



MICHIGAN  
RHEUMATISM  
SOCIETY

*August 8-10, 2025  
Grand Traverse Resort  
Acme, MI*



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# SUMMER CME MEETING

## AGENDA

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 2025

- 11:00 am – 4:30 pm MRS Board & Business Meetings  
*All members welcome!*
- 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Dinner/Navigating Polymyalgia Rheumatica:  
Current Perspectives and Challenges  
*Sponsored by Sanofi*
- 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm MRS Family Dinner

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 8, 2025

- 8:00 am – 9:00 am \*Breakfast/Neuroimmune Modulation for the  
Treatment of Rheumatoid Arthritis  
Jeffrey Curtis, MD *Sponsored by SetPoint Medical*
- 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Practical Musculoskeletal Ultrasound for  
Rheumatology Providers
- 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Things Your Patients Ask About or Are  
Doing
- 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm \*Lunch/Across the Ages - Exploring a thera-  
py for: patients 2+ with pJIA; adults with  
RA; and adults with GCA (mean age 71)  
*Sponsored by AbbVie*  
Adam Brown, MD  
Associate Program Director
- 1:00 pm – 1:45 pm Opening Remarks & MRS Business Meeting  
Amar Majjhoo, MD *President, MRS*
- 1:45 pm - 2:45 pm Growing Pains: Helping Young Adult  
Patients Succeed in Adult Rheumatology  
Care  
Rebecca Sadun, MD
- 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm Immune Complex Disease  
Adam Brown, MD
- 3:45 pm - 4:00 pm \*Break with Exhibitors
- 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Documentation & Coding Issues:  
Lessons from Medicare Audits  
Jean Acevedo, CHC
- 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm \*Welcome Reception & Dinner

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 2025

- 7:00 am – 8:00 am Breakfast with Exhibitors
- 8:00 am – 9:00 am \*Achieving and Sustaining Remission in  
Severe Active ANCA-Associated  
Vasculitis: GPA and MPA  
Adam Brown, MD *sponsored by Amgen*
- 9:00 am – 10:00 am CAR T Treatments  
Al Kim, MD
- 10:00 am – 10:30 am \*Break with Exhibitors
- 10:30 am – 11:30 am Don't Panic! A Rheumatologists' Guide  
to Artificial Intelligence  
Jeffrey Curtis, MD
- 11:30 am – 12:30 pm Taper and Withdrawal of RA Treat-  
ments: Implications for Value-Based  
Care  
Jeffrey Curtis, MD
- 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm \*Lunch/Guideline Considerations for  
Early Treatment of Lupus Nephritis  
Andrew Lazar, MD *sponsored by GSK*
- 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm Knowledge Bowl with Fellows  
Amita Bishnoi, MD (Moderator)  
Alireza Meysami, MD RhMSUS
- 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm \*Poster Tour - MSL Appointments
- \*Non CME Activities

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## PHYSICIAN PROGRAM (CONTINUED)

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025

- 7:00 am – 8:00 am \*Breakfast with Exhibitors
- 8:00 am --9:00 am \*Bimzelx: What Does Zero Disease Activity Mean to You?  
Bret Sohn, MD *Sponsored by UCB*
- 9:00 am – 9:45 am Rheumatoid Arthritis and Cancer: Detangling a Complex Relationship  
Namrata Singh, MD
- 9:45 am –10:00 am \*Break with Exhibitors
- 10:00 am - 10:45 am Geriatric Principles for the Rheumatologist  
Namrata Singh, MD
- 10:45 am - 11:45 am Unmasking the Great Mimicker: Diagnostic and Therapeutic Advances in IgG4-Related Diseases.  
Alireza Meysami, MD
- 11:45 am - 12:45 pm Lunch/ Tremfya in Focus: Multispecialty Insights From a Rheumatologist, Dermatologist, and Gastroenterologist ”  
*Sponsored by Johnson & Johnson*  
Kostas Botsoglou, MD
- 12:45 pm – 1:00 pm \*Closing Remarks & Adjourn

### **“Things Your Patients Ask About or Are Doing”** Friday, August 8, 2025

- 9:00-10:00 am Phytomedicine from a Rheumatology/Immunology Perspective  
Lise Alschuler, ND, eMBA
- 10:00-11:00 am Integrative Approaches to Pain Management  
Maureen Anderson, MD  
Medical Director
- 11:00-12:00 pm Wellness Strategies in Rheumatology  
Elaine Husni, MD, MPH

## OFFICE MANAGER PROGRAM

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 2025

- 7:00 am – 8:00 am Breakfast with Exhibitors/ Registration
- 8:00 am – 11:00 pm “2025 Billing & Coding Update”  
Jean Acevedo  
Delray, FL  
Jay Salliotte, MBA  
Lansing, MI
- 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Practical Advocacy Tips for Rheumatology Managers and Staff: Why it Matters  
Michael Saitta, MD/MBA  
Fayetteville, AR
- 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch/Tremfya with Me Enhanced Service Offerings  
Speaker TBD  
*sponsored by Johnson & Johnson*

### **“Practical Musculoskeletal Ultrasound for Rheumatology Providers”** Friday, August 8, 2025

Alireza Meysami, MD RhMSUS  
Ali Ali, MD

- 9:00 - 9:30 am Fundamentals Of MSK Ultrasound
- 9:30 - 10:00 am Ultrasound of the Hand: Normal & Abnormal Findings
- 10:00 - 10:45 am Ultrasound of the Shoulder: Normal & Abnormal Findings
- 10:45 - 12:00 pm Hands-on workshop

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☐ Current MRS Members, Residents & Fellows: **NO CHARGE**    ☐ Office Manager Program

I also will be attending:    ☐ Thurs. Board Meeting    ☐ Thurs. Sponsored Dinner \_\_\_\_\_ Thursday Family Dinner  
(number attending)

☐ **Friday am Ultrasound Workshop**    ☐ **Friday am Alternative Medicine Workshop**  
*(Space is limited for both workshops - please register early!)*

☐ Friday evening Reception & Dinner

**Guest Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**We would like to share your name/city with the exhibitors at the MRS Summer Meeting**

☐ I consent to have my name/city shared with the exhibitors    ☐ I do not consent to have my name/city shared with the exhibitors  
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**BY PHONE:** 517-203-5560    **ONLINE:**

**SPECIAL ACCOMODATIONS:** Those with dietary restrictions (vegetarian, etc) or who need other special accommodations should contact MRS headquarters directly at 517-203-5560.

**HOTEL INFORMATION:** This conference will be held at the Grand Traverse Resort . ***THE MRS PHYSICIAN ROOM BLOCK IS OPEN AND FILLING UP FAST.***