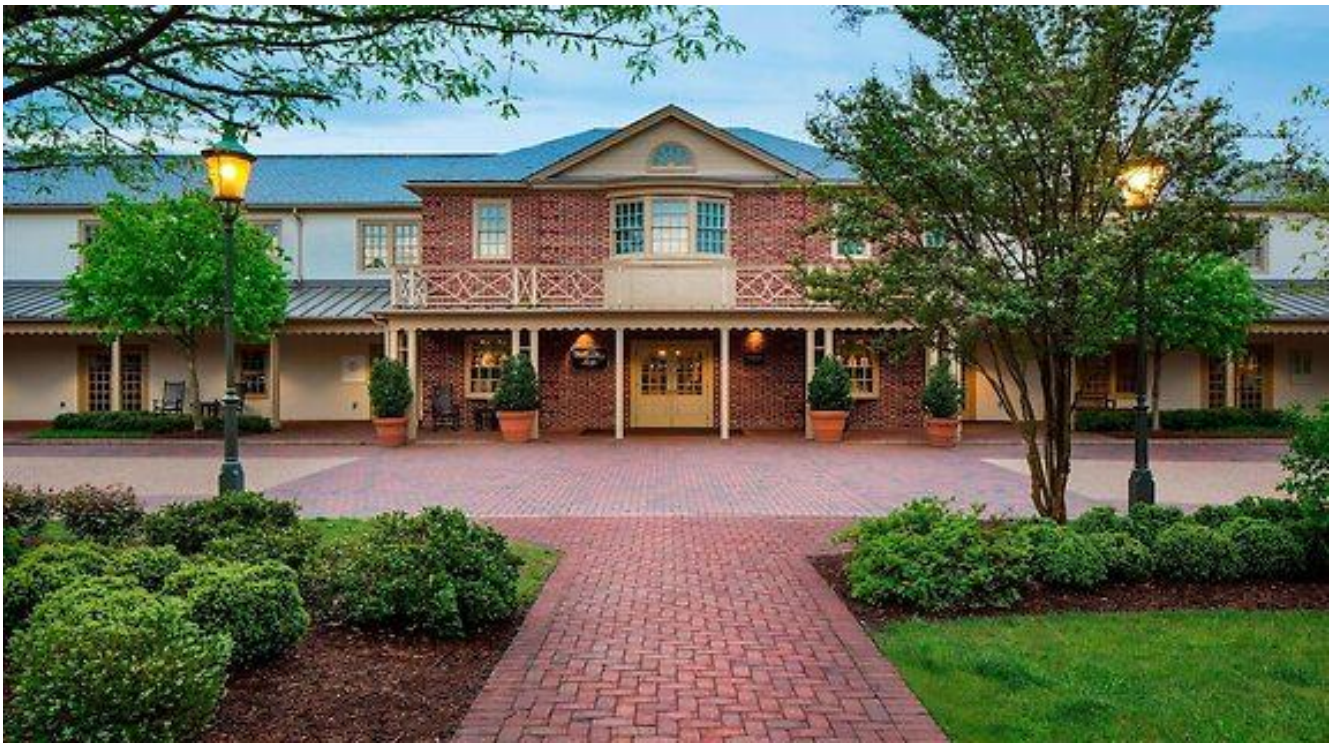
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Annual Meeting Registration Brochure

February 26-28, 2027
The Williamsburg Lodge
Williamsburg, VA



Meet the 2026-2027 VSOMS Executive Council

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2027 Annual Meeting Agenda

Friday, February 26, 2027

3:30 pm-6:30 pm	Exhibit Set-Up/Registration Table Open
7:00 pm-9:00 pm	Executive Council Meeting

Saturday, February 27, 2027

7:30 am-7:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Open
7:30 am -8:30 am	Registration/Breakfast in Exhibit Hall
8:30 am-10:00 am	*The KLS IPS Preprosthetic: Pearls and Pitfalls* presented by Dr. Yotom Rabinowitz and VCU Chief Residents: Dr. Gabriel French, Dr. Mohammed Obeid, Dr. Melchoir Savarese
10:00 am -10:15 am	Coffee Break
10:15 am-11:45 am	*The KLS IPS Preprosthetic: Pearls and Pitfalls* (continued)
11:45 pm-1:15 pm	Lunch in Exhibit Hall
1:15 pm-2:30 pm	VSOMS Business Meeting Dr. Vickas Agarwal, VSOMS President
2:30 pm-5:00 pm	*"Closing the Loop" Aligning Clinical Judgment with Histologic Diagnosis in Everyday Practice*, presented by Dr. Sarah Glass
5:00 pm-7:00 pm	VSOMS Reception in Exhibit Hall

