

Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this activity, the participant will:

1. Describe the difference between large vessel occlusion (LVO) and small vessel stroke and how in-field LVO screening saves lives.
2. Understand the use of thrombolytics and endovascular treatments for ischemic stroke patients.
3. Identify stroke patients who likely would benefit from neurosurgical interventions.
4. Understand the interdisciplinary relationship between neurology, neurosurgery, and neurointervention.
5. Implement nursing and rehabilitation neurological assessments for complex stroke patients.

Continuing Education Credits (CEUs & CMEs)

Provider approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Adventist Health Sierra Vista Provider CEP #18040 and #40-0011 for EMTs/Paramedics for 4.75 contact hours.

Provider approved by the California Physical Therapy Association, Provider CPTA # pending for 0.475 CEUs for physical therapists.

Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensers Board of California: PDP #464 for 4.75 contact hours.

Occupational therapists licensed in California may also claim CEUs through CBOT. (California Board of Occupational Therapy) with proof of attendance.



This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the California Medical Association (CMA) through the joint providership of Adventist Health Ukiah Valley and Adventist Health Sierra Vista. Adventist Health Ukiah Valley is accredited by the CMA to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Adventist Health Ukiah Valley designates this live activity for a maximum of 4.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.



Scan QR code to register or visit AdventistHealthCentralCoast.org/Symposium

Physician/PA/NP Registration: \$110

General/Healthcare Employees: \$55

Adventist Health Employees (non-physicians): \$44 (use @ah.org email to register)

Please contact Maria Irthum, Neuroscience Coordinator,
with any questions or to request a cancellation.

Refunds are not available.

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Fourth Annual Central Coast Neuroscience Symposium

The Clot Thickens: Advances in Stroke Care

Friday, October 30, 2026

Embassy Suites by Hilton

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Hotel Reservations: 800-549-0800

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Neuroscience Symposium: Advances in Stroke Care

Each year, Adventist Health Sierra Vista, in partnership with UCSF Neurosurgery, highlights a different topic. The goal is to offer contemporary perspectives on patient care, technology, treatments and best-practice strategies.

This year's course curriculum provides an evidence-based review of the complexities of stroke care. Neurologists, neurointerventionalists, surgeons, and nursing professionals will share their specialized expertise in lecture format with Q&A discussions.

Target Audience:

Specialties: Ambulatory Care, Critical Care, Emergency Medicine, Neurology, Neurocritical Care, Acute Inpatient, Primary Care

Audience: Physicians, advanced practice providers, nurses, physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech therapists, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, and other professionals who care for patients with cerebrovascular disease.

By the end of the symposium, learners will have increased their knowledge of the assessment, management, and care of stroke patients and will be able to apply these concepts to their clinical practice.

Join us for our fourth Annual Symposium led by distinguished experts. This interactive conference will deliver evidence-based updates to enhance stroke clinical knowledge — from triage to surgery, endovascular therapy, bedside care, and more.

Schedule of Events: Friday, October 30, 2026

- 8:45 a.m. **Registration and Exhibitors Open**
- 9:45 a.m. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
Maria Irthum, Neuroscience Coordinator
Adventist Health Sierra Vista, Adventist Health Twin Cities
- 10 a.m. **Current Evidence and New Trials in Endovascular Therapy**
Mikayel Grigoryan, MD, Interventional Neurology
Adventist Health Sierra Vista, Adventist Health Glendale
- 10:45 a.m. **Why Can't We Be Friends? Where Neurointervention Meets Neurosurgery**
Maxim Mokin, MD, Interventional Neurology
University of South Florida
- 11:30 a.m. **Networking Break and Exhibitor Experience**
- 11:45 a.m. **Neurosurgical Stroke Care: Indications, Techniques, and Outcomes**
Ben Hendricks MD, Neurosurgery
Adventist Health Sierra Vista
- 12:30 p.m. **Neuro Sleuths: Finding Trouble Before It Finds the Patient**
Michelle Jocson, DNP, MSN/Ed, CNRN
Adventist Health Glendale
- 1:15 p.m. **Buffet Lunch Provided and Exhibitor Experience**
- 2:15 p.m. **Prehospital Stroke Care: LVO In-field Assessment Using VAN**
Mohamed Teleb, MD, Interventional Neurology
Banner Health, Phoenix, Arizona
- 3 p.m. **Keynote Speaker:**
Untangling Vascular Chaos: Management of AVMs, Fistulas, and Other Malformations
Ethan Winkler, MD, PhD, Neurosurgery, UCSF Assistant Professor
UCSF Weill Institute for Neurosciences
- 4 – 4:30 p.m. **Closing Remarks and CEU/CME Certificate Distribution**

Additional speaker bios are available at:
AdventistHealthCentralCoast.org/Symposium

Your attendance will provide you with:

- Educational credits (CEU/CME)
- Evidence-based practice
- Networking opportunities
- Buffet lunch
- Professional resources
- Vendor/technology exhibits