



Illinois State
Perfusion Society

30th Annual Educational Conference

In Person at Pinstripes, Oak Brook, IL and Virtually via Zoom
October 11th, 2025

Academic Agenda and Schedule of Events

Times Listed in Central Time

0630: On-site Registration Opens, Vendor Exhibits Open, Light Breakfast Served

0645: Webinar Opens, via Zoom

0645: Conference Opening Welcome, Ryan Piech, MS, MBA, CCP

Illinois State Perfusion Society President's Welcome

0700-0730: Clay Strawn

Student, Rush University School of Cardiovascular Perfusion, Chicago, IL

"Blood Glucose Management for Cardiopulmonary Bypass: A New Perspective"

0730-0815: Kumaran Shanmugarajah, MD, PhD

Transplant Surgeon, Director Organ Perfusion Laboratory, University of Chicago Medicine, Chicago, IL

"The Perfusionists' Increasing Role in Liver and Multi-Organ Transplantation"

0815-0900: Kristen Nelson-McMillan, MD

Pediatric Cardiac Intensivist, Advocate Hope Children's Hospital, Oak Lawn, IL

"The Role of Platelets in Pediatric MCS: The Love-Hate Relationship"

0900-0945: Royce Lee, MD

Associate Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neuroscience, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

"The Science of Resilience in High-Performance Medicine: Managing the Ups and Downs of Burnout, Traumatic Stress, and Moral Injury"

0945-1030: Allison Davila, MD

Assistant Professor of Pediatric Cardiac Surgery, Lurie Children's Hospital, Chicago, IL

"Antegrade Cerebral Perfusion in Complex Congenital Surgeries"



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1030-1115: Michael G. Moront, MD

Attending Surgeon, Senior Clinical Advisor Haemonetics Corporation

The Toledo Hospital, Toledo, Ohio

“Leveraging Perfusionist Knowledge and Skillset in Adjunct Procedural Therapies”

1115-1215: ISPS Award Presentations, Lunch Served, Vendor Exhibits

Walter Foody Memorial Scholarship Award

3rd Annual Scholarship Award Presented to Outstanding Perfusion Student

In Honor and Remembrance of Walter Foody, CCP

1215-1245: Panel Discussion: Hot Topics in Perfusion Practice

Moderators: Steve Moss, CCP, LP and David Durdov, CCP, LP

1245-1330: Blaine Johnson, MBA, CCP

Senior Staff Perfusionist, University of Chicago Medicine, Chicago, IL

“Improving Perfusion Practice by Assembling an Array of Perfusion Data Sources”

1330-1415: Alex O’Donnell, CCP

Staff Perfusionist, Advocate Hope Children’s Hospital, Oak Lawn, IL

“Reflecting on the Perfusionist’s Role in Actual Decision Making”

1415-1445: Mariana McMahon

Student, Lipscomb School of Cardiovascular Perfusion, Nashville, TN

Case Report: “Complex Congenital Re-do Heart Transplant with BIVAD Support”

1445-1515: Nadine Kadadu

Student, Rush University School of Cardiovascular Perfusion, Chicago, IL

“Atelectasis and Race: Does Race Have an Effect on CPB Outcome”

1515-1800: Adjournment, Open Bar & Cocktail Hour, Bowling, Bocce Ball



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BOARD MEMBERS and COMMITTEE MEMBERS!**

Join our fantastic team of Chicago-area perfusionists to give-back to your profession and colleagues by volunteering with the ISPS! Executive Board, Board, and Committee positions are open!

Contact any current board member OR
email: **IllinoisPerfusion@gmail.com** for more information! We look forward to working with you!