



American Society of Anesthesiologists

ASA BOD-HOD 2015 Report

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ASA Organization

Overall Governance

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Section on Professional Affairs:

The VA Issue




Report of VP Professional Affairs

- population health. Population health may be defined as the health and health outcomes of a group of individuals, often clustered according to geography, employer or insurer. Health and health outcomes are driven by delivery of healthcare and by individual behavioral, genetic, social, physical and economic factors. Our current FFS model, where payment is focused upon delivery of a service, will change to one where an episode of care is viewed as a cost center




Committee on POM

Committee on Performance and Outcomes Measurement: Annual Report

- Comment: Testimony indicated concern regarding the quality measure generation process, but broader discussion affirmed that the current process is effective and also under continuing improvement. Testimony indicated that the House of Delegates and ASA members have had, and will continue to have, the opportunity for input in the performance measure development process. When developing measures, the Committee on Performance Outcomes Measurement utilizes committee expertise as well as additional resources (e.g. other committees, Anesthesia Quality Institute, methodologists).




Committee on Ethics

- Comment:** Testimony was heard concerning the *ASA Guidelines for the Ethical Practice of Anesthesiology*, specifically that all ASA members are reminded that the ASA Ethical Guideline includes point number 5: “Physician anesthesiologists should provide preoperative evaluation care and should facilitate the process of informed decision-making, especially regarding the choice of anesthetic technique” regardless of whether the physician anesthesiologist is personally performing, medically directing, or supervising care.




QMDA

- Deep Sedation standards**
- 5. The committee recommends that the Statement on Documentation of Anesthesia Care (2013), which appears in redacted and clean format in this handbook as reports 411-2.5 and 411-2.6, respectively, be approved as revised.**




Committee on Future Models of Anesthesia Practice: Interim Report

- Approved the recommendation that the ASA president engage with the president of the ABA to jointly appoint a committee to critically examine and redesign residency and fellowship training, with the intention of preparing trainees in anesthesiology to meet the healthcare needs of the future through expanded education and training in perioperative medicine.**




Committee on Scientific Affairs

- Comment:** Testimony supported the charge and work of the Task Force on Environmental Sustainability, and acknowledges the value and ongoing need for future activity.
- Approval of the amended document *Statement on Nonobstetric Surgery During Pregnancy*, found in redacted and clean versions in this handbook as reports 526-3.3 and 526-3.4, respectively.**
- Approval of the amended document *Statement on Pain Relief During Labor*, found in redacted and clean versions in this handbook as reports 526-3.6 and 526-3.7, respectively.**




Committee on Scientific Affairs

- Approved the recommendation to appoint Evan D. Kharasch, M.D., Ph.D., to the position of Anesthesiology editor-in-chief.**
- Jim Eisenbach was appointed as CEO of FAER**




Committee on Finance

- Comment:** Richard P. Dutton, M.D., M.B.A., is to be commended for his leadership as Executive Director of the Anesthesia Quality Institute (AQI) and for the spirit of innovation and commitment to quality that he brought to AQI and ASA in this role.
- Comment:** The committee would like to recognize Denham S. Ward, M.D., Ph.D., for his many years of service to the Foundation for Anesthesia Education and Research.




The Committee on Global Humanitarian Outreach (GHO)

- ❑ Expand the Lifebox program to provide pulse oximeters to countries in need in Central and South America.
- ❑ Approve the Global Scholars Program, which would provide support for young leaders in the specialty of anesthesiology from low and middle-income countries to attend the 2015 ASA Annual Meeting.
- ❑ Support the Resident International Scholarship Program, establishing one-month resident scholarships to help CA1 and CA2 residents learn the international practice of anesthesia in a pediatric orthopedic hospital in Ethiopia.



Academic Caucus: Enhanced Alignment with the ASA

- ❑ There are currently a total of 5 geographic Caucuses at the ASA
- ❑ This new caucus would be to serve as a body of thought leaders in academic anesthesiology that will interact with the leadership of the ASA
- ❑ This new caucus will identify issues that are of vital importance to academic anesthesiology and will convey them to the ASA leadership.

