

Day 1: Friday, November 7

- 7:30 a.m.

Breakfast

Moderator: David Neskey, MD, MSCR, FACS
- 8:20 a.m.

Opening Remarks – Joshua Hornig, MD, FRCSC and Jeff Wilson, CEO, Trident Health
- 8:30 a.m.

Proliferative Verrucous Leukoplakia of the Oral Mucosa – Ricardo Padilla, DDS
- 8:40 a.m.

Medical Oncology Advice for the Surgical Oncologist Panel – Moderated by Joshua Dean Horton, MD; Panelists - Matthew Beldner, MD, Terry A. Day, MD, FACS, Richard O’Neal, MD, Cesar A. Perez, MD
- 9:05 a.m.

Virtual Surgical Planning and Patient-Specific Plating in Head and Neck Reconstruction – Urjeet A. Patel, MD, FACS
- 9:25 a.m.

Head and Neck Reconstruction: Challenging Cases Panel – Moderated by Thomas Hendriks, MBBS, MPhil, FRACS and Usman Khan, MD, MSc, FRCSC; Panelists - James R. Bekeny, MD, Betsy K. Davis, DMD, MS, Joshua Hornig, MD, FRCSC, Shaum Sridharan, MD
- 9:50 a.m.

Beyond Oncologic Success: Should Functional Laryngectomy Be Routinely Considered? – Ali Fanucchi, MS, CCC-SLP and Laura McWilliams MS, CCC-SLP, BCS-S, CPHFH
- 10:10 a.m.

Break

Moderator: Peter Horwich, MEd, MD, FRCSC
- 10:25 a.m.

Beyond Head and Neck Treatment: Supporting Patients through their Care Panel – Moderated by Shimrit Sharav, MD; Panelists – Vincent Grzywacz, MD, Stephanie Herlong, MS, CCC-SLP, Sara Jasper, ACNP-BC, Julie Molony, BSN, RN
- 10:50 a.m.

Rewriting the Endgame: The Evolving Landscape of Recurrent/Metastatic Oropharyngeal Squamous Cell Carcinoma – R. Alex Harbison, MD, MS
- 11:10 a.m.

Keynote Speaker: A Patient-Centered Approach to Head and Neck Cancer Care, Michael G. Moore, MD, FACS
- 11:45 a.m.

Pathology is Your Friend: Standardizing Lymph Node Grossing in Head and Neck Pathology – John W. Turner, MD, MBA, FCAP
- 11:55 a.m.

Reconstructive Debates – Andrew T. Huang, MD, FACS and Shaum Sridharan, MD
- 12:20 p.m.

Winning in Head and Neck Cancer Care: Perspectives Beyond the Clinician Panel – Moderated by Dax Kurbegov, MD, FASCO; Panelists – Le-An King, CPC, Jeff Wilson
- 12:45 p.m.

Surgical Management of Skin Cancers Panel – Moderated by Peter Horwich, MEd, MD, FRCSC; Panelists - David Forner, MD, MSc, FRCSC, Eric Lentsch, MD, FACS, Michael Dale Sarradet, MD, Anand K. Sharma, MD
- 1:10 p.m.

Adjourn and Lunch with the Experts on Veranda
- 5:30 p.m.

Welcome Reception and Dinner

Day 2: Saturday, November 8

- 7:30 a.m.

Breakfast

Moderator: Jeffrey Houlton, MD
- 8:30 a.m.

Opening Remarks – Jeffrey Houlton, MD
- 8:35 a.m.

Complicated Endocrine Case Files Panel – Moderated by Joshua Hornig, MD, FRCSC; Panelists – Joseph Mathews, MD, FACP, FACE, ECNU, CCD, Urjeet A. Patel, MD, FACS, Joshua Dean Horton, MD
- 9:00 a.m.

Surgical Management of Parotid Cancer – Michael G. Moore, MD, FACS
- 9:20 a.m.

