

If you have an established anesthesia interest group (AIG), please let us know who is serving as the President or Chair so that we may ensure our records are up to date.

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Time to [renew your ASA Membership for 2019!](#)

Dear Medical Student Members,

I invite you to join the American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) if you are considering anesthesiology as a specialty. As medical students, we typically are not exposed to anesthesiology early in our training. For anyone even remotely contemplating the specialty, medical student membership in the ASA is a must!

We are faced with an abundance of information during medical school and the ability to sort and process that information effectively is crucial to our success. Conversations regarding future specialty selections abound amongst us as we prepare for residency, so having a reputable source of information is critical to making informed decisions. Anesthesiologists do so much more than just administer anesthesia — they serve as an advocate for patient safety and work as part of a collaborative team to provide effective care and treatment in the operating room and throughout the critical perioperative period.

[By becoming a member of ASA](#), you are joining more than 53,000 members (over 1,700 of which are medical students) of the premier society dedicated to anesthesiology. Obtaining student membership is simple and only costs \$10 per year. Your home anesthesiology department might even be willing to fund the cost of your membership. [Join](#) today!

ASA provides a wealth of educational resources, networking/mentorship opportunities, and advocacy efforts. Membership includes a guide on **how to build an anesthesiology interest group** at your school, a career guide to anesthesiology, **video interviews with program directors**, newsletters, **free admission to the ASA ANESTHESIOLOGY® Annual Meeting** (including a program director meet-and-greet), and much more!

For questions regarding membership, [contact Member Services](#) or visit the [ASA Medical Student Component](#) website to learn more about these fantastic resources.

On behalf of ASA and your fellow medical student colleagues, thank you for considering membership in the professional home of anesthesiology.

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