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**Scientific Speaker Schedule**

**Day 1- Saturday July 4 2026**

	<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Details</b>
1	8:00–08:10	Welcome & Opening Remarks	Nidal Moukaddam, MD, PhD (NAAMA President) Raed Al-Naser, MD (Convention Chair)	10 min No CME
2	8:10–08:35	A Brief Historical Review of Portuguese Medical Education	Sofia Reimão, MD, PhD Neuroradiology Santa Maria University Hospital	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
3	8:35- 9:00	Conflict-Responsive Clinical Mobility for Disrupted Medical Education: A Trinity College Dublin Initiative	Colin Doherty, MD  Neurology	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
4	9:00- 9:25	The Missing Curriculum: The Four Domains and Twelve Pillars of Professional Success in Medicine	Omar Lattouf, MD  Cardiothoracic Surgery	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
5	9:25- 10:00	<b>Keynote Address</b> <b>Conflict Medicine: The Cost of Duty</b>	<b>Mohammed Tahir, MD</b> <b>Orthopedic Surgery</b>	<b>30 min +</b> <b>5 min Q&amp;A</b> <b>0.5 CME</b>
	10:00– 10:15	Coffee Break		15 min
6	10:15– 10:40	From Clinic to Policy: A Role We Weren't Trained For	Ibrahim Sablaban, DO Psychiatry Addiction Medicine	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
7	10:40- 11:05	Pediatric Hospital Medicine: A Care Model, Not Just a Specialty	Zuhair Alsakaji, MD Pediatrics	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
8	11:05- 11:30	From a Facebook page to a global mission: The Journey of JAPA.	Maen Hussein Hematology-Oncology	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
9	11:30– 11:55	Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the Field of Psychiatry	Zina Meriden, MD Psychiatry Boca Raton, FL	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
10	11:55– 12:20	Management of Refractory Depression	Filipa Novais, MD  Psychiatry Lisboa, Portugal	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
11	12:20– 12:45	Functional Neurological Disorder: A Common Neuropsychiatric Condition Hiding in Plain Sight	Souraya Tourbey, MD  Psychiatry	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
12	12:45- 1:10	The Brain and Moral Foundations: Understanding Moral Diversity Through a Neuroscience Lens	Mamon Maiteh, MD  Neurology	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME

**Day 2 – Sunday, July 5, 2026**

	<b>Time</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Details</b>
1	08:00– 08:25	AI Role in Improving Outcomes in Complex Endovascular Aneurysm Repair	Mahmoud Malas, MD Vascular Surgery UC San Diego	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
2	08:25- 8:50	Robotics and AI in Surgery and Medicine	Raed Alnajjar, MD Cardiothoracic Surgery Henry Ford Medical Center	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
3	08:50- 9:15	The Modern Doctor and Algorithmic Conscience: Islamic Ethics in the Age of AI Medicine	Hassan Bencheqroun, MD, MBA Pulmonology San Diego, CA	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
4	09:15- 09:40	New Frontiers in Airway Disease: Asthma, COPD, and Emerging Therapies	Nicola Hanania, MD, MS Pulmonary Baylor	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
5	9:40- 10:05	<b>Plenary Speaker:</b> Improving Access to Care With an Intelligent Control Plane	Taha Kass-Hout Global Chief Science & Technology Officer of GE Health Care	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
	10:05–10:25	Coffee Break		20 min
6	10:25- 10:50	Exertional Dyspnea: VCD vs Asthma	Bassel Salman, MD  Pediatric Pulmonary	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
7	10:50- 11:15	Understanding Menopause and Metabolic Health in Arab American Women	Anna Cabeca, DO Obstetrics and Gynecology	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
8	11:15–11:40	Renal Cell Carcinoma: State of Research and Future Directions	Nizar Tannir, MD  Oncology	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
9	11:40–12:05	Minimally Invasive, Non-Surgical Management of Thyroid Tumors	Sina Jasim, MD  Endocrinology	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
10	12:05–12:30	Bad Liver, Good Liver	Rui Tato Marinho, MD Gastroenterology	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
11	12:30–12:55	Metabolic Syndrome: Evolution, Impact, Prognosis, and New Management	Tarek Hassanein, MD Gastroenterology San Diego, CA	20 min + 5 min Q&A 0.5 CME
Closing remarks				