Support:

- Medical office regulations that are fair, reasonable, appropriate and based on factual medical evidence

Oppose:

- Arbitrary, mandatory regulations that are not supported by medical evidence

**Medical Office Accreditation.** ASDSA members providing surgical and procedural services utilizing anesthesia that significantly impairs the patient's life protective reflexes should have demonstrated competencies in moderate and deep sedation and airway management.

Achieving accreditation by an appropriate agency is one method to demonstrate facility preparedness and staff competency.

The use of minimal to moderate sedation, as defined by the American Society of Anesthesiologists, with local, dilute local (also called tumescent anesthesia), oral or IM analgesia is specifically omitted from such requirements.

**Adverse Patient Incident Data.** ASDSA supports the passage of state legislation and/or the implementation of state regulations calling for the mandatory reporting of adverse patient incidents. Such reporting should be based on the well-regarded Florida Board of Medicine reporting requirements.

ASDSA supports state legislation and/or state regulation to ensure that adequate privacy protections are adopted along with reporting regulations so that members and other office-based physicians are not made vulnerable to malpractice challenges unnecessarily.

**Office-Based Anesthesia.** Regulations pertaining to the use of anesthesia services in medical offices must be evidenced-based.

ASDSA recognizes that the majority of deaths and injuries associated with surgery in the office setting have occurred during the performance of multiple procedures in one sitting under general anesthesia. ASDSA supports regulations of these techniques in the office setting.

**References:**


