

IASCA NEWSLETTER

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Benefits of IASCA Membership

Annual Conference

Designed to provide training and education for you and your staff, including CE's for nursing licensure.

Networking Opportunities

Join our private Facebook page to share insights, participate in polls, see Q&A.

Access to Idaho's greatest ASC leaders

The current board has 100+ years of experience in direct care and management of ASC's.

Advocacy with local and state officials for all ASC's

A portion of your membership dues pay for our state lobbyist to educate congressional leaders about ASC's and the benefit we provide to our patients.

See last page for membership rates.

Dear Surgery Center teams:

Idaho ASC leaders are facing new challenges such as finding and keeping good staff, added regulations, and reduced reimbursement. I was once a new leader in a similar environment and IASCA was a great resource that provided support, knowledge and mentorship. My hope is for you to have the same access I had and to feel supported as you continue your journey at your ambulatory surgery center.

I highly encourage you to reach out and join IASCA. Membership dues are paid annually through a tiered structure based on your annual number of cases. As an added benefit to you, every facility that joins IASCA in 2023 will be allowed to send a member of their team to the annual conference, free of charge!

Thank you for providing excellent care to your patients. Together we can make a difference!

All my best,
Lonna Welch
President of IASCA, 2022-2024



Save the Date! IASCA Annual Conference

September 21-22, 2023
Hilton Garden Inn, Boise, ID



Celebrating

25 YEARS

of serving Idaho ASC's

2023 Annual Conference *Leadership: Precision & Performance*

September 21

8:00 Opening remarks
9:00 AORN/Infection Control
10:00 Paul Butler, Keynote Speaker
12:00 Lunch
1:00 Paul Butler, Keynote Speaker
3:00 Human Resources Best Practices
4:00 Legislative Updates
6:00 Networking Social @ Local Brewery

September 22

8:00 Breakfast/Business meeting
9:00 Leadership Roundtable
10:00 How to be a Leader
11:00 CMS/State updates
12:00 Lunch
1:00 Motivating and Keeping Employees
2:00 Anesthesia 102
3:00 Closing Remarks

JOIN IASCA TODAY!

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# of 2022 Cases	2023 Fee
0-1000	\$ 450.00
1000-1499	\$ 500.00
1500-1999	\$ 600.00
2000-2499	\$ 750.00
2500-2999	\$ 900.00
3000-3999	\$ 1,050.00
4000-4999	\$ 1,250.00
5000-5999	\$ 1,550.00
6000-6999	\$ 1,850.00
10000+	\$ 2,500.00

Keynote Speaker Paul Butler

Leadership for a Lifetime:
How the Past Prepares Us
for the Future





Q&A

Q: Does anyone know of an upcoming emergency preparedness meeting or workshop? Kristen R.

A: The Greater Idaho Healthcare Coalition is holding their Regional Readiness Rendezvous on April 4-5th, 2023 at ISU. See our Facebook page for additional information.

You can also contact your county health department or department of emergency management to get involved with their disaster preparedness coalition. They can set up MOUs between your organization and the county.

Q: Does anyone know if open toe shoes are allowed to be worn by administrative employees? Is that something that would be dictated by CMS/JC/AAHC/AAAFS? Pain Care of Boise

A: There aren't any standards that dictate footwear worn by administrative employees, however, CMS/JC/AAHC/AAAFS will confirm if your organization has a policy and if it is being followed.

Q: What is the regulation for corrugated boxes in non-patient storage areas? Ashley R.

A: The rule of thumb is any outside packaged corrugation is a no-go regardless of storage room. AAAASF does not allow corrugated boxes in any area in the surgery center. Depending on the condition of the boxes, it can also be flagged as a reason for immediate jeopardy.

Q: What do you do with a cash pay surgeon who under-books his surgeries?

A: You might consider scheduling, booking, and billing based upon historic times, and not requested times. Historic data can be re-evaluated quarterly and shared with the provider and his scheduling staff.

Check out our new logo!



Have a question?

Post it on our private Facebook group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1145397512973437>

Responses are from members of IASCA. Please make sure to follow your internal policies and standards as dictated by CMS and your accrediting organization.

Adding A New Specialty To Your Surgery Center

ASC Administrators are always looking to maximize profitability out of their existing ASCs, and adding on a new specialty is one of the frequent ways to use downtime in the OR to generate new revenue. New medical procedures usually require additional equipment needs that can add up quickly making ROI more difficult or take some time.

Benefits of Rentals

With a rental, you can TEST your new specialty prior to making a large capital investment. For a fraction of the cost, you can acquire the equipment you need to bring on the new specialty, all the while saving capital that can be put to work in other aspects of your business.

A rental also allows you to test out different makes and models of equipment to find out if it will meet your specific needs prior to committing to ownership.

Fixed Operating Costs

With a medical device rental from Rentals MD, the monthly rental fee includes all repairs and maintenance at no additional costs. This allows you to use the monthly rental fee as a fixed operating cost for your yearly budget, and never have to worry about spending more than that.

Rent to Own Option

Rentals MD allows you to apply 50% of each months rental towards the purchase of the rental system or a system of equal or greater value. This allows you keep costs low when starting the new specialty, but when volumes and profitability hit the point where it makes sense to purchase the equipment you now have equity that you can use as large down payment on the purchase of the existing system or an upgraded model.

For more information go to:
<https://www.rentalsmd.com/request-a-rental-quote/>



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