

Thursday, May 7 th – Registration Opens at 7:00am		ROOM
8:15 – 8:45 am	Welcome & Opening Remarks	Meadowlark/Cutthroat
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	Meadowlark/Cutthroat
9:45-10:00 am	Networking Break	
10:00 am-noon	2. Scientific Assembly– Presented by Region VIII Leadership Academy Interns Class 2025-2026	Meadowlark/Cutthroat
noon-1:30 pm	Lunch with Exhibitors	Bitterroot/ Sapphire/ Ponderosa
1:30-2:30 pm	3. Rural Health Transformation Program and Montana – Ed Buttrey. Sponsored by Montana Hospital Association	Meadowlark/Cutthroat
2:30-2:45 pm	Networking Break	
2:45-3:45 pm	4. From Panels to Genomes: The Evolving Role of Sequencing in Clinical Care and Public Health– Dr. Abdallah Elias - Sponsored by Shodair.	4.Meadowlark/Cutthroat 5. Grizzly
	5. 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	Meadowlark/Cutthroat
5:30-7:30 pm	Hors d'oeuvres with exhibitors; Charity Silent Auction benefiting MLS/MLT Student Scholarships	Bitterroot/ Sapphire/ Ponderosa
Friday, May 8 th – 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.	6. Grizzly 7.Meadowlark/Cutthroat
	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	Bitterroot/ Sapphire/ Ponderosa
11:00 am-noon	8. Choosing the Correct ANA Technology - Dave Tomichek - Sponsored by BioRad	8. Grizzly 9.Meadowlark/Cutthroat
	9. H. pylori: Unmasking the silent infection - 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	Meadowlark/Cutthroat
1:30-2:30 pm	10. Are You a Business Owner? Or Does the Business Own You? – Jewell Zweegman. Sponsored by Billings Clinic	Meadowlark/Cutthroat
2:30-2:45 pm	Networking Break	
2:45-3:45 pm	11. Beyond Regulation: Legislative Forces and Federal Policy Shaping the Future of Clinical Laboratories – Anne Tate - Sponsored by ASCLS-MT	Meadowlark/Cutthroat
3:45-4:00 pm	Networking Break	
4:00-5:00 pm	12. Monsters, Myths, and Medicine: Scientific Explanations Behind Global Medical Folklore– Maria Rodriguez - Sponsored by ASCLS-MT	Meadowlark/Cutthroat
5:30-8:00 pm	Social: Game night at Fairmont's Golf – Pro Shop	
Saturday, May 9 th – Registration opens at 7:30am		
8:30-9:30 am	13. The 10-Minute Supply Room: Lean Systems That Transform Lab Inventory– Tracy Clarno - Sponsored by Bitterroot Health	Grizzly
9:30-9:45 am	Networking Break	
9:45-10:45 am	14. CBC with differential, optimizing the most ordered hematology test. – Dr. Simone Davion. Live Webinar – Sponsored by Billings Clinic	14.Meadowlark/Cutthroat 15. Grizzly
	15. 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	16. Closing Session- Health Equity and the Clinical Laboratory – Dr. Kyle Riding- ASCLS 2025-2026 President – Sponsored by ASCLS-MT	Meadowlark/Cutthroat