



Pros and Cons of Transitioning to Office-Based Practice
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Disclosures

- None

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Learning Objectives

- Describe situations which may make you consider a transition
- Describe **advantages** of an office practice
- Describe **disadvantages** of owning, running, or being a part of an office practice
- Describe a typical day in an office practice

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Why Transition

- Businesses (not doctors) are running hospitals and anesthesia practices
- CRNA Supervision 1:2 now 1:4
- Corporatization of hospital practices, policies and procedures which might not align with yours

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Advantages to OBA

- NO CALL
- Work schedule and hours within your control
- Better work life balance
- YOU CHOOSE Surgeons and proceduralists
- YOU CHOOSE Case types
- YOU CHOOSE patient population

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Disadvantages to OBA

- Business side: lack of training in business, contracts, HR, record management ...(SAMBA network to help you through these waters)
- Marketing/office acquisition and retention (entrepreneurial spirit)
- No anesthesia back-up (Create your own by hiring or training assistants for emergency)
- No breaks or lunch relief (You create your schedule)

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Typical Day

- Load car and drive to office
- Meet assistant at office, unload, set-up for case(arrive ~30min ahead of start time)
- Greet patient/family in reception area: PE,Consent
- Walk to procedure room: monitors,IV, case...
- End of case bring family to room: discharge instructions, payment, assist to car.
- Turnover room and repeat
- Personally I try to be finished each day by 3pm to pick up daughter from school :)

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Thank you!

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