

Office-Based Anesthesia: Gaps in knowledge

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Objectives

- Recognize the increased variety of office-based procedures
- Understand clinical practice differences in the office-based setting
- Define office-based anesthesia policies & administrative issues



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Clinical Gaps

- Outpatient vs inpatient
- Appropriate Patient selection
- Types of Procedures
- Drugs (how to obtain, storage of controlled substances)
- Physician board certification
- COVID considerations



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Facility Gaps

- Facility accreditation
- Non-OR based anesthetizing location
- Staff scheduling
- Gas scavenging
- Equipment logistics, storage, cleaning
- ACLS resuscitative equipment



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Administrative Gaps

- Documentation
- Patient PACU recovery
- Payment structure
- Transfer of patients in emergency
- Quality monitoring



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