2024 NBT Innovation Weekend  
Feb 22-24, 2024

### SAGES Oral Exam Preparatory Session, October 2 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Eastern (via Zoom)

"Great opportunity to practice the real thing with immediate feedback." - Recent session attendee

SAGES introduces its new **Oral Exam Preparatory Session** for senior residents and fellows preparing to take the Certifying Examination in General Surgery.

Using a live mock oral exam format, you can simulate the test taking experience with SAGES faculty members. Each participant has the opportunity to answer four scenarios and listen to another four scenarios. You will receive individual feedback and tips from the Examiners and there will also be a review of question content.

The cost for participation in this session is \$425. Space is limited and priority will be given to SAGES Candidate Members. Please go [here](#) to register.

### SAGES Member Spotlight Dr. Jenny Shao

Dr. Jenny Shao joined SAGES as a candidate member when she was a 3<sup>rd</sup>



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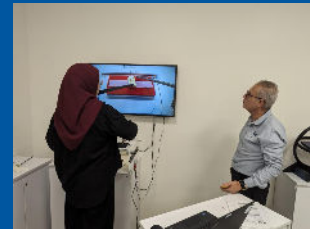
year resident applying for an MIS fellowship. She remembers submitting her first abstract in 2018 in Seattle and her impressions of the meeting as “friendly and supportive. I loved how everyone was not afraid to be themselves and built connections outside of rank, institution, and other superficial metrics. It’s the conference I look forward to most every year.”

As a full-time member now, SAGES is the group Dr. Shao feels most connected to in terms of mission, clinical content, and people, drawn most to its spirit of innovation and focus on evidence-based medicine and changing preconceived notions of surgery.

To read more about Dr. Shao, please go [here](#). To learn more about SAGES membership and access an online application form, please go [here](#).

## SAGES Holds First FLS International Exam in Dubai

Last month SAGES held its first Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery (FLS) exam in Dubai at Mohammed Bin Rashid University of Medicine and Health Sciences (MBRU). A big thank you to SAGES member Dr. Homero Rivas, who works at the MBRU, for his leadership.



SAGES is proud to collaborate with international institutions to expand the FLS program beyond the United States. FLS testing is now available at test centers in Africa, Asia, Europe, and North and South America. You can find location information on the [FLS Test Center page](#). For inquiries about tiered pricing for FLS international test takers, please contact [christelle@sages.org](mailto:christelle@sages.org)



## SAGES Podcast Features Dr. KMarie King

SAGES 2022 keynote speaker Dr. KMarie King, an accomplished hepatobiliary and pancreatic surgeon at the Albany Medical Center, is featured on this month's SAGES Stories podcast. Dr. King's award-winning research in the treatment of liver and pancreas cancers and in the area of healthcare policy has made her a respected authority in her field. Selected as a fellow in the prestigious Hedwig van Ameringen Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine (ELAM) for Women, Dr. King is also an Army veteran of Operation Desert Shield. Listen to Dr. King and all podcasts [here](#).

## Brandeis University Offering SAGES Members 15% Tuition Scholarship

The Executive MBA for Physicians program at Brandeis University is offering SAGES physicians an exclusive scholarship opportunity for those who begin the program in January 2024. Applications will be received on a rolling basis until November 1, 2023.

All attendees are responsible for the remaining 85 percent tuition cost not covered by the scholarship. For more information, reach out to Annalisa Groth at [HellerPEMBA@brandeis.edu](mailto:HellerPEMBA@brandeis.edu) or visit the [Brandeis EMBA website](#).

## Revised Troubleshooting Guide Available

The Continuing Education Committee recently revised the Laparoscopy Preparation and Troubleshooting guide, which was originally developed in the 1990s. SAGES sought input from our colleagues at AORN, who have also endorsed this document. The new version is available for download or quick reference on your phone or handheld device [here](#).



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