Our Experience With the Pre-Prosthetic Design for Obturator Retention – Michelle K. Ruse, DDS, MDS, FACP
- 9:30 a.m.

The Evolving Role of ctDNA in the Management of Head and Neck Cancer – Scott A. Roof, MD, MS
- 9:50 a.m.

Break

Moderator: Joshua Hornig, MD, FRCSC
- 10:05 a.m.

Keynote Speaker: On the Edge of Change: Investigational Agents in Head and Neck Cancer and the Evolution of Patient Care, Cesar A. Perez, MD
- 10:40 a.m.

Oral Surgery Case Files Panel – Moderated by Jeffrey Houlton, MD; Panelists – Paul L. Davis III, MD, FACS, Brad W. Neville, DDS, Michael H. Porter, John W. Ratliff, DDS
- 11:05 a.m.

Management of Oropharyngeal Cancer Panel – Moderated by David Neskey, MD, MSCR, FACS; Panelists – R. Alex Harbison, MD, MS, Scott A. Roof, MD, MS, Anthony Sanchez, MD, Anand K. Sharma, MD, Hannah Cornett Walton, MS, CCC-SLP, BCS-S
- 11:30 a.m.

(Shared) Decision Making in Head and Neck Cancer – David Forner, MD, MSc, FRCSC
- 11:50 a.m.

A Patient Story – Lindsey Kim
- 12:10 p.m.

Closing Remarks – Jeffrey Houlton, MD



Things to do in Charleston

We are excited to welcome you to Charleston. We hope you extend your stay and take time to enjoy the charm our city has to offer.

Recommended dining options on-site at Wild Dunes

- Coastal Provisions, 200 Grand Pavilion Blvd.
- Coastal Crust, 5802 Palmetto Drive
- Laughing Gull Bar, 5757 Palm Blvd.

Recommended dining options on Sullivan’s Island

- The Obstinate Daughter, 2063 Middle St.
- Poe’s Tavern, 2210 Middle Street
- Sullivan’s Fish Camp, 2019 Middle St., Unit A

Recommended dining options on Isle of Palms

- ACME Lowcountry Kitchen, 31 J.C. Long Blvd.
- The Refuge, 1517 Palm Blvd., Suite A

Recommended dining options in Downtown Charleston

- Stella’s, 114 St. Philip St., Suite A
- Husk, 76 Queen Street
- Lewis BBQ Charleston, 464 N. Nassau Street
- The Darling Oyster Bar, 513 King Street

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Keynote Speakers

Michael G. Moore, MD, FACS

Dr. Michael G. Moore is the Arilla Spence DeVault Professor in the Indiana University School of Medicine Department of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery and serves as the Chief of the Division of Head and Neck Surgery.



Dr. Moore specializes in cancer removal and reconstructive surgery in the head and neck. He manages benign and malignant tumors located in the mouth, throat, skin, salivary glands, thyroid (parathyroid), nose, sinuses and anterior skull base. He has a particular interest in the management of advanced and recurrent head and neck malignancies, including skull base tumors and those in need of reconstruction using microvascular free tissue transfer. His expertise also includes endoscopic and minimally invasive procedures through transoral robotic-assisted surgery and laser surgery.

Nationally recognized, Dr. Moore serves as the Chair of the Cancer Prevention Service of the American Head and Neck Society (AHNS) and is one of three head and neck surgeons on the American Cancer Society HPV Vaccination Roundtable. He is president of the board of the Head and Neck Cancer Alliance, a not-for-profit organization devoted to the early detection and prevention of head and neck cancer and supporting those affected by the disease.



Head and Neck Oncology Symposium Director

Jeffrey Houlton, MD

Dr. Jeffrey Houlton specializes in head and neck oncology, facial plastics and reconstruction. Upon graduating with honors from the University of Texas Medical Branch, Dr. Houlton completed his residency in head and neck surgery at the University of Cincinnati and fellowship in head and neck oncology/microvascular reconstruction at the Medical University of South Carolina. He is an active member of the American Academy of Otolaryngology, is a fellow with the American College of Surgeons and is the Director of Head and Neck Quality and Patient Outcomes at the Sarah Cannon Cancer Network.

