

Pelvic Venous Disorders Summit

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Program Agenda

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Welcome

Welcome to the Pelvic Venous Disorders Summit!

Chronic pelvic pain affects nearly 10 million women in the United States, with pelvic venous disease (PeVD) representing a major yet under recognized cause in over half of these patients. Despite frequent interactions with the healthcare system, many patients experience delayed diagnosis, fragmented care, and ineffective treatments-resulting in persistent symptoms and significant societal cost. This summit represents a critical step toward changing that trajectory.

This first-of-its-kind meeting brings together a truly multidisciplinary group of specialists - including vascular surgeons, gynecologists, interventional radiologists, cardiologists, pelvic floor therapists, and sonographers to address PeVD as both a clinical and public health challenge. As reflected in the program, discussions will span the full spectrum of disease, from patient-centered perspectives and health system barriers to foundational concepts in pathophysiology, imaging, and classification, and into nuanced management strategies across S1-S3 disease states.

Importantly, this summit emphasizes not only evidence and technique, but also collaboration. Through focused sessions, panel discussions, and case-based learning, we aim to unify our understanding, identify key knowledge gaps, and develop a roadmap for future research. The inclusion of special topics, ranging from PeVD in men to multidisciplinary program development and outcome measures in PeVD, underscores our commitment to advancing the field in a comprehensive and inclusive manner.

Ultimately, our goal is to improve recognition, refine treatment strategies, and enhance outcomes for patients suffering from this often-overlooked condition. We are grateful for your participation and engagement in what we hope will be a defining moment for the field.



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DAY 1 - SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026

8:00am - 9:00am	Breakfast & Registration
SESSION I: Patient and Health System Perspectives on Pelvic Venous Disorders <i>John White, MD and Kathleen Gibson, MD</i>	
9:00am - 9:05am	Introduction <i>Ruth Bush, MD (AVF Past President)</i>
9:05am - 9:15am	Patient Presentation: My Journey Through Chronic Pelvic Pain
9:15am - 9:25am	Women's Health Issues - Defining Them and Allocating Resources for Research <i>Judith Regensteiner, MD</i>
9:25am - 9:35am	Information Insurance Companies Want to See to Approve Treatments for Chronic Pelvic Pain <i>Mireille Moise, MD</i>
9:35am - 9:45am	Burden of Chronic Pelvic Pain in a Gynecology Practice <i>Richard Cockrum, MD</i>
9:45am - 9:50am	Honoring Mel Rosenblatt's Contribution to PeVD <i>Mark Meissner, MD</i>
9:50am - 10:00am	Q&A / Panel Discussion
SESSIONS II AND III: Overview of Chronic Pelvic Pain and Pelvic Venous Disorders (10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A) <i>Charles Miller, MD; Mark Meissner, MD; Richard Cockrum, MD; Neil Khilnani, MD</i>	
10:00am - 10:15am	Pelvic Pain as a Chronic Pain Syndrome: The Roles of Central Sensitization and Complex Overlapping Pain Conditions <i>Richard Cockrum, MD</i>
10:15am - 10:30am	Pelvic Venous Disorders - Anatomy & Hemodynamics <i>Mark Meissner, MD</i>
10:30am - 10:45am	Classification of Pelvic Venous Disorders <i>Mark Meissner, MD</i>
10:45am - 11:00am	Clinical Manifestations of Venous Origin Chronic Pelvic Pain <i>Charles Miller, MD</i>
11:00am - 11:25am	Break & Visit Exhibit Hall
11:25am - 11:40am	Venous Origin Chronic Pelvic Pain - Phenotype <i>Neil Khilnani, MD</i>
11:40am - 11:55am	Overview of Diagnoses of Common Pelvic Pain Conditions Overlapping with the Proposed Features of PeVD, and the Challenge that Poses for Studying PeVD <i>Kelly Ryan, MD</i>
11:55am - 12:10pm	Pelvic Floor Myalgia: How it Differs from PeVD and the Role of Physical, Behavioral, and Drug Therapy <i>Lisa Laurenzana, MD</i>
12:10pm - 12:25pm	Q&A / Panel Discussion
12:30pm - 1:30pm	INDUSTRY SPONSORED LUNCH SYMPOSIUM Managing Complex Pelvic Pain with Ruby Coils <i>Neil Khilnani, MD; Kathleen Ozsvath, MD; Raj Pyne, MD; Kim Scherer, MD</i>
SESSION IV: Management of S1 Disease (10-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A) <i>John White, MD and Rabih Chaer, MD</i>	
1:35pm - 1:50pm	Renal Vein Compression: Moving from Increased Venous Pressure to Increased Symptoms <i>John White, MD</i>
1:50pm - 2:05pm	Making a Diagnosis of Left Renal Vein Compression in a Symptomatic Patient <i>Rabih Chaer, MD</i>



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DAY 1 - SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026 (continued)

