



Congress of  
Neurological  
Surgeons

## 2020 February Oral Boards Review Course

Saturday and Sunday, February 22–23, 2020

Houston Airport Marriott at George Bush Intercontinental, Houston, TX

### Course Description

The CNS Oral Boards Review Course has been redesigned to reflect the recent ABNS exam changes and prepare you for the general or subspecialty-based neurosurgical oral exam, with a focus on best patient management studies. By attending the one-and-a-half-day course, you will gain knowledge, confidence, and experience with the new exam format.

Highly interactive, the course prepares you for the case-based nature of the exam with multiple learning formats, including didactic, case presentations, and small-group discussions. One-on-one sessions give you the opportunity to present a case to a faculty member and receive relevant feedback on indications and subsequent follow-through that will aid your performance on the ABNS exam.

### Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Identify strengths and weaknesses in neurological surgery knowledge
2. Discuss information from the many subspecialties of neurological surgery
3. Implement changes in clinical practice in accordance with recent advances and clinical guidelines
4. Improve case-based presentation and discussion skills

### Accreditation Statement

The Congress of Neurological Surgeons is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

### Credit Designation Statement

The CNS designates this live activity for a maximum of **13.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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## AGENDA

Saturday, February 22

6:30–7:00 am	Registration and breakfast
7:00–7:15 am	Welcome and introduction, Robert J. Spinner, Garni Barkhoudarian
7:15–8:15 am	Tumor didactic session, James Bradley Elder, Garni Barkhoudarian
8:15–9:15 am	Vascular didactic session, W. Christopher Fox
9:15–10:15 am	Spine didactic session, Alexander Ropper
10:15–10:30 am	Break
10:30–11:30 am	Trauma/critical care didactic session, Ryan Kitagawa
11:30 am–12:00 pm	Non-operative neurosurgery didactic session, Anand V. Germanwala
12:00–1:00 pm	Lunch break
1:00–1:30 pm	Peripheral nerve didactic session, Robert J. Spinner
1:30–2:00 pm	Pediatric didactic session, Taryn M. Bragg
2:00–2:30 pm	Functional didactic session, Sameer Sheth
2:30–2:45 pm	Break

2:45–6:00 pm Table case presentations  
2:45–6:00 pm One-on-one case presentations

### Sunday, February 23

6:30–7:00 am Breakfast  
7:00–11:00 am One-on-one case presentations  
7:00–11:00 am Spine break out  
Complex spine didactic session  
Spine table case discussions  
7:00–11:00 am Core topic break outs (table case discussions listed below)  
General neurosurgery  
Tumor  
Vascular  
7:00–11:00 am Specialty break outs (table case discussions listed below)  
Peripheral nerve  
Functional  
Pediatric  
Trauma/critical care

*Agenda and faculty subject to change*