



Integra Foundation Awards Grants to the Congress of Neurological Surgeons

Foundation Partners With CNS On New Education Initiative

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The Integra Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Integra LifeSciences Corporation (Nasdaq:IART), has awarded grants totaling \$110,000 to the Congress of Neurological Surgeons (CNS) in support of the 2007 Congress of Neurological Surgeons Annual Meeting in San Diego, September 15-20, 2007.

"We are delighted to continue supporting the educational efforts of the CNS, which reflect our commitment to improving medical care," said Gianna Sabella, Executive Director of the Integra Foundation.

Integra Foundation, the CNS Neurosurgical Education Partner, provided the educational grants in support of the new CNS Integrated Medical Learning(SM) (IML) program, an education initiative designed to enhance the individual neurosurgeon's learning experiences and improve the overall process of medical education.

"Created by the CNS, IML represents our efforts to transform the meeting experience from a several-day event to an expanded process," said CNS President, Douglas Kondziolka, MD, MSc, FACS, FRCSC. "Through efforts such as IML, the CNS continues its commitment to developing both the conceptual framework and the educational processes necessary to enhance medical learning and advance the science of medical education."

Founded in 1951, the Congress of Neurological Surgeons exists to enhance health and improve lives worldwide through the advancement of education and scientific exchange. The CNS is a leader in education and innovation, providing its neurosurgical members with the highest quality educational programs and promoting innovative research critical to the advancement of neurosurgery. Through volunteer service on CNS committees and in leadership positions, CNS members guide the future of neurosurgery while developing their own leadership skills. The CNS represents more than 6,000 neurosurgeons and allied health care professionals worldwide. The CNS is dedicated to promoting public welfare through the advancement of neurosurgery, and maintains advocacy on numerous issues impacting neurosurgeons, affiliated specialists, and patients worldwide.

The Integra Foundation is dedicated to advancing innovative medical and healthcare research and education, primarily in the areas of neurosurgery, reconstructive and general surgery, that lead to improved outcome and quality of life for patients and their communities. It is funded by Integra LifeSciences Corporation, a leader in developing and marketing high quality surgical instruments, as well as innovative devices and bio-products, for use in neurosurgery, reconstructive and general surgery and soft tissue repair.

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