

## Call for Interesting Case Submissions: 2026 UAB/AJS Best Practices in Endocrine Surgery

We're excited to invite you to contribute to what will be one of the most energizing parts of the **Best Practices in Endocrine Surgery Summit: The Interesting Cases Session**, taking place on **Friday, September 18, 2026**.

This session celebrates the real-world puzzles that shape endocrine surgical practice. If you've managed a case that made you pause, rethink, or teach, we'd love to see it submitted.

### Submission Guidelines

- **Abstract length:** Up to **250 words**
- **Visuals:** No figures or tables
- **Titles:**
  - Craft a title that *sparks curiosity* without revealing the ultimate diagnosis or plot twist
  - Please avoid abbreviations
  - Do not list authors or institutions
- **Required abstract structure:**
  - Brief background
  - Clinical course
  - **Up to three key teaching points** to close
- **Originality:**
  - Cases must be original and must **not** have been published or presented at any **national or international** meeting
  - Work previously shared **locally** may still be submitted
- **Eligibility:**
  - Two case submissions per presenter
  - All submissions will be considered for **podium presentation**
  - **Presenters should be at the senior resident, fellow or attending level** in order to foster robust discussion
- **Exceptional Case Presentations**
  - Will be offered the opportunity to publish in AJS
  - The presenters will be considered for travel awards

### What Makes a Great Submission?

We encourage cases that offer, for example

- Diagnostic dilemmas that challenged your typical algorithm
- Operative decision points with competing, nuanced options
- Unanticipated findings that altered management
- Any scenario that made the team say, “We need to talk about this.”

If your case sharpened your practice, or could sharpen someone else's, this is the session for it.

## How do I submit my case study?

Please submit your abstract (up to 250 words) to UAB Division of Breast & Endocrine Surgery Assistant Professor Dr. Andrea Gillis via email to [agillis@uabmc.edu](mailto:agillis@uabmc.edu).