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STATEMENT OF POSITION

THE ANESTHESIA CARE TEAM

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The Louisiana Society of Anesthesiologists (LSA or Society) fully supports and endorses the American Society of Anesthesiologists' (ASA) Statement on the Anesthesia Care Team Approved by the ASA House of Delegates on October 26, 1982 and last amended on October 17, 2018. The full text of that statement can be found [here](#).

Quoting the most relevant passage of that document:

“In the interests of patient safety and quality of care, the American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) believes that all patients deserve the involvement of a physician anesthesiologist in their perioperative care.”

Members of the LSA being dedicated to providing the best possible care to their patients are expected at all times to support practice consistent with this statement. Members of the LSA ought to be able to articulate reasonable support for this concept in the name of patient safety and quality of care.