

2026 California Head & Neck Cancer Consortium

SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2026

ACCREDITED SESSION: GENERAL SESSION ROOM FROM 8:10 – 10:00 AM ONLY

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY BREAKOUT SESSIONS: ROOM 5201

7:00 – 8:00 AM **BREAKFAST/REGISTRATION/EXHIBITS**

8:00 – 8:10 AM **Welcome & Opening Remarks**
Ellie Maghami, MD | City of Hope

GENERAL SESSION *(CME-Accredited Session)*

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY BREAKOUT SESSION

8:10 – 8:30 AM **AI in Head and Neck Imaging:
Current State and Future Directions**
Luke Ledbetter, MD | City of Hope

8:10 – 8:15 AM *Transition to SLP Breakout in Argyros*

8:15 - 8:30 AM **SLP Opening Remarks**
Taylor Wilde | City of Hope

8:30 – 8:50 AM **HONORARY GUEST SPEAKER**
**Classification of Sinonasal Carcinomas:
From Histology to Molecular Diagnostics and Back**
Juan C. Hernandez-Prera, MD | Moffitt Cancer Center

8:30 – 10:00 AM **Head & Neck Cancer Dysphagia
Case Presentations**
Kaitlin Valdez-Sanqui | City of Hope
Alexa Wilde | West Los Angeles VA Medical Center
Melea Balwan | LA County
Stephanie Wong, MD | Keck Medicine of USC

8:50 – 9:30 AM **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**
**Multidisciplinary Management of Sinonasal Cancers:
Lessons Learned and Future Directions**
Ehab Hanna, MD
University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

9:30 – 9:45 AM **Role of Radiation Therapy in Sinonasal Tumors**
Sagus Sampath, MD | City of Hope

9:45 – 10:00 AM **Redefining the Systemic Landscape in Sinonasal
Malignancies: From Chemotherapy to
Immunotherapy and Targeted Therapy**
Aditya Shreenivas, MD, MS | City of Hope

10:00 – 10:30 AM **BREAK/EXHIBITS**

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GENERAL SESSION

10:30 – 11:00 AM

Moderated Case Presentation Tumor Board Part I

Sinonasal Tumors

Moderators:

Krupal Patel, MD & Sepehr Shabani, MD | *City of Hope*

Panelists:

Edward C. Kuan, MD | *UCI Health*

Jeffrey D. Suh, MD | *UCLA Medical Center*

Evan Walgama, MD | *Cedars- Sinai Medical Center*

Zain Husain, MD | *Kaiser Permanente Medical Group*

Sean Maroongroge, MD, MBA | *City of Hope*

Jacob Thomas, MD

USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center

Deborah J. Wong, MD, PhD | *UCLA Medical Center*

Tom Z. Liang, MD | *City of Hope*

Thomas L. Beaumont, MD, PhD | *UC San Diego*

11:00 AM –
12:20 PM

Clinical Trials

Moderator: Amanda Reyes, MD | *City of Hope*

Speakers:

Allen S. Ho, MD | *Cedars-Sinai Medical Center*

Krupal Patel, MD | *City of Hope*

Arya Amini, MD | *City of Hope*

Fangdi Sun, MD | *Stanford University*

Shirin Attarian, MD | *UCI Health*

Wanxing Chai- Ho, MD | *UCLA Medical Center*

Karen Yun, MD | *UC San Diego Health*

Robert Hsu, MD

USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center

Jacob Thomas, MD

USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center

12:20 – 1:05 PM

LUNCH/EXHIBITS

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY BREAKOUT SESSION

Trismus Assessment and Management

Taylor Wilde | *City of Hope*

11:00 – 11:30 AM

Palliative Care in Head and Neck Cancer

Sanora Yonan | *City of Hope*

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Dysphagia & Nutrition Panel

Brenda Villegas | *Keck Medicine of USC*

Amy Wilke | *Keck Medicine of USC*

Heather Thompson

Cedars-Sinai Medical Center

Alexandra Sullivan

Cedars-Sinai Medical Center

12:00 – 12:15 PM

Insurance Barriers

Mercedes Currier | *City of Hope*

12:15 – 12:30 PM

Open Discussion

Taylor Wilde | *City of Hope*

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- 1:05 – 1:45 PM **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**
Survivorship and the Power of Community
William M. Lydiatt, MD, EMBA | *Clarkson Regional Health Services*
- 1:45 – 2:00 PM **Pantry of Hope: Addressing Nutrition Affordability in Dysphagia Care for Head and Neck Cancer Patients**
Taylor Wilde & Mercedes Currier | *City of Hope*
- 2:00 – 2:15 PM **Digital Health for Improved Outcomes and Quality Cancer Care Delivery**
Virginia Sun, PhD | *City of Hope*
- 2:15 – 3:30 PM **Moderated Case Presentation/Tumor Board Part II**
Salivary
Moderators:
Ellie Maghami, MD | *City of Hope* & Alice Lin, MD | *Kaiser Permanente Medical Group*
Speakers:
Fang Fan, MD, PhD | *City of Hope*
Yarah Haidar, MD | *UCI Health*
Colton Ladbury, MD | *City of Hope*
Amanda Reyes, MD | *City of Hope*
Panelists:
Joseph Califano, MD | *UC San Diego*
Uttam K. Sinha, MD | *Keck Medicine of USC*
Patrick Ha, MD | *UC San Francisco*
Babak Larian, MD | *Cedars-Sinai Medical Center*
Ricky R. Savjani, MD, PhD | *UCLA Medical Center*
Adam Garsa, MD | *USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center*
Aditya Shreenivas, MD, MS | *City of Hope*
Dipti P. Sajed, MD, PhD | *UCLA Medical Center*
- 3:30 PM **ADJOURN**
- 3:30 – 5:00 PM **MEET THE FACULTY RECEPTION** *Sponsored in part by Natera & SUN Pharma*