

PSS 30th Anniversary Program

Theme: *"Driven by Purpose, Defined by Excellence – 30 Years and Beyond"*

Date: 24-25 October 2026

Venue: Grand Ballroom, Conrad Manila, Pasay City



DAY 1: OCTOBER 24, 2025

8:00 – 9:00 AM Registration and Welcome Coffee

MORNING SESSIONS: OPENING CEREMONY

- 0900 – 0910** Opening Procession – Board Members, Past Presidents, Founding Members, Awardees
0910 – 0915 Philippine National Anthem
0915 – 0920 Invocation
0920 – 0930 Welcome Remarks – Dr. Ronald P. Tangente
0930 – 0945 Special Message from Representative of DOH / PRC / PMA / PCS (if invited)
0945 – 1000 Keynote Address – Dr. Antonio B. Sison
1000 – 1020 Audio-Visual Presentation: *"PSS Through the Years – 30 Years of Spine Leadership"*
1020 – 1110 Recognition & Awards Ceremony:
- ❖ Tribute to the Founding Members
 - ❖ Recognition of Past Presidents
 - ❖ Awards to Former Officers (20+ years of service)
 - ❖ Lifetime Achievement Award
 - ❖ Service Excellence Awards (surgeons, researchers, contributors)
 - ❖ **Induction of New PSS Members (2026)**
- 1110 – 1120** Response from Honorees (Represented by a Past President or Founding Member)
1120 – 1135 Ceremonial Launch of PSS@30 – Unveiling of Logo/Commemorative Marker or Video, Toast to 30 Years
1135 – 1145 Closing Remarks by the 30th Anniversary Committee Chair
1145 – 1200 Group Photo / Fellowship Music
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LUNCH SYMPOSIUM

- 1200 – 1230** **Platinum 1 Sponsor**
1230 – 1300 **Platinum 2 Sponsor**
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AFTERNOON SESSIONS

ADULT DEFORMITY

Moderator – Dr. Ma. Ramona Reyes-Diyco

- 1300 – 1310** Sagittal alignment in One or Two-Level Fusions – Do you need to achieve balance or not? [Dr. Viennah Condor-Magcalas]
- 1310 – 1320** When to consider Pelvic Fixation [Dr. Nicole Teresa Lukban-Venida]
- 1320 – 1325** Case Presentation 1 (with Audience Feedback): Options in Neglected Adult Deformities – Introduction & Deformity Surgery [Moderator]
- 1325 – 1335** Case Presentation 1 (with Audience Feedback): Options in Neglected Adult Deformities – Decompression Alone [Dr. Antonio Nicanor B. Suero]
- 1335 – 1345** Case Presentation 1 (with Audience Feedback): Options in Neglected Adult Deformities – Selected Fusion [TBA]
- 1345 – 1350** Q & A
- 1350 – 1400** Surgical Pearls in the Ultra Elderly and Osteoporotic Patients [Dr. Orland Joshua M. Alimbuyuguen]
- 1400 – 1405** Case Debate 1: Severe Back Pain with Poor Alignment Presentation [Moderator]
- 1405 – 1415** Case Debate 1: Severe Back Pain with Poor Alignment: Fuse or Decompress? – Decompression [Dr. Antonio Nicanor B. Suero]
- 1415 – 1425** Case Debate 1: Severe Back Pain with Poor Alignment: Fuse or Decompress? – Fusion [TBA]
- 1425 – 1430** Case Debate 1: Panel Debate [with Moderator]

EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES I

Moderator

- 1430 – 1440** Digital Software and AI in Spine Surgery: Guide and Practical Applications [Dr. Ken Jeffrey O. Magcalas]
- 1440 – 1450** Augmented Reality (AR) vs Traditional Navigation vs Free Hand: Is AR the Future or a Gimmick? [Dr. Erika Paulina Stefani H. See]
- 1450 – 1500** Robotic Spine Surgery: Is it Cost-Effective in the Philippines? [Dr. Michael Louis A. Gimenez]
- 1500 – 1510** Q & A

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LUMBAR DEGENERATIVE

Moderator – Dr. Mikhail Lew P. Ver

- 1540 – 1550** Surgical Management for Modic Changes – Decompress Alone or Fuse? [Dr. Pierre M. Mella]
- 1550 – 1600** Indirect Lumbar Decompression – Does it Work? When Should You Consider? [Dr. Clint P. Guitarte]
- 1600 – 1605** Q & A
- 1605 – 1610** Case Presentation 2 (with Audience Feedback): Lumbar Degenerative Surgery Introduction [Moderator]
- 1610 – 1615** Case Presentation 2 (with Audience Feedback): What would you do? TLIF/MIS TLIF [Dr. Ryan Conrad A. Carnero]
- 1615 – 1620** Case Presentation 2 (with Audience Feedback): What would you do? ALIF [Dr. Frederick C. Aujero]
- 1620 – 1625** Case Presentation 2 (with Audience Feedback): What would you do? OLIF [Dr. Mikhail Lew P. Ver]
- 1625 – 1630** Case Presentation 2 (with Audience Feedback): What would you do? XLIF [Dr. Roy Michael G. Domacena]
- 1630 – 1635** Dynamic Stabilization: Current Role and Future [Dr. Miguel Rafael D. Ramos]
- 1635 – 1645** Case Debate 2: Low-grade Stable Spondylolisthesis – Case Introduction [Moderator]
- 1645 – 1655** Case Debate 2: Low-grade Stable Spondylolisthesis – Decompression [Dr. Pierre M. Mella]

