



## Greening the OR Symposium Agenda

Tuesday, April 27, 2010 • Westin Kierland • All events to take place in Rainmakers Ballroom

7:00 Breakfast, Coffee and Conversation

8:00 Welcome Remarks & Introduction –

*Robert Jarboe*, Executive Vice President, Business Development, Practice Greenhealth  
*Anna Gilmore-Hall*, Executive Director, Practice Greenhealth

**Opening Keynote: Why the Operation Room is Key to a Hospital's Sustainability Efforts**

*Dr. Rafael Andrade*, MD, Surgeon and Professor of Surgery, University of Minnesota Medical Center, Fairview.

9:00 Intervention Session #1: Winning Waste Reduction Strategies

- *Denise B. Choiniere*, MS, RN, Sustainability Manager, University of Maryland Medical Center - Culture Change & the OR, RMW Segregation & Reduction
- *Catherine Zimmer*, Healthcare Specialist, Minnesota Technical Assistance Program (MNTap) - Fluid Management Systems

10:00 Break with snacks and beverages

10:15 Intervention Session #2: Sustainability through Single Use Device Reprocessing

- *Jerry Cecelic*, Assistant Vice President, Corporate Integrity & Sustainability, HCA
- *Denise Robson*, RN MBA, Administrator, Surgical Services/Supply Resource Management, Catholic Healthcare West
- *Steven Perez*, VP Finance / Sustainability Officer, Methodist Medical Center Hospitals

11:30 Intervention Session #3: Indoor Air Quality, Energy, Lighting and the OR Environment

- *Arash Guity*, Associate Blue Environmental Performance Consulting, MNLB

12:15 Buffet Lunch: Informal setting to encourage conversation

- 1:00 Afternoon Keynote: Reducing Surgical Waste by Going Green (And We're Not Just Talking Trash!)**
- **Colonel George Nussbaum PhD, RN, CNOR**, Senior Facility Planner and Deputy Director Clinical and Research Support Services, National Intrepid Center of Excellence
- 1:45 Intervention Session #4: Greening OR Kits: Choosing to Use Reusables**
- **Crystal Saric-Bevins**, Coordinator, Waste Services and Waste Reduction, and **Lynn Thelen, RN**, Surgical Nurse, Fairview Health Services - Reviewing OR Packs at Fairview
  - **Nestor Jarquin**, Sourcing Manager, Kaiser Permanente – Choosing Reusables in the OR
- 3:00 Break with snacks and beverages**
- 3:15 Intervention Session #5: More Winning Waste Reduction Strategies**
- **Kai Abelkis**, Sustainability Coordinator, Boulder Community Hospital - Reusable Hard Cases for Surgery
  - **Christina Vernon**, Sr. Director, Sustainability and Environmental Strategy, Cleveland Clinic - Medical Plastics Recycling in the OR
- 4:30 Green Operating Room of the Future:** A facilitated audience forum to summarize feedback from the day and synthesize ideas about what the broader community must do to make these standard best practices in every OR in the country.
- 5:00 Adjourn**

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