

The **Department of Neurosurgery** and  
**MSK Kids** at Memorial Sloan Kettering  
Cancer Center present:

# Transforming Pediatric and Young Adult Brain and Spine Tumor Care Through Multidisciplinary Innovation

October 2, 2026, 8:20 a.m.–1:15 p.m. EDT

*Live Virtual & On Demand*



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# Overview

**Presented by the Department of Neurosurgery and MSK Kids, this symposium provides a comprehensive overview of the multidisciplinary management of pediatric brain and spinal tumors at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center (MSK).**

Through presentations by experts in pediatric neuro-oncology, neurosurgery, radiation oncology, neuropathology and molecular diagnostics, rehabilitation medicine, and neuropsychology, participants will gain insight into the integrated care pathways that support children from diagnosis through survivorship.

Program topics include:

- Molecularly guided diagnosis
- Innovative neurosurgical techniques
- Precision radiation therapy
- Emerging targeted therapies and clinical trials
- Rehabilitation and functional recovery
- Long-term neurocognitive and quality-of-life outcomes

Faculty will also highlight specialized MSK Kids programs—including the **Adolescent and Young Adult (AYA) Oncology Program**, **Pediatric Translational Medicine Program (PTMP)**, **Neurofibromatosis (NF) Program**, and **Retinoblastoma Program**—and demonstrate how multidisciplinary collaboration enables personalized, evidence-based treatment plans that improve outcomes across the continuum of care.

## Continuing Education Credit

This live activity has been approved for *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)<sup>™</sup>*, American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM) MOC, American Board of Pediatrics (ABP) MOC, American Board of Surgery (ABS) CC, and American Board of Otolaryngology–Head and Neck Surgery (ABOHNS) CC. Nursing contact hours are pending.

Please refer to the **Accreditation** section for complete credit information.

## Target Audience

This symposium is intended for all healthcare professionals and will provide practical updates on the latest advances in multidisciplinary neuro-oncology care, including emerging diagnostic approaches and the newest therapeutic options.

**Registration is complimentary for all participants.**

### **Complimentary Registration Attend Live Virtually or Access On Demand**

Choose the learning format that fits your schedule. Participate live on October 2, 2026, or register for on demand access to view the recorded program at your convenience.

Please refer to the **Registration** section for details.

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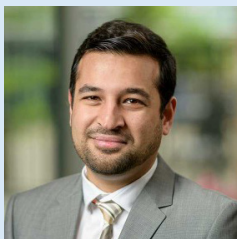
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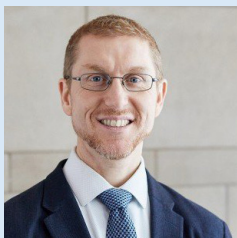
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# Agenda

TIME	PRESENTATION
8:20 a.m.	Virtual Check-in
8:25 a.m.	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> Andrew J. Kobets, MD, MHS
8:30 a.m.	<b>Programmatic Overview and Defining Features</b> Matthias A. Karajannis, MD, MS
9:00 a.m.	<b>State-of-the-art Neurosurgical Management of Pediatric Neuro-Oncology Patients</b> Andrew J. Kobets, MD, MHS
9:30 a.m.	<b>Advances in the Molecular Diagnosis of Central Nervous System Tumors</b> Tejus A. Bale, MD, PhD
10:00 a.m.	<b>Novel Therapeutics and Emerging Trials in Pediatric Neuro-Oncology</b> Sameer Farouk Sait, MBBS
10:30 a.m.	<b>The Evolving Role of Radiation Oncology in the Management of Central Nervous System Tumors</b> Suzanne L. Wolden, MD, FACR
11:00 a.m.	Break
11:10 a.m.	<b>Pediatric Rehabilitation Medicine in Neuro-Oncology</b> Deborah Cassidy, DO
11:40 a.m.	<b>Understanding Long-term Cognitive Monitoring in Pediatric Neuro-Oncology Patients</b> Stephen A. Sands, PsyD
12:10 p.m.	<b>Integrating Integrative Medicine into Routine Neuro-Oncological Care</b> Nirupa J. Raghunathan, MD, MS
12:40 p.m.	<b>Long-term Follow-up and Survivorship in Pediatric Neuro-Oncology</b> Zoltan Antal, MD
1:10 p.m.	<b>Closing Remarks</b> Andrew J. Kobets, MD, MHS
1:15 p.m.	Adjournment

All times listed in the agenda are Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).  
Each presentation includes a live Q&A with the presenting faculty.

# Registration

**We are pleased to offer flexible learning options, with the opportunity to participate live virtually, or view the recorded program on demand following the symposium.**

## **Live Virtual Participation**

Attend the symposium live on Friday, October 2, 2026, from 8:20 a.m.–1:15 p.m. EDT, and engage with faculty through interactive Q&A sessions. The live virtual symposium will be delivered via Zoom Webinar. Registered participants will receive access instructions and login information prior to the program. Participants may claim credit for the live activity and will receive access to the online course syllabus following the symposium.

## **On Demand Access**

View the recorded presentations, complete the enduring activity, and claim credit at your convenience. The on demand program will be available a few weeks after the live symposium. Those who register for on demand access will be notified as soon as the content becomes available.



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- Self-Assessment credits for the American Board of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery (**ABOHNS**) Continuing Certification program; and
- Lifelong Learning & Self-Assessment MOC points for the American Board of Pediatrics (**ABP\***) Maintenance of Certification program; and
- Accredited CME and Self-Assessment credits for the American Board of Surgery (**ABS**) Continuous Certification program; and

It is the CME activity provider's responsibility to submit participant completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABS MOC credit.

## ANCC Nursing Continuing Education

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