

Thursday, May 7th – Registration Opens at 7:00am		ROOM
8:15 – 8:45 am	Welcome & Opening Remarks	
8:45-9:45 am	1. Opening Keynote- The Impact of AI on Clinical Laboratory Science Dr. Kyle Riding - ASCLS 2025-2026 President – Sponsored by ASCLS-MT	
9:45-10:00 am	Networking Break	
10:00 am-noon	2. Scientific Assembly – Presented by Region VIII Leadership Academy Interns Class 2025-2026	
noon-1:30 pm	Lunch with Exhibitors	
1:30-2:30 pm	3. Title: TBD. Topic: Rural Health Transformation – Ed Buttrey. Sponsored by Montana Hospital Association	
2:30-2:45 pm	Networking Break	
2:45-3:45 pm	4. Title: TBD. Topic: Genetics – Dr. Abdallah Elias - Sponsored by Shodair	5. Title: Unlocking the Value of Excess Lab Capacity – Ron Sparks - Sponsored by Carent
3:45-4:00 pm	Networking Break	
4:00-5:30 pm	ASCLS-Montana General Membership meeting	
5:30-7:30 pm	Hors d'oeuvres with exhibitors; Charity Silent Auction benefiting MLS/MLT Student Scholarships	
Friday, May 8th – Registration opens at 7:30am		
8:00-9:00 am	6. WHAT'S IN YOUR URINE? Imitation, Innovation and the Art of Subversion of Urine Drug Screens – Dr. Rick Bateh - Sponsored by Validity Diagnostics	7. Understanding the Significance of Blood Culture Contamination: Impacts and Effective Solutions – Maggie Veldman - Sponsored by Kurin
9:00-11:00 am	Brunch with Exhibitors	
11:00 am-noon	8. Choosing the Correct ANA Technology - Dave Tomichek - Sponsored by BioRad	9. Title: TBD. Topic: H.pylori - Jim Ure - Sponsored by SSI Diagnostica
Noon – 1:30 pm	ASCLS Awards ceremony and officers' installation ASCLS Updates – ASCLS-MT President Anne Tate; Region VIII updates and National updates	
1:30-2:30 pm	10. Are You a Business Owner? Or Does the Business Own You? – Jewell Zweegman. Sponsored by Billings Clinic	11. TBD
2:30-2:45 pm	Networking Break	
2:45-3:45 pm	12. Beyond Regulation: Legislative Forces and Federal Policy Shaping the Future of Clinical Laboratories – Anne Tate - Sponsored by ASCLS-MT	
3:45-4:00 pm	Networking Break	
4:00-5:00 pm	13. Monsters, Myths, and Medicine: Scientific Explanations Behind Global Medical Folklore – Maria Rodriguez - Sponsored by ASCLS-MT	
5:30-8:00 pm	Social: TBD	
Saturday, May 9th – Registration opens at 7:30am		
8:30-9:30 am	14. The 10-Minute Supply Room: Lean Systems That Transform Lab Inventory – Tracy Clarno - Sponsored by Bitterroot Health	15. TBD
9:30-9:45 am	Networking Break	
9:45-10:45 am	16. Title: TBD Topic: Hematology – Dr. Simone Davion. Live Webinar – Sponsored by Billings Clinic	17. Title: The Policy Side of Global Lab Work: What Visa Changes Mean for Employers and International Professionals – Torie Poser - Sponsored by Go Rural
10:45-11:00 am	Networking Break	
11:00am-noon	18. Closing Session- Health Equity and the Clinical Laboratory – Dr. Kyle Riding- ASCLS 2025-2026 President – Sponsored by ASCLS-MT	