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Neurosurgery Mini-Elective

In the time of CoVID, how can we still host this important introduction for medical students?

Each fall, UPMC’s Neurosurgery Department hosts a short overview of surgical techniques for MS2s, designed by chief resident Mike McDowell, MD.

But re: CoVID, is this still happening?

Yes, we are in the process of setting it up. We will defer to [PittMed’s] restrictions (whatever they will be) and may need to restrict number of students or do online lectures followed by anatomy lab in masks/gloves, but it will definitely happen.

- Michael McDowell, MD (PGY-7)

Here’s the prospective schedule as it stands:

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Rest assured: Whatever happens, this newsletter will update you as the situation develops!

Fridays with Friedlander

A way to stay engaged while physically distanced

Did you know? Every Friday the Department of Neurosurgery hosts a live webcast with updates on the state of the field, and featuring UPMC faculty giving brief talks on their specialty — followed by an interactive Q&A.

The live cast is via MS Teams (https://bit.ly/2Z3z3kU)

All past recordings are also available on YouTube

Zoom Happy Hour

CoVID is no reason to avoid saying in touch!

We’re hosting a happy hour on Wednesday, July 22nd at 8pm with our resident liaison (Dr. Mike McDowell) to chat about the specialty, CoVID changes, and watch a few operative videos.

Drop by via Zoom (https://pitt.zoom.us/j/94303652087)

AANS Membership

Did you know? PittMed has an AANS Student Chapter!

The American Association of Neurological Surgeons has 130+ chapters across the US, Canada, & Mexico and one of them is right here at PittMed!

Benefits of AANS Student Membership

- Free online subscriptions to AANS journals:
  - Journal of Neurosurgery
  - Journal of Neurosurgery: Spine
  - Journal of Neurosurgery: Pediatrics
- Reduced registration at AANS Meetings
- Online educational sessions with CME
- Discounts on publications and merchandise
- No application/dues for student members!

Where/How do I sign up?

Email your AANS President/VP with your Name, Mailing Address, Email, and Expected Grad Date! (current P/VP: Kanu and Jim, respectively). We will then enter you into our roster and you should receive info from AANS a short time later.