Sunday, February 28, 2027

7:00 am -8:00 am	Breakfast
8:00 am -10:00 am	*Office Emergency Readiness: Training your Team Through Simulation*, presented by Dr. Yotom Rabinowitz
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Coffee Break
10:15 am – 12:00 pm	*Office Emergency Readiness: Training your Team Through Simulation* (continued)
12:00 pm	Conclusion of Meeting

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The KLS IPS Preprosthetic: Pearls and Pitfalls

Saturday, February 27, 2027
8:30 a.m.-11:45 p.m.
Fee: $45
Continuing Education Credits: 3
Presented by: Dr. Yotom Rabinowitz and VCU Chief Residents: Dr. Gabriel French, Dr. Mohammed Obeid and Dr. Melchoir Savarese



Dr. Yotom A. Rabinowitz is Assistant Professor and Program Director in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Virginia Commonwealth University. He obtained his DDS from the SUNY Buffalo and completed his residency training at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center. Dr. Rabinowitz has a full-scope clinical practice, with particular interests in the treatment of jaw tumors, facial deformities, and complex reconstructive surgery. His research focuses on point-of-care 3D printing applications and minimally invasive techniques for the reconstruction of jaw defects. He also has a strong interest in office-based emergency preparedness and simulation-based education. When not at work, Dr. Rabinowitz enjoys playing the piano, staying active through fitness, and, most importantly, spending time with his family, including his wife, Eden, and their four children.

VCU OMFS Department Chief Residents Presenting:

Dr. Gabriel French is the Chief Resident in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia. He earned his Doctor of Dental Medicine degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine and completed his undergraduate studies at East Stroudsburg University, where he dual majored in Biochemistry and Biotechnology. Throughout his training, Dr. French has developed a strong interest in the full scope of oral and maxillofacial surgery, with particular emphasis on delivering high-quality patient care and advancing clinical education. Following completion of his residency, he plans to return to Pennsylvania, where he will enter private practice and establish his long-term career. Outside of surgery, Dr. French looks forward to building a life in Pennsylvania with his fiancée and their dog, with hopes of raising a family in the community he calls home.

Dr. Mohammed Obeid is a chief Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery resident at the Virginia Commonwealth University Division of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, with an anticipated graduation in 2027. He earned his DDS from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry, where he graduated in the top 5 of 146 students, and previously received a BS in Nutrition and Biomedical Sciences from Wayne State University with a 3.93 GPA. Dr. Obeid has extensive experience in dentoalveolar surgery, dental implants, anesthesia, trauma, orthognathic surgery, and TMJ procedures. He is a two-time recipient of the Dr. Daniel Laskin Academic Achievement Award, recognizing the highest OMSITE score in his residency program, and is actively involved in research, education, and mentoring within the oral and maxillofacial surgery community.

Dr. Melchior Savarese is a Chief Resident in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Virginia Commonwealth University Health System and is expected to complete his training in 2027. He earned his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry and completed a General Practice Residency at the University of Utah Health System. Dr. Savarese has authored publications in the *Journal of the American Dental Association* and the *Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery* and has been actively involved in research focused on oral pathology and surgical education. In addition to his clinical and academic pursuits, Dr. Savarese has a strong commitment to resident education, community service, and organized dentistry, having served in leadership roles with Mission of Mercy clinics and the Virginia Dental Association. He plans to pursue a career that combines patient care, education, and research in oral and maxillofacial surgery.

The Speakers and the VSOMS planning team do not have any financial arrangements/affiliations to disclose relating to the content of this presentation.

Course Description

This presentation will provide an overview of patient-specific subperiosteal implants utilizing the KLS Martin IPS (Individual Patient Solutions) Preprosthetic. The discussion will review the indication, treatment planning process, surgical planning, design considerations, operative techniques, prosthetic workflows, and logistical factors. Case-based presentations will be used to review clinical outcomes, advantages, limitations, and potential complications. Current VCU OMFS chief residents (Dr. Gabriel French, Dr. Mohammed Obeid, Dr. Melchiore Savarese) will be contributing to the presentation.

Educational Objectives

By the end of the course, attendees should:

- Identify surgical indications for KLS IPS-preprosthetic.
- Analyze key factors involved with surgical planning.
- Demonstrate surgical techniques utilizing the implant.
- Summarize advantages and potential limitations of this technique.

Continuing Education for Dr. Rabinowitz's Course

The Virginia Dental Association is an ADA CERP Recognized Provider. ADA CERP is a service of the American Dental Association to assist dental professionals in identifying quality providers of continuing dental education. ADA CERP does not approve or endorse individual courses or instructors, nor does it imply acceptance of credit hours by boards of dentistry.

