



***Presenting: “iT” the Intrathecal Conference “Intrathecal Therapy Reimagined”***

***Date: May 1-3, 2026***

***Location: Hilton Columbus at Easton, Columbus, OH***

***“iT” Course Directors: Gladstone McDowell, MD, II and Michael Saulino, MD, PhD***

Friday, May 1, 2026			
Time	Location	Topic	Faculty
5:00-6:30 pm		Welcome Reception and Networking Event *Sponsorship Available	
5:00-6:30 pm		Early Registration and Exhibitor Set Up	



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Saturday, May 2, 2026			
Time	Location	Topic	Faculty
8:00-8:05 am		Welcome to “iT” Intrathecal Therapy Reimagined!	Course Directors: Gladstone McDowell, MD, II and Michael Saulino, MD, PhD
8:05-8:25 am		Why Intrathecal Therapy? A Historical Perspective on How We Got Here	Peter Staats, MD, MBA
		<b>Core Science &amp; Mechanisms</b>	Moderator:
8:25-8:45 am		How Intrathecal Therapy Works for Pain and Spasticity	Michael Saulino, MD, PhD
8:45-9:05 am		Intrathecal Pump and Catheter Technology: Current State and Future Directions	Gladstone McDowell, MD, II
		<b>Patient Selection &amp; Pre-Operative Considerations</b>	Moderator:
9:05-9:25 am		Training Required to Perform Intrathecal Therapy	
9:25-9:45 am		Who is the Right Patient and when is the Right Time? Cancer, Non-Cancer and Intractable Spasticity	Brian Bruel, MD and/or Amit Gulati, MD
9:45-10:05 am		Behavioral Medicine Clearance: Psychological Screening and Optimization	
10:05-10:25 am		Pre-Operative Medical Evaluation: Comorbidities and Risk Factors	
10:25-10:45 am		Pre-Operative Surgical Evaluation: Technical Risks and Planning	Eric Grigsby, MD, MBA
10:45-10:55 am		Q&A	All Faculty
10:55-11:25 am		<b>Break w/ Exhibits</b> <b>(2) Product Theaters available</b> <i>*not part of the CME program, no CME credit available</i>	
11:25-12:10 pm			
12:10-1:00 pm		<b>Lunch Symposium Sponsorship Available</b> <i>*not part of the CME program, no CME credit available</i>	
1:00-3:55 pm			

3:55-4:15 pm		Saving Lives and Pain Management - Where Intrathecal Therapy Fits in this Paradigm	Paul Lynch, MD
4:15-4:45 pm		<b>Break w/ Exhibits</b> <b>(2) Product Theaters available</b> <i>*not part of the CME program, no CME credit available</i>	
4:45-5:05 pm		The Evolution and Current Revisions to the Polyanalgesic Consensus (PACC)	
4:45-5:15 pm		Wrap Up and Discussion on the Future in IT Therapy	Gladstone McDowell, MD, II
		<b>Session Close</b>	
6:30-8:00 pm		<b>Evening Event sponsorship available</b> <i>*not part of the CME program, no CME credit available</i>	

**\*\*\*Exhibitors are welcome to break down after the Afternoon break**

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Sunday, May 3rd, 2026			
Time	Location	Topic	Faculty
9:00-9:15 am		Welcome to “iT” Intrathecal Therapy Reimagined! Deep Dive Round Table Discussion Sessions	Course Directors: Gladstone McDowell, MD, II and Michael Saulino, MD, PhD
9:15-9:45 am		Rotation One Table Options: iT Dose and Drug Changes iT Troubleshooting iT for Pain and Spasticity Reimbursement Challenges Cancer Pain Considerations	
9:45-10:15 am		Rotation Two Table Options: iT Dose and Drug Changes iT Troubleshooting iT for Pain and Spasticity Reimbursement Challenges Cancer Pain Considerations	
10:15-10:45 am		Rotation Three Table Options: iT Dose and Drug Changes iT Troubleshooting iT for Pain and Spasticity Reimbursement Challenges Cancer Pain Considerations	
10:45-11:00 am		Wrap Up	