

The Value of High-Quality Anesthesiology in Your OR

THE USAP DIFFERENCE

Anesthesia is not a commodity. High-quality anesthesia, across multiple dimensions of clinical care and business efficiency, generates significant value for healthcare systems through consistency of daily operations, retention of clinical staff, and the ability to grow.

U.S. Anesthesia Partners (USAP) is a national, single-specialty, physician-led, private practice committed to being the best in our business. A decade of investment gives us resources that enable us to:

- Advance patient safety
- Help operate cost-efficient facilities
- Empower local clinical leaders

Our hospital partners benefit from USAP's performance improvement infrastructure, cutting-edge clinical education, leadership training, and national perspective—all leading to measurable, positive results.

CLINICAL EXCELLENCE

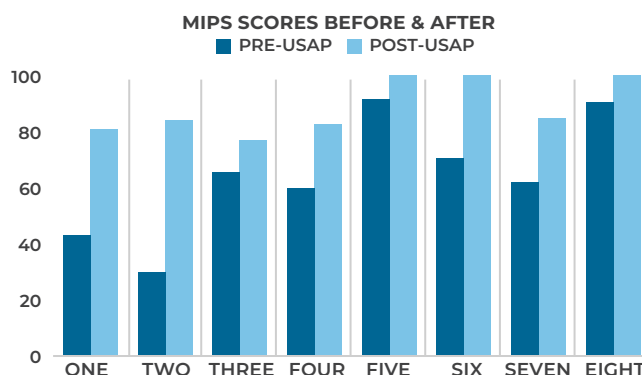
When it comes to your operating room, your anesthesia team serves a pivotal role not only in caring for your patient—it also enables every other specialty to get its work done. When it comes to anesthesia care, one name stands above the rest for its clinical performance—USAP. We serve and help the sustainability of the largest hospitals in the country due in large part to five key USAP attributes:

- **Exceptional talent:** We recruit, hire, and retain clinicians from the highest tier of residencies and Fellowships. This is important in an ever-shrinking pool of available clinical talent.
- **Elevated standards:** We require initial and ongoing Board Certification for every new hire.
- **Sub-specialty focus:** We support and employ sub-specialty experts in cardiac, pediatric, obstetric, and regional anesthesia.
- **Comprehensive care:** Our clinicians cover the full range of procedural care, from cardiac surgery to pediatric MRI scans to acute trauma.
- **Navigating complexity:** We routinely care for the sickest patients having the most complex procedures.

ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE THROUGH MEASUREMENT

USAP routinely tracks more than 20 clinical performance measures from every case, every day. Our clinicians have continuous access to this data, measurable performance against national benchmarks, and a real-time national network of experts to assist and advise.

We deliver performance scorecards to hospital and system partners on a quarterly basis, covering dozens of clinical, operational, and patient satisfaction metrics. Routinely ranking in the 90th percentile of national performance under the federal Merit-based Incentive Payment System, we have always had perfect scores for the "Improvement Activity" component.



The above graph shows before and after MIPS scores for eight large anesthesia groups before & after they joined USAP. USAP improves clinical quality.

As a federally designated Patient Safety Organization, the combination of our big-data infrastructure and our close review of individual cases contributes to continuous and evidence-based improvement in clinical care.

USAP is a leader in efficient preoperative patient preparation, service-line enhanced recovery protocols, transfusion management, responsible use of expensive medications, and acute pain services. We seek to include value-based incentives in every agreement and are the only anesthesia practice in the country that routinely benefits from incentives tied to:

- Reducing readmissions
- Decreasing postoperative opioid use
- Using OR time efficiently

INCREASING PATIENT ENGAGEMENT AND SATISFACTION

USAP's process for patient engagement is unprecedented. We solicit feedback from every patient we care for and use the results for continuous clinician education and collaboration with our surgeons and facilities. Demonstrating improvement over time in measured patient satisfaction correlates with improvement in patient satisfaction scores for our hospital partners.

OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY

The same data infrastructure that fuels exceptional clinical outcomes enables USAP to run an effective business. While anesthesia reimbursement is complex, our expertise at revenue cycle management differentiates our practice.

We closely align with facility leadership to staff and operate procedural units efficiently and we bring a suite of analytic resources and experienced operators to this process. USAP has partnered with hundreds of hospitals to optimize staffing and scheduling. Elimination of waste creates the opportunity for your growth.

USAP is committed to partnership in new ventures, ranging from new non-operating room procedural units to free-standing ASCs and Surgical Hospitals.

ON-SITE, PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP

Every USAP facility has a designated Site Chief. This anesthesiologist, in tandem with a USAP business leader, is responsible for direct contribution to daily operations and the future growth of the facility. Site Chiefs are selected for their leadership and relationship skills. USAP provides them with access to a wealth of national data and expertise, as well as a curriculum in everything from account management to holding difficult conversations.

The Site Chief is the key link that brings together local knowledge and national infrastructure of USAP, giving facility and health system leaders the single point of contact they need to manage the breadth of their procedural business.

INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP AND MENTORSHIP

At the national level, USAP physicians lead in the American Society of Anesthesiologists, the Anesthesia Patient Safety Foundation, in advocacy efforts for our profession, and in consultation to organizations ranging from CMS to the White House.

USAP physicians serve as medical school professors, elected state representatives, state Medical Board Chairpersons, and hospital Chief Medical Officers. We are committed to leadership both in our chosen profession and in the House of Medicine at large. These efforts, and the influence it gives us, benefit our patients, our practice, and our hospital partners in guiding the future of medicine.

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