The Virginia Dental Association designates this activity for 3 continuing education credits. This continuing education activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the standards of the ADA Continuing Education Recognition Program (ADA CERP) through joint efforts between The Virginia Dental Association and the Virginia Society of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons.

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"Closing the Loop" Aligning Clinical Judgment with Histologic Diagnosis in Everyday Practice

Saturday, February 27, 2027
2:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Continuing Education Credits: 2.5
Fee: $45
Presented by: Dr. Sarah Glass



Dr. Sarah Glass is a board certified oral and maxillofacial pathologist. After graduating from the VCU School of Dentistry in 2014, she completed a three-year hospital-based residency in oral and maxillofacial pathology at New York Presbyterian Queens. In 2018, she returned to VCU, where she is currently an associate professor with tenure, interim chair of the Department of Oral Diagnostic Sciences, and Laboratory Director of Oral Diagnostic Services. Dr. Glass is deeply committed to education and is known for her clear, clinically relevant teaching style that emphasizes diagnostic reasoning, patient centered care, and preparing learners to manage uncertainty in clinical practice. The Speaker and the VSOMS planning team do not have any financial arrangements/affiliations to disclose relating to the content of this presentation.

Course Description

Accurate diagnosis in oral and maxillofacial surgery relies on effective integration of clinical assessment, biopsy strategy, and pathology interpretation. This case-based session focuses on strengthening that connection in everyday practice. Participants will examine diagnostic reasoning in uncertain presentations, principles of biopsy site selection, and practical approaches to interpreting pathology reports. Key insights from AAOMS position papers, alongside selected pearls and pitfalls in the diagnosis of small oral biopsies and emerging developments in oral pathology, will be incorporated throughout.

Educational Objectives

By the end of the course, attendees should be able to:

- Refine clinical decision-making when evaluating oral lesions with uncertain or atypical features.
- Select biopsy sites strategically to improve diagnostic yield and clinicopathologic correlation.
- Interpret pathology reports with greater precision, recognizing limitations, key terminology, and implications for management.

Continuing Education for Dr. Glass's Course

The Virginia Dental Association (VDA) is an ADA CERP Recognized Provider. ADA CERP is a service of the American Dental Association to assist dental professionals in identifying quality providers of continuing dental education. ADA CERP does not approve or endorse individual courses or instructors, nor does it imply acceptance of credit hours by boards of dentistry.

The VDA designates this activity for 2.5 continuing education credits. This continuing education activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the standards of the ADA Continuing Education Recognition Program (ADA CERP) through joint efforts between The VDA and the Virginia Society of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons.

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Office Emergency Readiness: Training your Team Through Simulation

Sunday, February 28, 2027
8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Continuing Education Credits: 4
Fee: $65
Presented by: Dr. Yotom Rabinowitz



Dr. Yotom A. Rabinowitz is Assistant Professor and Program Director in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Virginia Commonwealth University. He obtained his DDS from the SUNY Buffalo and completed his residency training at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center. Dr. Rabinowitz has a full-scope clinical practice, with particular interests in the treatment of jaw tumors, facial deformities, and complex reconstructive surgery. His research focuses on point-of-care 3D printing applications and minimally invasive techniques for the reconstruction of jaw defects. He also has a strong interest in office-based emergency preparedness and simulation-based education. When not at work, Dr. Rabinowitz enjoys playing the piano, staying active through fitness, and, most importantly, spending time with his family, including his wife, Eden, and their four children.

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Course Description

While training for in-office emergencies often focuses on individual knowledge and technical skills, successful emergency management depends heavily on the preparedness of the entire clinical team. These rare but high-yield events require effective communication and coordinated team-based responses. This interactive session will explore the role of simulation-based education in improving office emergency readiness, enhancing team performance, and identifying system vulnerabilities before real emergencies occur. Participants will learn practical strategies for implementing simulation exercises in their own practices, creating realistic emergency scenarios, conducting effective debriefings, and fostering a culture of continuous improvement and patient safety.

Educational Objectives

By the end of the course, attendees should be able to:

- Describe the fundamental principles of simulation-based education.
- Demonstrate the components of an effective simulation training session.
- Describe the key elements of successful prebriefing and debriefing and explain their role in creating a psychologically safe learning environment and promoting reflective practice.

Continuing Education for Dr. Rabinowitz's Course

The VDA designates this activity for 4 continuing education credits. This continuing education activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the standards of the ADA Continuing Education Recognition Program (ADA CERP) through joint efforts between The VDA and the Virginia Society of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons.

