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Northern Plains Rural Surgical Society Annual Meeting

The Brown Palace
Denver, Colorado
Friday & Saturday
January 14-15, 2022

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Friday, January 14, 2022

3:30 p.m. NPRSS Executive Committee Meeting

6:00 p.m. Dinner Gathering – Meeting Attendees and Guests
Maggianno's (500 16th Street, Denver)

7:30 p.m. TITLE TBD
Benjamin Jarman, MD

Saturday, January 15, 2022 – The Brown Palace

7:15 a.m. Registration and Breakfast

Scientific Program – Morning Session – Moderator – Robert P. Sticca, MD, FACS

8:00 a.m. Welcome and Overview
Robert P. Sticca, MD, NPRSS President

8:15 a.m. Debate: Appy v Chole.
Marisa Christinia, MD, U of MN
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9:00 a.m. Basic Science I – UND Resident

9:15 a.m. TITLE TBD
Eugene M. Langan, MD “Robert B. Rutherford, M.D. Lecture”

10:00 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. Basic Science II– Robyn Marks, MD, U of MN

10:30 a.m. Overview of the Project
Mary Fallat, MD

10:45 a.m. The Role for Anesthesia and other Pediatric Surgical Disciplines
Kenneth Gow, MD

11:00 a.m. Building a Telehealth and Educational Program for
Children's Surgery – Jonathan Kohler, MD

11:30 a.m. Building Physician Wellbeing into Culture
Luis Garcia, MD

12:00 p.m. Lunch – NPRSS Meeting

Scientific Program – Afternoon Session – Moderator – Jeffrey Chipman, MD, FACS

1:00 p.m. Assessment and Improvement of Quality Surgical Care in
Rural Hospitals – Michael Sarap, MD

1:30 p.m. Results of Quality Initiative for Rural Hospitals
Brian Watkins, MD

1:45 p.m. How I do it: Topics for open forum discussion

2:30 p.m. Resident Perspectives on the Value of Rural General Surgery
Rotations – Rebekah Wood, MD, USD

2:45 p.m. Update on the West Virginia University Fresh Tissue Training
Program (Perfused Cadavers)
David Borgstrom, MD, MBA, FACS, WVU

3:15 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. Consistency is Key: Additional Education and Outreach in a Rural
Trauma System Reduces Excess Imaging Studies
Keith Bernis, MD, USD

3:45 p.m. High Grade Traumatic Spleen Injuries: A Review of Current
Literature and Management Trends in a Rural Trauma System
Michael Burt, MD, USD

4:00 p.m. Addressing the Challenges that Face Rural Surgery
Robert Hollis, MD

4:15 p.m. When Surgical Resources Succumb to a Pandemic
Jeffrey Chipman, MD, FACS, U of MN

4:30 p.m. Adjourn – Prepare for Banquet

6:30 p.m. Cocktail Reception (meeting attendees and guests)

7:00 p.m. Dinner

8:00 p.m. Closing Remarks

