

**PLEASE NOTE
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CMSA-SCC QUARTERLY MEETING **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2026**

Location: USC Arcadia Hospital
300 W. Huntington Drive
Arcadia, CA 91007

HOSTED BY:

(Lewis Hall—Park at Lot B or D—See Map, page 3)
Breakfast and 3 Contact Hours for Nurses and CCM
Meeting Time 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.



Every Leaf, Every Life: Connecting People, Perspectives, and Care

This fall, we will bring together new knowledge, diverse perspectives, and meaningful professional connections. Join us and explore how thoughtful decisions and strong collaboration can help create better, more person-centered outcomes. **Come dressed in your favorite fall color and help us create a room full of different shades, perspectives, and experiences.**

Topics and Presenters:

TITLE: Weighing the Options: Pharmacologic and Surgical Approaches to Obesity Care

Presenter: Asok Doraiswamy, MD, General Surgery, specific areas of interest include bariatric surgery, anti-reflux surgery, and advanced laparoscopy



Dr. Doraiswamy will present an in-depth session on medical and surgical approaches to weight management, including GLP-1 therapies and bariatric procedures. The session will equip attendees to compare outcomes, identify appropriate patient candidates, and understand both the risks and real-world considerations—such as insurance coverage and follow-up care—associated with each treatment pathway.

Learning Outcomes: At the end of this presentation, attendees will be able to:

1. Describe the mechanisms of action of GLP-1 receptor agonists and the major bariatric surgical procedures, including sleeve gastrectomy, Roux-en-Y gastric bypass, and loop duodenal switch.
2. Compare the expected efficacy, time course, and long-term durability of weight loss with GLP-1 therapy versus bariatric surgery.
3. Identify appropriate candidates for each treatment approach, including indications, contraindications, and patient selection criteria (e.g., BMI thresholds, comorbidities).
4. Recognize common and serious adverse effects, risks, and complications associated with both pharmacologic and surgical obesity treatments.
5. Discuss practical considerations, including cost, access to care, insurance coverage, and long-term follow-up requirements for each option.

TITLE: Leading with Equity: Advancing Person-Centered Care for Every Patient

Presenter: Shannon Bradley, MBA, Chief Health Equity, Inclusion and Community Officer, Keck Medicine of USC



Delivering truly person-centered care requires understanding the unique circumstances, barriers, and lived experiences that shape each patient's health journey. This session explores why a health

equity lens is essential to providing safe, high-quality, person-centered care and how it empowers healthcare professionals to reduce disparities, strengthen patient trust, and improve outcomes. Participants will leave with practical tools and strategies to integrate equitable, culturally responsive practices into their daily work while helping build a healthcare system where every patient has a fair and just opportunity to achieve their best possible health.

Learning Outcomes: At the end of this presentation, attendees will be able to:

1. Define health equity and its relevance to best practices
2. Apply a health equity lens to person-centered care planning
3. Gain practical tools and strategies to advance equitable care
4. Leverage advocacy for systemic changes within your organization

TITLE: Neuro-Revascularization in Complex Stroke Care

Presenters: Matthew Tenser, MD, Associate Professor of Clinical Neurological Surgery and Neurology and Director, Community Clinical Neurosciences at Keck Medicine of USC; Director, Neuro-Interventional Surgery at USC Arcadia Hospital



Dr. Tenser, Matthew will explore advanced neuro-revascularization approaches for stroke patients with incomplete recovery after thrombectomy. Attendees will gain practical insight into when additional intervention is needed, what treatment options are available, and how to balance effectiveness with potential risks in managing complex stroke cases.

Learning Outcomes: At the end of this presentation, attendees will be able to:

1. Identify the clinical and imaging factors that may indicate a need for neuro-revascularization following mechanical thrombectomy in patients with acute ischemic stroke.
2. Describe the available neuro-revascularization strategies for patients with persistent or recurrent cerebral hypoperfusion after thrombectomy, including their indications and technical considerations.
3. Evaluate the evidence, outcomes, and potential complications associated with neuro-revascularization procedures in the management of complex ischemic stroke patients.

AGENDA (SEPT. 10, 2026):

Registration/Breakfast:	7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.
Presentation:	8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. (Dr. Asok Doraiswamy)
Break/Networking:	9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.
Presentation:	9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. (Shannon Bradley)
Break/Networking:	10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Presentation:	10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (Dr. Matthew Tenser)

Target Audience: RN, LVN, CCM, and other allied health care professionals

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The Commission for 3 CCM Continuing Education Hours—Activity Code (pending); Approval Code (pending)

Registration Fees (In-Person or Virtual) **Sorry, no refund for this event.**

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After Aug. 16th:	(CMSA Member): \$50	(Non-Member): \$60
Walk-ins:	(CMSA Member): \$55	(Non-Member): \$65

(Walk-ins: Please bring a check or cash; we do not have credit card functionality at the meeting.)

PRE-REGISTRATION AND ONLINE PAYMENT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.

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Annual Holiday Meeting

November 19, 2026

Location: The Grand Long Beach

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