2:05pm - 2:20pm	Treatment Options for Left Renal Vein Compression and How to Decide Which is the Best Option for Your Patient? <i>Peter Gloviczki, MD</i>
2:20pm - 2:35pm	Q&A / Panel Discussion
SESSION V: Management of S2 Disease (9-minute presentation and 3-minute Q&A) <i>Kathleen Gibson, MD and Peter Pappas, MD</i>	
2:35pm - 2:47pm	Is a Gynecologic Evaluation Mandatory Prior to Treatment PeVD? <i>Peter Pappas, MD</i>
2:47pm - 2:59pm	Four Vessel Treatment versus Focused Treatment of Pathology for Isolated Gonadal Vein Reflux - What Does the Evidence Tell Us? <i>Mark Meissner, MD</i>
2:59pm - 3:11pm	Combined Reflux and Compression-Stenting First versus Reflux Treatment First? Does the Current Data Really Support One Over the Other? <i>Karem Harth, MD</i>
3:11pm - 3:23pm	Renal Vein Compression with Reflux and Isolated Pelvic Symptoms. Why Embolization May Be a Safe and Reasonable Strategy. <i>Kathleen Gibson, MD</i>
3:23pm - 3:35pm	Q&A / Panel Discussion
3:35pm - 4:00pm	Break & Visit Exhibit Hall
SESSION VI: Management of S3 Disease (15-minute presentation and 5-minute Q&A) <i>Julianne Stoughton, MD and Kathleen Ozsvath, MD</i>	
4:00pm - 4:20pm	Anatomical Differences Between S2 and S3 -What Are We Looking For to Plan Our Treatment? <i>Kathleen Ozsvath, MD</i>
4:20pm - 4:40pm	Top-down approach: When and How? (Case of S2+S3 with mixed V and P) <i>Julianne Stoughton, MD</i>
4:40pm - 5:00pm	Bottom-up Approach: Labial and Non-saphenous Varices Treatment (Case(s) S3 Alone with Mixed V and P) <i>Aleksandra Jaworucka-Kaczorowska, MD</i>
5:00pm - 6:30pm	Networking Reception



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DAY 2 - SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2026

8:00am - 9:00am	Breakfast
SESSION VII: Special Topics and Case Presentations (7-minute presentation and 3-minute Q&A) <i>Kathleen Oszvath, MD, Suman Wasan, MD and Arjun Jayaraj, MD</i>	
9:00am - 9:10am	Special Topic I - PeVD in Men <i>Fabio Rossi, MD</i>
9:10am - 9:20am	Special Topic II - Setting Up a Multidisciplinary PeVD Program <i>Suman Wasan, MD</i>
9:20am - 9:30am	Special Topic III - EMBOLIZE Trial – Rational and Potential Impact <i>Gloria Salazar, MD</i>
9:30am - 9:40am	Case Presentation I - Severely Symptomatic Concurrent Stenoses of the Left Renal and Left Common Iliac Veins <i>Stephen Daugherty, MD</i>
9:40am - 9:50am	Case Presentation II - Missed Iliac Vein Obstruction and Persistent Symptoms Post Embolization <i>Houman Jalaie, MD</i>
9:50am - 10:00am	Case Presentation III - Complex Overlapping Pain Conditions - More Complicated Than You Think! <i>Mark Meissner, MD</i>
10:00am - 10:10am	Case Presentation IV - Combined May Thurner and Left Renal Vein Compression That Required Treatment of Both <i>Kathleen Oszvath, MD</i>
10:10am - 10:20am	Q&A / Panel Discussion
10:20am - 11:20am	Break & Visit Exhibit Hall
11:20am - 11:30am	Special Topic IV - Outcome Measures in PeVD – Past, Present and Future <i>Professor Alun Davies</i>
11:30am - 11:40am	Special Topic V - Management of Venous Origin Chronic Pelvic Pain – An International Perspective <i>Sergey Gavrilov, MD</i>
11:40am - 11:50am	Special Topic VI - Venous Origin Chronic Pelvic Pain – Guidelines and the Evidence Behind Them <i>Kush Desai, MD</i>
11:50am - 12:00pm	Case Presentation V - Combined Ovarian Vein Reflux and Iliac Vein Stenosis Treated with Stenting Alone <i>Gaurav Lakhanpal, MD</i>
12:00pm - 12:10pm	Case Presentation VI - Symptomatic Recurrent Extra-pelvic Varicose Veins of Pelvic Origin: From Diagnosis to Treatment <i>Aleksandra Jaworucka-Kaczorowska, MD</i>
12:10pm - 12:20pm	Case Presentation VII - Too Old for Pelvic Venous Disease? Think Again! <i>Kathleen Gibson, MD</i>
12:20pm - 12:30pm	Case Presentation VIII – To Embolize or Not - The Case for a Detailed Assessment of Pelvic Venous Outflow <i>Arjun Jayaraj, MD</i>
12:30pm - 12:40pm	Q&A / Panel Discussion
12:40pm - 12:45pm	Vote of Thanks <i>Mark lafrati, MD</i>



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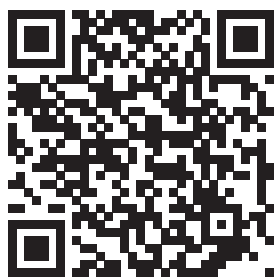
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