NYSAASC
NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF AMBULATORY SURGERY CENTERS

2026 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Leadership in Motion: Advancing Ambulatory Surgery in a Shifting Landscape

Monday, November 16, 2026 - Pre Conference

8:00 AM - 4:30 PM	**CASC Review Course:** Mary Ryan; Deb Stinchcomb; John Goehle	*High Street 24*
	CAIP Review Course: Laurie Roderiques; Kristen Jackson	*High Street 26*
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM	***Collaborative Group Sessions***	
	GI Centers - Joanne DeAngelis; Tabatha Jackson	*High Street 24*
	Eye Centers - Rowena Ferguson	*High Street 26*
	Orthopedic Centers - Elisa Auguste	*High Street 28*
	Multispecialty Centers - Austin Cheng; Emily Calixte	*Town Hall*
11:00 AM - 6:00 PM	**Registration & Exhibitor Set-up**	*King Street Atrium & Ballroom*
6:00 - 7:30 PM	**Welcome Reception**	*King Street Atrium & Ballroom*

Tuesday, November 17, 2026

7:00 AM	**Exhibit Hall Opens**	*King Street Ballroom*
	Registration & Buffet Breakfast	*King Street Atrium & Fort Orange Atrium*
8:15 - 8:30 AM	**Opening Remarks** NYS DOH Commissioner, James V. McDonald M.D., M.P.H.	*Fort Orange Ballroom*
8:30 - 9:30 AM	**Strategies for ASCs to Shift the Narrative and Highlight Our Value** Lisa Wickens-Alteri; Jeffrey Flynn	*Fort Orange Ballroom*
9:40 - 10:40 AM	**Navigating Change: Policy Updates at the Federal Level** Kara Newbury, ASCA	*Fort Orange Ballroom*
10:45 - 11:10 AM	**Break with Exhibitors**	*King Street Ballroom*
11:20 AM - 12:20 PM	***Breakout Sessions***	
	Facing the Tough Stuff: Real-World Leadership in Challenging Situations Kim Fullone; Tabatha Jackson; Jon Van Valkenburg	*Town Hall*
	Are you Ready for Your Next Life Safety Survey? Jim Masters; Stuart Rosenberg	*High Street 24*
	Practical AI for ASC Leaders Mat Giladi, AmbuSun; Rob Duffy, Surgical Information Systems; Mitch Laird, Stigmatic.AI	*High Street 26*
12:30 - 1:40 PM	**Lunch**	*Fort Orange Atrium*
1:50 - 2:50 PM	**The People Behind the Procedure: Solving ASC Workforce Challenges** Kyle Bernhard, The Street Consulting Group; Erin Boers, MedHQ; Kristen Jackson	*Fort Orange Ballroom*
3:00 - 4:00 PM	**From Silos to Synergy: Getting Clinical and Business Teams Working Together in Your ASC** Kristen Jackson; Juliana de Campos	*Fort Orange Ballroom*

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4:05 - 4:35 PM	**Break with Exhibitors**	*King Street Ballroom & Atrium*
4:45 - 5:45 PM	**KEYNOTE: Shifting Landscape, Shared Goals: A Conversation with New York's Health Plans** Rachel Amalfitano, Contracting Assistant Vice President Emblem Health; Richard DalCol CEO, MVP Health; Eric Linzer President, HPA	*Fort Orange Ballroom*
5:45 - 7:00 PM	**Cocktail Reception**	*King Street Ballroom*
7:00 - 9:00 PM	**Networking Dinner**	*Fort Orange Ballroom*

Wednesday, November 18, 2026

7:00 - 8:00 AM	**Exhibit Hall Opens** **Buffet Breakfast**	*King Street Ballroom* *Fort Orange Atrium*
8:10- 9:10 AM	**New York State Update** Lisa Wickens-Alteri	*Fort Orange Ballroom*
9:20 - 10:20 AM	***Breakout Sessions***	
	Human Resources Update Rachel Demarest Gold; JoLynn Haresign	*Town Hall*
	Current Issues in Infection Prevention for ASCs Laurie Roderiques	*High Street 24*
	Current Pharmacy Challenges in ASCs Liz Anderson; Laura Norowitz; Tom Lamano	*High Street 26*
10:25 - 10:50 AM	**Check-Out/Break**	
11:00AM - 12:30 PM	**Tips, Tools & Common Pitfalls in Reporting NYPORTS/OPMC/Office of the Professions** Stephanie Shulman, DrPH, MS; Shelly Wang Bandago; Megan Prokorym, MPH; Dr Joseph Mannion, Medical Director; Michael Bass	*Fort Orange Ballroom*
12:35 - 1:00 PM	**Message from the President / Raffle Drawing**	*Fort Orange Ballroom*

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Albany, NY
November 16 - 18, 2026
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*Agenda is subject to change.