



August News & Updates

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The heat wave continues, the children have returned to school, but NTSGNA is not slowing down. There are only 30 days left before registration closes, so what are you waiting for? Click the link now.

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Speakers in the Spotlight- Endoscopic Suturing, ION Robotics and Transoral Incisionless Fundoplication. Don't miss this event! Lots of great thing to learn about GI Innovation.



Anna Tavakkoli, M.D., M.Sc., is an Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine in the Division of Digestive and Liver Diseases at UT Southwestern Medical Center. She also holds a dual appointment in the Department of Population and Data Sciences at UT Southwestern. Dr. Tavakkoli earned her medical degree at the University of Florida, followed by a residency in internal medicine at Columbia University Medical Center in New York. She then completed fellowships in both general gastroenterology and advanced therapeutic endoscopy at the University of Michigan. During her gastroenterology training at Michigan, she also earned a master's degree in health care research. Dr. Tavakkoli's clinical interests include benign and malignant pancreaticobiliary diseases and endoscopic suturing. Her clinical expertise includes endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP), endoscopic ultrasound (EUS), endoscopic sleeve gastropasty (ESG), transoral outlet reduction (TORe) for weight regain after Roux-en-Y gastric bypass surgery, and endoscopic mucosal resection (EMR) of early cancers in the esophagus, stomach, and colon. Dr. Tavakkoli is also active in clinical



Kim Styrvoky, M.D., is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Internal Medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center. She specializes in diagnostic and therapeutic bronchoscopy, lung nodules, pleural diseases, and pulmonary complications of cancer. Dr. Styrvoky earned her medical degree at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. She completed her residency in internal medicine and fellowship in pulmonary and critical care medicine at UT Southwestern. Certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine in pulmonary medicine and critical care medicine, she joined the UT Southwestern faculty in 2016. Dr. Styrvoky is the Director of the Bronchoscopy Lab at Parkland Memorial Hospital. Among other roles at UT Southwestern, she serves as Co-Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine Wellness Committee, and she is involved in numerous clinical trials related to her areas of expertise. She has published several academic articles and is a member of the American College of Chest Physicians, the American Thoracic Society, and other professional organizations.



Tarek Sawas, M.D., is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Internal Medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center. He specializes in pancreaticobiliary diseases, bariatric endoscopy, esophageal cancer, and endoscopic resection. Dr. Sawas earned his medical degree at Damascus University Faculty of Medicine and completed a residency in internal medicine at Georgetown University Washington Hospital Center. He then performed fellowships in gastroenterology and hepatology and in advanced endoscopy, both at the Mayo Clinic. He also holds a Master of Public Health in epidemiology from Harvard University. Certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine in gastroenterology, Dr. Sawas joined the UT Southwestern faculty in 2020. Dr. Sawas' clinical practice includes endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP); endoscopic ultrasound (EUS); and endoscopy to treat weight gain, such as endoscopic sleeve gastropasty (ESG), transoral outlet reduction (TORe) in patients with weight regain after weight loss surgery (Roux-en-Y gastric bypass), and endoscopic mucosal resection to treat early cancer in a minimally

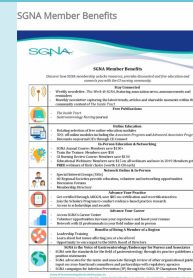
research with a focus on disparities in gastrointestinal malignancies, quality improvement of ERCP, and outcomes after ESG and TORe. She is a member of multiple professional organizations, including the American College of Gastroenterology and the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, where she also serves as a committee member. In addition, she is an ad-hoc reviewer for *Gastrointestinal Endoscopy*, *Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology*, *Gastroenterology*, and *VideoGIE*.

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- *Application for scholarship for both Nurses and Associate is available in our website.*
- *Application deadline for Nurses is April 1, 2022 - for Fall exam and November 30, 2022 - for Spring Exam.*
- *Application deadline for Associates is October 31, 2022*

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Upcoming Events

15th Annual NTSGNA Lonestar Roundup

September 10, 2022, Saturday 0700- 1700

Venue: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Dallas Richardson
1981 N. Central Expressway, Richardson TX 75080

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NTSGNA Last Hooray of the Year/Annual Meeting

November 5, 2022, Saturday 1200 - 1400

Venue/Sponsor: PureVu/Colowrap

Volunteer with Us!

Feed My Starving Children 1680 North Glenville Drive, Richardson Tx 75081.

Dates & time: September 24, 2022 - 11:15 am -1:15 pm

October 15, 2022 - 11:15 am-1:15 pm

Note: Packing dry foods in an indoor place.

Please email us if you are interested to volunteer: [Send us a message](#)



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