



LEGISLATIVE DAY 2022

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

Welcome: President of NYSSA: **Dr. Jung (Ted) Kim**

Introductions: **Dr. Jonathan (Jon) Gal**

Government and Legal Affairs Committee Chair

Presentation by:

Stuart Hayman, NYSSA Executive Director

Chuck Assini, , Legislative Counsel

Bob Reid, Shauneen McNally, Marcy Savage, Kayla

Bogdanowicz, and Elizabeth Reid

NYSSA Legislative Representatives and Lobbyists

2022 Political Landscape



**Governor
Kathy Hochul (D)**



**Senate Majority Leader
and President Pro Tempore
Andrea Stewart-Cousins (D)**

43 Democrats
20 Republicans



**Assembly Speaker
Carl E. Heastie (D)**

105 Democrats
43 Republicans
1 Independent

2022 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES



SUPPORT

Equal Access to Physician Led or Physician Provided Anesthesia Title and Scope of Practice for Nurse Anesthetists Bill **S0987 (Gaughran) / A6986 (Bichotte Hermelyn)**

2022 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES



OPPOSE

Nurse Anesthetist Collaborative Practice Bill
A7268A (Gottfried)/ S5435B (Cooney)

**A6986 / S987 (Bichotte
Hermelyn / Gaughran)**

DESCRIPTION

- Grants title to nurse anesthetists (CRNA) & states scope of practice consistent with NYS Dep't of Health regulations now in place (physician led anesthesia care team)
- Physician anesthesiologist immediately available & physically present – medical intervention for patient safety
- Guarantees same level of anesthesia care currently in place no matter patient's payor status or location / type of facility

**A7268A / S5435B (Gottfried /
Cooney)**

DESCRIPTION

- Grants title to nurse anesthetists (CRNA) under collaboration model & states scope of practice to engage in all facets of anesthesia care - no physician anesthesiologist involved
- Collaborative physician need not be a physician anesthesiologist nor immediately available nor present for medical intervention
- NO guarantee of same level of anesthesia care no matter patient's payor status or location / type of facility

**A6986 / S987 (Bichotte Hermelyn /
Gaughran)**

Reasons to SUPPORT

- Preserves direct involvement of physician anesthesiologist in all aspects of care
- Preserves existing anesthesia standards of care - guarantees the unprecedented safe level of anesthesia care will continue
- Level of anesthesia care for all NYS patients will be the same no matter patient's payor status, economic considerations, location / type of facility

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Cooney)**

Reasons to OPPOSE

- Creates a collaborative model which never has been tested in NYS
- Lowers the present, time tested high standard of anesthesia care voids NYS Health Code in place for about 30 years
- Creates a two-tier delivery system of model of care based on patient's payor status, economic considerations, location / type of facility

THE BASICS



Zoom Meeting Tips:

- ❑ **Zoom Username:** Please ensure that your name on your Zoom account is your First and Last Name and your institution
- ❑ Keep your microphone muted unless you are speaking
- ❑ Have a team leader who calls on everyone for introductions
- ❑ Don't talk about issues you would not want overheard
- ❑ Don't put information in the chat you would not want others to see

What is a Visit with a Legislator Like?



- Meeting will last approximately 15 -20 minutes
- You may meet with the legislator or a staff member
- Legislators/staff wants to know what's important to the constituents from their district

HOOK, LINE & SINKER



- **Hook** – who you are (5 minutes)
- **Line** – local stories / stats (5 minutes)
- **Sinker** – the “asks” Support/Oppose (10 minutes)

....And leave them with a personal story

Activities that You Can Do Post-Lobby Day



Letters

- Send a follow up letter to your legislators thanking them for today's meeting and reminding them of any commitments that they made

Phone Calls

- CALL YOUR LOCAL STATE SENATOR (518) 455-2800- Senate Switchboard *and*
- YOUR ASSEMBLY MEMBER (518) 455-4100- Assembly Switchboard and remind them about NYSSA's legislative priorities this session.