

Hello members of the FSA,

Like many of you, I am sad that we could not all be together at the Breakers this year and will miss connecting with old friends and making new ones. I am deeply committed to the success of our society and to the safety of our patients and families in the future and wish to continue working to further the goals of your FSA. I am running for the position of Assistant Treasurer as well as Delegate to the ASA. I feel I am ready to take the next step and respectfully ask for your support to allow me to continue to work for you and those you care about.

I am a native Floridian and I grew up in Ocala. I received my undergraduate degree at UF, completed medical school at Miami ('99), and completed anesthesia residency and CT fellowship at Emory. I joined my practice in Orlando in 2006 and still reside there with my wife and two children. My main role in our group has been to help create the heart/lung transplant program at Florida Hospital in Orlando and serve as a director for the last ten years. In my spare time I like golf, biking (mostly indoor), snowboarding, college football, and building Legos with my kids, Jacob and Alyssa.

I was active in organized medicine back in medical school and held several leadership positions. My interest was rekindled several years ago and now leads me to seek a role in the leadership of the FSA. I have served on the board of directors for the last several years as an alternate delegate to the ASA, have attended all ASA meetings, and have sat as a delegate on a few occasions. I'm fortunate to have time allocated by my group to attend all future ASA, FSA, and ASA Legislative conferences (thank you!), so I plan on continuing to attend all those meetings. My biggest areas of interest have been on the legislative side. I've served on the FSA Legislative Committee for the last several years, traveled to Tallahassee and Washington to lobby for our specialty, and recently helped draft our resolution to the FMA on transparency in medical titles. Like many of you, I spend time meeting with legislators to develop the relationships we need to provide the best care to our patients. I also serve on my group's national legislative committee – helping to coordinate our fight against bad out-of-network legislation, among other issues. Currently I am obtaining my MBA from UF (completing in 2021) and hope to use that new knowledge to help our society in the future.

This year has been very tumultuous for all of us both personally and professionally. While the nurse practitioners did gain some independence, it was limited to primary care. It is a testament to the hard work of FSA leadership, coupled with your support, that anesthesia was not included in this legislation. Going forward, these are a few of the things that I believe will be important to us:

- CRNA independent practice – continue to protect physician-led anesthesia
- Surprise Billing – continue to fight for a fair national solution, as well as fixing our state laws
- Medicaid Reimbursement – build upon our epidural increase
- Membership – continue to increase our membership levels
- Social Media – expand our recent efforts to increase the visibility of our members to the public

I have learned a great deal from our FSA leaders, and with your vote, I hope to continue bettering our society by working beside Christian, Frank, Leo, Brence, Chris, Asha and the entire Board of Directors.

Thank you for your time and interest. Without the support of our membership, the FSA would not be able to achieve anything. Unfortunately, we cannot meet in person, but I humbly ask for your support and promise to do everything I can to achieve the goals you set for us.

Please stay safe, health, and happy.

Warmest Regards,

Jared