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Hotel Reservations

The 2027 VSOMS Annual Meeting

The Williamsburg Lodge

The Williamsburg Lodge is a comfortable and cozy residential hotel located in the heart of Colonial Williamsburg. Decorative elements of classic American style give character and charm to this unique hotel. For those hoping to not only take part in the conference offerings, you and your family can enjoy the many offerings conveniently centered around the hotel. Take advantage of the Spa of Williamsburg, fitness facilities, the Golden Horseshoe Golf Club, shopping and dining in Merchants Square and historic tours of Colonial Williamsburg. Other attractions in Williamsburg include Busch Gardens, outlet shopping, and a whole host of tours and local events, not to mention Jamestown and Yorktown are nearby as well.

DEADLINE TO MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS: February 2, 2027

Rooms secured through the VSOMS Annual Meeting will be released on February 2, 2027, at 5:00 p.m. Reservations made after this date will be handled on a space and rate available basis. The Williamsburg Lodge cannot guarantee the VSOMS room rate after this date.

ROOM RATES: $209/night

Subject to VSOMS room block availability, the Williamsburg Lodge will honor the contracted room rate February 26-28, 2027, providing such reservations are guaranteed to the Lodge and are subject to applicable cancellation policies**.** Check-in time is after 4:00 pm. Check-out time is before 11:00 am. All reservations must be accompanied by one night's deposit for room and tax.

RESERVATIONS MAY BE MADE ONLINE BY CLICKING HERE

OR BY CALLING 1-800-261-9530

When calling to make a reservation, please specify that you are attending the meeting with the VSOMS to ensure that you receive the discounted room rate.

Those registering for the meeting are responsible for making individual hotel reservations.



Meeting Registration

Register for the Annual Meeting on the VSOMS website here.

Registration Fees:

- VSOMS Member: $350
- VSOMS Life Fellow: $250
- VSOMS New Member (First time attendee): $250
- VSOMS Retired Life Fellow: $150
- Non-member OMS: $650
- OMS Staff: $250 (optional for one staff member; staff attendance is limited)

  Fees Include: Access to the Exhibit Hall, Saturday breakfast, Saturday Lunch, Saturday Reception, Sunday Breakfast, and Coffee Breaks.

Continuing Education Presentation Fees:

- *The KLS IPS Preprosthetic: Pearls and Pitfalls* (Dr. Rabinowitz): $45
- *"Closing the Loop" Aligning clinical judgment with histologic diagnosis in everyday practice* (Dr. Glass): $45
- *Office Emergency Readiness: Training your Team Through Simulation* (Dr. Rabinowitz): $65

Spouse/Guest Registration Fees:

- Breakfasts, Saturday Lunch and Reception: $175
- Reception Only: $65

If you prefer to pay by check, you may submit your registration form through the website and disregard the payment page. Checks should be made payable to VSOMS and mailed to 4701 Cox Road, Ste. 111, Glen Allen, VA 23060.

Meeting Registration Deadline: February 1, 2027

Meeting Information

Exhibits:

Representatives from a myriad of companies providing oral and maxillofacial surgical products, supplies, instruments, equipment, and services will be present at the VSOMS Annual Meeting. Please be sure to visit the exhibit area and support the vendors who help make our meeting possible.

A complete list of all vendors exhibiting at the meeting will be emailed to participants at least a week prior to the meeting and will be included in the Program Guide given onsite to participants.

*Note that the exhibit hall will be open from 7:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m. on Saturday and will not be open on Sunday.

Attire:

Attire for the meeting will be business casual.

Directions to the Williamsburg Lodge

From Interstate 64, take exit 238 onto Route 143 East. Follow Route 143 to the second traffic light and bear right onto Route 132 (Henry Street). Continue on Henry Street through the Historic Area. At the third traffic light, turn left onto Francis Street. Turn right on the second street (South England); the Lodge is immediately on the right. Turn into the circular drive on the right and check in at the Williamsburg Lodge Lobby.

Parking

Self-parking is $5.00 per guestroom, per night for overnight guests. The charge will be applied to the guestroom reservation, and a parking pass will be given to each guest upon arrival. Guests who are not staying at the hotel will pay using the Hotel's parking App and the daily fee is $25. Directions for using the App are displayed throughout the parking area.

Registration Cancellation Policy:

If a registration is cancelled in writing to givens@vadental.org no later than February 1, 2027, a refund will be processed with a 5% fee calculated based on the original registration fee. Refunds will be processed towards the original amount within 10 business days of cancellation.

Questions?

Should you have any general registration questions or specific questions regarding the VSOMS Annual Meeting, please contact Laura Givens at 804-523-2185 or givens@vadental.org.