

## US-Canadian Pediatric Surgery Fellows Neonatal Minimally Invasive Course

- **Intended audience:** accredited pediatric surgery junior fellows or single fellows.
- **Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup> 3pm - 6 pm:** interactive lectures at the Sheraton Grand Chicago Riverwalk, after the conclusion of the APSA Annual meeting.
- **Fellows/faculty dinner:** at a local Chicago establishment Saturday night following the lectures.
- **Sunday May 10<sup>th</sup> 7 am - 12:30 pm:** High fidelity hands-on simulation lab at the Northwestern University Simulation, with tissue models for neonatal thoracoscopic lobectomy, thoracoscopic EA/TEF repair, and laparoscopic DA repair.

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The 2026 US-Canadian **Pediatric Surgery Fellows Neonatal Minimally Invasive Course** will take place on **May 9-10, 2026**, following the conclusion of the 2026 APSA Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL.

As in past years, there will be no cost for the pediatric surgery fellows to attend the course. The course is intended for all accredited pediatric surgery junior fellows (or single fellows). Most juniors fellows will be attending APSA, so **to participate in the course fellows would need to extend their stay one more night after APSA and plan on leaving Sunday, May 11, afternoon (the course concludes at 12:30 pm Sunday)**. Fellows/programs will be responsible for travel/lodging and some food.

The basic schedule will be:

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APSA Annual meeting will be held at the Sheraton Grand Riverwalk, Chicago, IL. Registration will begin soon. **If you plan on attending the course, please add the Saturday night hotel stay to your reservation. Alternatively, there are many affordable hotel options nearby.**

**To register or for any questions about the course, please email at your earliest convenience: [pediatricsurgerymis@gmail.com](mailto:pediatricsurgerymis@gmail.com).**

Thank you very much and we look forward to hearing from you.

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