



Congress of
Neurological
Surgeons

2020 February Oral Boards Review Course

Saturday and Sunday, February 22–23

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	Peripheral nerve didactic session, Robert J. Spinner
8:15–8:45 am	Tumor didactic session, Garni Barkhoudarian
8:45–9:15 am	Vascular didactic session, Adam Polifka
9:15–9:45 am	Spine didactic session, Alexander Ropper
9:45–10:15 am	Trauma/critical care didactic session, Ryan Kitagawa
10:15–10:30 am	Break
10:30–11:00 am	Non-operative neurosurgery didactic session, Anand V. Germanwala
11:00–11:30 am	Pediatric didactic session, Taryn M. Bragg
11:30 am–12:00 pm	Functional didactic session, Ahmed Raslan
12:00–1:00 pm	Lunch break
1:00–3:00 pm	One-on-one case sessions (general exam participants), Ahmed Raslan, Garni Barkhoudarian
	And
	Subspecialty small-group sessions (30-minute lecture followed by small-group Q&A session)
	Tumor: Anand V. Germanwala

Vascular: Peter Kan
Spine: Adam Polifka
Peripheral Nerve: Robert J. Spinner
Pediatrics: Taryn M. Bragg
Trauma: Ryan Kitagawa

3:00–3:15 pm

Break

3:15–6:00 pm

One-on-one case sessions (subspecialty participants), Peter Kan, Robert J. Spinner, Taryn M. Bragg, Adam Polifka, Alexander Ropper

And

General small-group sessions (cases only—for general exam participants), Anand V. Germanwala, Ahmed Raslan, Garni Barkhoudarian

Sunday, February 23

6:30–7:00 am

Breakfast

7:00–7:30 am

Pearls for success Q&A, Garni Barkhoudarian, Taryn M. Bragg, Anand V. Germanwala, Peter Kan, Ryan Kitagawa, Adam Polifka, Ahmed Raslan, Alexander Ropper, Robert J. Spinner

7:30–9:30 am

One-on-one case sessions (general participants), Ahmed Raslan, Garni Barkhoudarian

And

Subspecialty small-group sessions (30-minute lecture followed by small-group Q&A session)

Tumor: Anand V. Germanwala

Vascular: Peter Kan

Spine: Alexander Ropper

Peripheral Nerve: Robert J. Spinner

Pediatrics: Taryn M. Bragg

Trauma: Ryan Kitagawa

9:30–11:30 am

One-on-one case sessions (subspecialty participants), Peter Kan, Ryan Kitagawa, Robert J. Spinner, Taryn M. Bragg, Alexander Ropper

And

Small-group sessions (cases only—for general exam participants), Anand V. Germanwala, Ahmed Raslan, Garni Barkhoudarian

Agenda and faculty subject to change