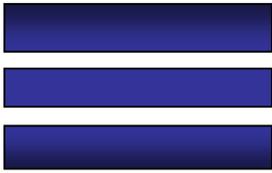


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Neurosurgeons' Annual Meeting to Feature Key Political and Health Policy Speakers

- What:** The 83rd Annual Meeting of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons (AANS)
- Where:** Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Ballroom AB
- When:** Sunday, May 3, 2015 to Wednesday, May 6, 2015 (specific speaker dates and times below)
- Who:** Key speakers, in order of appearance, include:
- **Benjamin S. Carson, Sr., MD**, is an emeritus professor of neurosurgery, oncology, plastic surgery, and pediatrics at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. He was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2008, the highest civilian honor in the land. Dr. Carson is expected to announce his candidacy for President of the United States. *Sunday, May 3 at 6:30 pm (via live video stream)*
 - **Jonathan Turley** is a lawyer, legal scholar, legal analyst and professor. Recognized as one of the nation's top legal advocates, Professor Turley has written on topics ranging from constitutional law to legal theory. He is the lead counsel in the House of Representatives' lawsuit challenging actions taken by the Obama Administration with respect to the implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). *Monday, May 4 at 11:30 am*
 - **James C. Capretta**, a senior fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center and a visiting fellow at the American Enterprise Institute, served for nearly 16 years in senior positions in the executive and legislative branches of the federal government. During his service, Mr. Capretta was responsible for programs such as Medicare and Medicaid. *Tuesday, May 5 at 9:45 am*
 - **Charles Krauthammer**, a Pulitzer Prize-winning syndicated columnist, political commentator and former physician, is known for his bold and original writing. Since 1985, Krauthammer has written a syndicated column for *The Washington Post*, is a contributing editor to *The Weekly Standard* and *The New Republic*, and appears nightly on *Special Report with Bret Baier*. *Tuesday, May 5 at 12:15 pm*

Additional Information:

Members of the news media are invited to attend. Press credentials and proper identification must be presented to AANS staff to receive a working press pass, which will enable you to receive a free badge at the meeting AANS Registration Desk. Please note, it will take at least 30 minutes prior to events to obtain credentials on sight so we highly recommend media to preregister by filling out the [Press Registration Form](#) and emailing it to adye@neurosurgery.org. To view the full schedule or for more information, visit the [AANS Annual Meeting webpage](#). Follow the AANS/CNS Washington Office on Twitter [@Neurosurgery](#) and by using #AANS2015.

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