

Southwestern Pennsylvania Chapter

ACS Chapters American College
of Surgeons

DEBATES AND DILEMMAS COMPETITION

ELIGIBILITY – The competition is open to all general surgery residents and surgical specialty residents. Medical students are **not** eligible.

FORUM – This event is LIVE and requires you to create a 7-minute power point presentation with 10 minutes of discussion to follow. Debate questions will be provided in advance.

SUBMISSION – Email a copy of your PowerPoint slides to etaylor@acms.org by Monday, March 27, 2023.

EVENT DETAILS – Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at 6:30 pm, at the Monterey Bay Fish Grotto.

AGENDA –

6:00 pm	ACS-SWPA Council Meeting (Invite Only)
6:30 pm	Registration/Cocktail Reception
7:00 pm	Welcome and Opening Remarks
7:05 pm	Debates Begin
8:30 pm	Winner(s) Selected

DEBATE – There will be 3 debates, with 2 participants each. Each debater will get 7 minutes to present plus 10 minutes for discussion. Subjects to be determined and will be provided in advance.

	DEBATER 1	DEBATER 2	DISCUSSION	TOTAL TIME
TIME	7 min.	7 min.	10 min.	24 min.
	DEBATER 3	DEBATER 4	DISCUSSION	
	7 min.	7 min.	10 min.	24 min.
	DEBATER 5	DEBATER 6	DISCUSSION	
	7 min.	7 min.	10 min.	24 min.
				72 MINUTES

RESULTS - Debates will be judged in real time by the audience and ACS-SWPA Board of Directors. Winner gets a TROPHY with their name engraved on it.

POWERPOINT GUIDELINES

- Speakers should be able to communicate in a 5-7-minute time slot.
 - Slide 1: Title slide
 - Slide 2: Your name, photo, PGY-year and where you are doing your residency
 - Slide 3: Disclosures
 - Slides 4 and on: Present your side of the debate.