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~ Schedule of Events~

Wednesday, June 17, 2026

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Attendee Registration
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Network Reception and Exhibit Hall Opening
<u>Thursday, June 18, 2026</u>	
7:30 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.	Breakfast in Exhibit Hall
8:15 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Federal Focus <i>Bill Prentice, JD, Ambulatory Surgery Center Association</i>
9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Refreshment Break/Networking in the Exhibit Hall
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	CMS Survey Prep and Top Violations <i>Mary Ryan, RN, BSN, MBA, CASC, CAIP, Amblitel</i>
11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	How to Engage in Difficult Conversations <i>Geri Eaves, BSN, RN, CASC, CNOR, Bone and Joint Institute of TN Surgery Center</i>
12:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Buffet Luncheon in the Exhibit Hall
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Breakout Sessions A. Surveying a Sterile Processing Department <i>Deltra Austin, BS, CHL, CRCST, CST, STERIS</i>
	B. Accounts Receivable Management – Lessons from the Trenches <i>Leah Ethridge, MBA, Surgical Management Associates</i>
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Medication Management & Drug Diversion Prevention <i>Alex Yampolsky, PharmD, MBA, MedServe</i>
4:00 p.m.	State Breakouts
<u>Friday, June 19, 2026</u>	
7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Networking Breakfast
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Keynote <i>Heather Lambert, Wellpath</i>
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Refreshment Break
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Infection Control Checklist <i>Tina DiMarino, DNP, MBA, RN, FACHE, CASC, CNOR Ambulatory Strategies, Inc..</i>
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Anesthesia Challenges and Solutions <i>Doug Jackson, SCA Health</i>
12:00 p.m.	Closing Remarks