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- 1655 – 1705** Case Debate 2: Low-grade Stable Spondylolisthesis – Fusion [Dr. Frederick C. Aujero]
1705 – 1715 Case Debate 2: Low-grade Stable Spondylolisthesis – Dynamic Stabilization [Dr. Miguel Rafael D. Ramos]
1715 – 1725 Case Debate 2: Panel Debate [with Moderator]
1725 – 1730 Q & A (End of Day 1)
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DAY 2: OCTOBER 25, 2025

MORNING SESSIONS

EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES II

Moderator

- 0800 – 0810** Biologics in Spine Surgery – What's the Best Mix and What's Available? [Dr. Rodolfo B. Garcia III]
0810 – 0820 Interpreting Intraoperative Neuromonitoring (IOM): What to Do? [Dr. John David B. Mata]
0820 – 0830 Point-of-Care Ultrasound in Conservative Spine Treatment & PRP: Epidural, Discs, or Facets? [Dr. Daniel William T. Yu]
0830 – 0835 Q & A
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SPINE ENDOSCOPY

Moderator – Dr. Jesse Jerus Alem Gabrieli T. Joson

- 0835 – 0840** Case Debate 3: Starting Endoscopic Spine Surgery – Case Introduction [Moderator]
0840 – 0850 Case Debate 3: Starting Endoscopic Spine Surgery – Uniportal [Dr. Buenaventura Alfredo B. Canto IV]
0850 – 0900 Case Debate 3: Starting Endoscopic Spine Surgery – Biportal [Dr. Eric Astelo O. Belarmino]
0900 – 0910 Case Debate 3: Panel Debate [with Moderator]
0910 – 0915 Q & A
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- 0915 – 0925** Silver 1 Sponsor
0925 – 0935 Silver 2 Sponsor
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- 0935 – 0945** Avoiding Complications in Endoscopic Spine Surgery [Dr. Buenaventura Alfredo B. Canto IV]
0945 – 0955 Best Indications for Posterior Cervical Endoscopic Decompression [Dr. Gian Karlo P. Dadufalza]
0955 – 1005 Endoscopic Lumbar Interbody Fusion – Where Are We Now and What Are the Outcomes? [Dr. Gian Karlo P. Dadufalza]
1005 – 1015 Case Presentation 3 (with Audience Feedback): Multilevel Stenosis (3–4 level) – Introduction & Open or Micro Decompression [Moderator]
1015 – 1025 Case Presentation 3 (with Audience Feedback): MIS Tubular Decompression [Dr. Jasper Jo R. Martinez]
1025 – 1035 Case Presentation 3 (with Audience Feedback): Endoscopic Decompression [Dr. Eric Astelo O. Belarmino]
1035 – 1045 Q & A
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CERVICAL SPINE

Moderator – Dr. Gilbert J. Rañoa

- 1045 – 1055** Expanding Indications for Cervical Disc Arthroplasty [TBA]
- 1055 – 1100** Case Presentation 4 (with audience feedback): Multilevel Cervical DDD with Stenosis (3–4 level) – Case Introduction [Moderator]
- 1100 – 1105** Case Presentation 4 (with audience feedback): Multilevel Fusion – Anterior Only [Dr. Paul Julius A. Medina]
- 1105 – 1110** Case Presentation 4 (with audience feedback): Multilevel Fusion – Posterior Only [Dr. Jon Christian S. Manuntag]
- 1110 – 1115** Case Presentation 4 (with audience feedback): Multilevel Fusion – Front & Back [Dr. Mary Ruth A. Padua]
- 1115 – 1120** Case Presentation 4 (with audience feedback): Laminoplasty [Dr. Jasper Jo R. Martinez]
- 1120 – 1125** Case Presentation 4 (with audience feedback): Cervical Disc Arthroplasty [TBA]
- 1125 – 1135** Avoiding Non-union: Hybrid Constructs vs Anterior-Posterior Surgery [Dr. Harjoland L. Obenieta]
- 1135 – 1145** Cervicogenic Headaches vs. Migraines: Clinical Differentiation [Dr. Jon Christian S. Manuntag]
- 1145 – 1150** Case Debate 4: Managing Cervical Myelopathy in Elderly – Case Introduction [Moderator]
- 1150 – 1200** Case Debate 4: Managing Cervical Myelopathy in Elderly – Conservative [Dr. Mary Ruth A. Padua]
- 1200 – 1210** Case Debate 4: Managing Cervical Myelopathy in Elderly – Operative [Dr. Paul Julius A. Medina]
- 1210 – 1220** Case Debate 4: Panel Debate [with Moderator]
- 1220 – 1230** Q & A

LUNCH SYMPOSIUM

- 1230 – 1300** Platinum 3/Gold 2 Sponsors
- 1300 – 1330** Gold 3/ Silver 3/ Others Sponsors

AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1330 – 1530** INTERESTING CASE PRESENTATIONS

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- 1530 – 1600** Other Sponsors (2)

1600 – 1610 CLOSING CEREMONY

1610 PSS BUSINESS MEETING

FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

End of Program
