

Thursday, February 19, 2026

Location: Jaime Benitez Amphitheater

12:00-1:00pm	Registration
1:15pm	Welcoming Remarks Kervin Arroyo, MD, FACS President Yamil Castillo, MD, FACS Scientific Program Chair ACS Puerto Rico Chapter

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1:30pm	<i>General Surgery Grand Round</i> Gezzer Ortega, MD
2:15pm	<i>ENT Grand Round</i> Andrew Shuman, MD
3:00pm	<i>Urology Grand Round</i> Lori Lerner, MD
3:45pm	<i>Research Grand Round</i> Edna Mora, MD
4:30pm	Closing Remarks
4:30-6:00pm	Welcome Reception

Friday, February 20, 2026

Location: Embassy Suites Ballrooms

7:00am	<i>Registration and Continental Breakfast</i> at Exhibit Room
7:30am	Welcoming Remarks Kervin Arroyo, MD, FACS President Yamil Castillo, MD, FACS Scientific Program Chair ACS Puerto Rico Chapter Reynold López, MD, FACS Raffucci Forum Chair
7:45 – 11:00am	F.L. Raffucci Memorial Lecture, Forum & Award

Lecture: **Cutting Through Complexity: The Surgical Scientist's Journey**

Speaker: **Keila E. Torres, MD**

Lecture: **Aging, sarcopenia, and healthy longevity**

Speaker: **Walter Frontera, MD**

SESSION 1

11:00am	Ethics of Surgery Andrew Shuman, MD
11:30am	Exhibit Viewing

SESSION 2

1:00pm	Past, Present and Future of Melanoma Pablo Mojica, MD
1:30pm	Mohs Surgery and its importance for surgeons Hiram Ruiz, MD
2:00pm	Immunotherapy, what we know now Mirelis Acosta MD
2:30pm	Palliative Medicine for Surgeons Maria Ramos, MD

SESSION 3

3:30pm	Robotics in minimally invasive surgery Sofia Marcano, MD
4:00pm	Advanced Robotic Partial nephrectomy: Pushing the envelope Ronald Cadillo, MD
4:30pm	Colorectal Surgery for malignancy, what is new? Jetson Rodriguez, MD
5:00pm	Evaluation and Management of Adrenal lesions Texel Longoria, MD

Saturday, February 21, 2026

Location: Embassy Suites Ballrooms

7:00-8:00am	<i>Registration and Continental Breakfast</i> Past President Breakfast
8:00am	Welcoming Remarks Kervin Arroyo, MD FACS President Yamil Castillo, MD FACS Program Chair

8:00am

Interesting Cases Session
Resident & Student Presentations
Moderator: Jorge Zequeira, MD, FACS

10:00 am

Coffee Break and Exhibit Viewing

SESSION 4

10:30am	Complex Wound Care in an ambulatory setting Marian Baez, MD
11:00am	The continued role of surgery in the management of obesity Yaret Robles, MD
11:30am	Advanced technologies and modalities used in Bariatric Surgery Natan Zundel, MD
12:15 pm	Lunch

SESSION 5

1:15pm	Advocacy Megan Tracci, MD
1:45pm	Updates in management of breast cancer Zuleika Diaz Negron, MD
2:15pm	Coffee Break and Exhibit Viewing

SESSION 6

2:45pm	Evaluation and management of nocturia Lori B. Lerner, MD
3:15pm	Public Health applications in General Surgery Gezzer Ortega, MD
3:45pm	Questions & Answers
4:00pm	Closing Remarks
4:30-6:00 pm	Business Meeting ACS Puerto Rico Chapter

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