

Patient Consent Form – Use of an Anesthesiologist Assistant

I have been provided notice by _____, the supervising osteopathic anesthesiologist assigned to my care, that said supervising osteopathic anesthesiologist uses the services of an anesthesiologist assistant.

I have also been provided notice that the anesthesiologist assistant assigned to my care is _____ and said anesthesiologist assistant holds a valid (full) or (temporary) license issued by the Nevada State Board of Osteopathic Medicine.

I have been notified and informed of the following:

- 1) An anesthesiologist assistant is **not** a physician and provides anesthesia care to a patient only under the constant medical direction of a supervising osteopathic anesthesiologist.
- 2) An anesthesiologist assistant holding a temporary license has not passed the required certification examination administered by the National Commission for Certification of Anesthesiologist Assistants as of the date of issuance of said temporary license.
- 3) An anesthesiologist assistant shall, when engaged in professional duties, identify himself or herself as an anesthesiologist assistant if holding a full license or as a “Graduate Anesthesiologist Assistant” or “Anesthesiologist Assistant Graduate” if holding a temporary license, and wear a placard, plate or insignia which identifies him or her as such.
- 4) An anesthesiologist assistant may perform the following duties and responsibilities as delegated by and under the supervision of a supervising osteopathic anesthesiologist, including, without limitation:
 - (a) Developing and implementing an anesthesia care plan for a patient;
 - (b) Obtaining the comprehensive health history of a patient, performing relevant elements of a physical examination of a patient and recording relevant data;
 - (c) Ordering and performing preoperative and postoperative anesthetic patient evaluations and consultations and maintaining progress notes;
 - (d) Subject to the limitations for [Nevada Revised Statute \(NRS\) 453.375](#), possessing and administering preoperative and perioperative medications, including, without limitation, controlled substances, administering anesthetic agents, related pharmaceutical agents, fluid and blood products and adjunctive treatment, for purposes of:

(1) Maintaining and altering the levels of anesthesia and providing continuity of anesthetic care into and during the postoperative recovery period;

(2) The continuation of perioperative medications;

(3) Performing general anesthesia, including, without limitation, induction, maintenance, emergence and other procedures associated with general anesthesia;

(4) Administering vasoactive drugs and starting and titrating vasoactive infusions to treat a response of a patient to anesthesia; and

(5) Administering postoperative sedation, anxiolysis or analgesia medication to treat patient responses to anesthesia;

(e) Entering in the medical record of a patient verbal or written medication chart orders prescribed by the supervising osteopathic anesthesiologist;

(f) Changing or discontinuing an anesthesia care plan after consulting with the supervising osteopathic anesthesiologist;

(g) Obtaining informed consent from a patient or the parent or guardian of the patient, as applicable, for the administration of anesthesia or related procedures;

(h) Pretesting and calibrating anesthesia delivery systems and obtaining information from such systems and from monitors;

(i) Implementing medically accepted monitoring techniques;

(j) Establishing airway interventions and performing ventilatory support, including, without limitation, endotracheal intubation, laryngeal mask insertion and other advanced airway techniques;

(k) Establishing peripheral intravenous lines, including, without limitation, the use of subcutaneous lidocaine, and performing invasive procedures, including, without limitation, the placement of arterial lines, central lines and Swan-Ganz catheters;

(l) Performing, maintaining, evaluating and managing epidural, spinal and regional anesthesia, including, without limitation, catheters;

(m) Performing monitored anesthesia care;

(n) Conducting laboratory and other related studies, including, without limitation, taking blood samples and administering blood, blood products and supportive fluids;

(o) Performing, ordering and interpreting preoperative, point-of-care, intraoperative or postoperative diagnostic testing or procedures;

(p) Monitoring the patient while in the preoperative suite, recovery area or labor suites and making postanesthesia rounds;

(q) Participating in administrative, research and clinical teaching activities, including, without limitation, supervising student anesthesiologist assistants and students involved in anesthesia training;

(r) Initiating and managing cardiopulmonary resuscitation in response to a life-threatening situation; and

(s) Performing such other tasks that are not otherwise prohibited by law and in which the anesthesiologist assistant has been trained and is competent.

5) An anesthesiologist assistant shall not prescribe any controlled substance or any dangerous drug, as defined in [NRS 454.201](#).

6) An anesthesiologist assistant may not perform any duties which are outside the scope of the duties assigned to the anesthesiologist assistant by the supervising osteopathic anesthesiologist or delegate any medical care task assigned to the anesthesiologist assistant by the supervising osteopathic anesthesiologist to any other person.

Having been notified of the above information, I hereby consent to the use of an anesthesiologist assistant for my care.

Patient Signature

Signature Date

Patient Printed Name

If applicable:

Guardian Signature

Signature Date

Guardian Printed Name