



Welcome to the Chicago Surgical Society! I am honored to serve as the president of the Chicago Surgical Society for 2023-2024. I am excited to share the meeting line-up for the year and stimulating ideas percolating to keep our society vibrant and relevant. A special thank you in advance goes to Dr. Sam Pappas for his leadership with the Program Committee. We are committed to scheduling topics that are relevant and attract academic and community surgeons alike.

October 5 marks the Bevan Lecture and New Member Initiation. Dr. Purvi Patel, our chair of the Young Surgeons Committee, will be heading up our Great Debates in Surgery program on November 9. We will reconvene on February, 8, 2024 for the Greeley Lecture. The Illinois State Joint Surgical Conference will be held on April 20 and then the Annual 2024 Business Meeting and Presidential Address will occur on May 9.

Additionally, we are embarking on a Chicago City-Wide research collaboration to enhance partnerships amongst our local institutions and provide opportunities to accrue more patients for multicenter trials and projects. This effort is being spearheaded by Dr. Ami Shah. If interested in participating, she can be contacted at Ami_N_Shah@rush.edu.

As many of our past presidents have mentioned, the future of our society lies in our membership and new recruits. Participating in our meetings and events provides a fantastic opportunity for camaraderie, education, research and networking. Looking forward to a great year!

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