Cesar A. Perez, MD

Dr. Cesar A. Perez is a board-certified medical oncologist and hematologist with Florida Cancer Specialists and Research Institute in Orlando, Florida. He is Director of the Drug Development Unit at the Sarah Cannon Research Institute at Florida Cancer Specialists and Research Institute (FCS) in Lake Nona, Florida. It is one of three within the statewide practice that focus exclusively on advancing cancer treatment through early-phase clinical trials research.



A globally-recognized cancer expert who has dedicated his career to transformational oncology research, Dr. Perez leads the development of novel therapies for all solid tumors, with a specialized focus on head and neck cancer. He is executive chair of the Head and Neck Cancer Group for the Sarah Cannon Cancer Network and an affiliate associate professor at the University of Central Florida.

Dr. Perez serves as an ASCO® (American Society of Clinical Oncology) Ambassador, as chair of the Head and Neck Educational Committee for the ASCO® annual meeting and as a member of its scientific and educational committees of oncology physicians and professionals from around the globe. Together, they are working to conquer cancer through research, education, policy and promotion of high quality and equitable patient care.

Meet the Charleston Head and Neck Specialists Team



Terry Day, MD, FACS
Head and neck surgery



Joshua Hornig, MD, FRCSC
Head and neck oncologic and reconstructive surgery



Peter Horwich, MEd, MD, FRCSC
Head and neck oncologic and reconstructive surgery



Jeffrey Houlton, MD
Head and neck oncologic and reconstructive surgery



Eric Lentsch, MD, FACS
Head and neck surgery



David Neskey, MD, MSCR, FACS
Head and neck surgery



Anand Sharma, MD
Radiation oncology



Betsy K. Davis, DMD, MS
Maxillofacial prosthodontics



Michelle K. Ruse, DDS, MDS, FACP
Maxillofacial prosthodontics



Brad Neville, DDS
Head and neck pathologist



Ricardo Padilla, DDS
Head and neck pathologist



Thomas Hendriks, MBBS, MPhil, FRACS
Head and neck fellow



Usman Khan, MS, MSc, FRCSC
Head and neck fellow



Stephanie Herlong, MS, CCC-SLP
Speech language pathology



Christa Likes, MSR, CCC-SLP
Speech language pathology



Hannah Cornett Walton, MS, CCC-SLP, BCS-S
Speech language pathology



Hannah Feltner, PA-C
Advanced practice provider



Katie Fischer, PA-C
Advanced practice provider



Brittney Fitzgerald, PA-C
Advanced practice provider



Julie Gibbons, FNP-BC
Advanced practice provider



Sara Jasper, ACNP-BC
Advanced practice provider



Erin Rogers, PA-C
Advanced practice provider



Kiely St. Germain, FNP
Advanced practice provider



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Advanced practice provider



Stephanie Cohen, MSN, RN
Nurse navigator



Julie Molony, BSN, RN
Nurse navigator



Christie Chase
New patient referral coordinator



Tammesha Jones, MSW
Social worker



Shameka Middleton
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Jennifer Mazzaro, RD, LD
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Dr. Eric Lentsch
Dr. David Neskey
Dr. Paul Davis

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Dr. Thomas Hendriks
Dr. Usman Khan

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Dr. Anand Sharma

Trauma Surgery

Dr. Jason Clark
Dr. Brent Jewett

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Dr. Mike Tyler

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Dr. John Turner

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Dr. Ricardo Padilla

Maxillofacial Prosthodontics

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Dr. Michelle Ruse

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Alice Casciato
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Nicole Willis

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Christie Chase

Program Coordinator

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Sylvia Hyra

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Holly Westbury

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