

DAS Wales 2026 - Provisional Programme – November 11-13th 2026

Wednesday - 11th November 2026 - Workshop circuit, see website for details

PLEASE NOTE – PROGRAMME IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Conference Day 1 – Thursday 12th November 2026

08:00	Registration & Coffee
09:00	Welcome and Introductions <i>Professor Alistair McNarry, DAS President, Consultant Anaesthetist, NHS Lothian, Edinburgh</i> <i>Dr Thomas Kitchen, DAS Wales 2026 LOC Chair, Consultant Anaesthetist, Cardiff and Vale UHB, Cardiff</i>
09.10	Evolution From Mapleson to Vaughan; the evolution of airway management and Wales <i>Dr Danielle Huckle, Consultant Anaesthetist, Cardiff and Vale UHB, Cardiff</i> DAS from 2004 to 2026 <i>Professor Alistair McNarry, DAS President, Consultant Anaesthetist, NHS Lothian, Edinburgh</i>
10:00	DAS Professor Lecture: Professor Imran Ahmad <i>Consultant Anaesthetist, Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Trust, London</i>
10:30	Coffee Break
11:00	Managing predicted difficulty Airway management in major burns <i>Dr Zyllan Spilsbury, Consultant Anaesthetist, Swansea Bay UHB, Swansea</i> Syndromic Children, Clefts and lessons from the HSSIB report <i>Dr James Farrant, APA Committee, Consultant Paediatric Anaesthetist, Swansea Bay UHB, Swansea</i> Airway management on Mercy Ships <i>Dr Anette Scholtz, Consultant Anaesthetist, Cardiff & Vale UHB, Cardiff</i>
12:30	Lunch Break
13:30	Human factors and performance Enhanced concepts on safety <i>Dr Annie Hunningher, Consultant Anaesthetist, BARTS Health NHS Trust, London</i> Leadership when things go wrong, learning from the Royal Navy <i>Captain Kate Prior, Consultant in Anaesthetics and Major Trauma, Kings' College Hospital NHS Trust, London</i>
14:30	Coffee
15:00	Hot topics: in the spotlight

	Gastric Aspiration GLP-1 and SGLT-2 inhibitors <i>Professor Kariem El-Boghdadly, Consultant Anaesthetist, Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Trust, London</i> TIVA vs TCI for RSI <i>Dr Alistair Baxter, SIVA President, Consultant Anaesthetist, NHS Lothian, Edinburgh</i> Introducing universal video laryngoscopy – human and environmental challenges <i>TBC</i>
16:30	Trainee Oral Presentations - Session 1 Up to 3x 7-minute presentations with 2 minutes questions
17:00	Close & announcements <i>Dr Thomas Kitchen, DAS Wales 2026 LOC Chair, Consultant Anaesthetist, Cardiff and Vale UHB, Cardiff</i>
17:30	DAS Charity Birthday Celebration - Celebrating 30 years of DAS, Celtic Manor Conference Centre

Conference Day 2 – Friday 13th November 2026

08:00	Registration & Coffee		
08:00	DAS AMM		
09:00	Trainee Oral Presentation - Session 2 Up to 3x 7-minute presentations with 2 minutes questions	Parallel ODP Breakout Session	
09:30	Theme: Gaining and Retaining Skills in Airway Management What makes a high quality airway SIA in 2026? <i>Dr Helen Iliff, ST6 and Airway Fellow at Waikato Hospital, Hamilton, New Zealand</i> An ethical dilemma in airway training – to consent or not? <i>Dr Barry McGuire, Consultant Anaesthetist, NHS Tayside, Dundee</i> DAS 2025 Guidelines Education Package: 1 year on <i>Dr Gunjeet Dua, Consultant Anaesthetist, Guy’s and St Thomas’ NHS Trust, London</i>		
10:30	Coffee Break		
11:00	International Societies Session Society for Airway Management - Avoiding and Managing the Soiled Airway <i>Dr Richard E Galgon, Treasurer of SAM, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Anaesthesiology, Medical College of Wisconsin, USA</i> European Airway Management Society - Tracheal Pseudomembranes: A Silent Killer		

	<i>Assoc. Professor Massimiliano Sorbello, Immediate past president of EAMS, Consultant in Anesthesia and Intensive Care, Italy</i>
11:50	Keynote panel: Dame Baroness Tanni Grey - Thompson, DBE DL
12:30	DAS 2027 Announcement
12:35	Lunch Break
13:30	Airways from a different perspective Subglottic stenosis and airway radiology <i>Mr Andrew Harris, Consultant ENT Surgeon, Aneurin Bevan UHB, Newport</i> Paediatric ENT surgery and shared airways <i>Miss Thushitha Kunanandam, Consultant ENT Surgeon, Greater Glasgow and Clyde.</i> The forensic post-mortem and the airway. <i>Dr Ginny Fitzpatrick-Swallow, Home Office Pathologist, London</i>
15:00	Coffee Break
15:30	Airway Management in Special Circumstances Airway management in obstetrics - TBC <i>Dr Yavor Metodiev, Consultant Anaesthetist, Cardiff and Vale UHB, Cardiff</i> Managing the airway in an obesity pandemic: the evidence based approach <i>Dr Andrew McKechnie, SOBA President, Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust, London</i> Implications of transgender surgery on airway management <i>Dr Luke Flower, Specialty Registrar ICM London & Doctoral Research Fellow, University of Cambridge</i>
16:50	Awards and Closing Remarks <i>Professor Alistair McNarry, DAS President, Consultant Anaesthetist, NHS Lothian, Edinburgh</i> <i>Dr Thomas Kitchen, DAS Wales 2026 LOC Chair, Consultant Anaesthetist, Cardiff and Vale UHB, Cardiff</i>