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How long have you been a CRNA? Do you specialize? Do you have a favorite type of anesthesia/surgeries? Describe your practice?

I have been a CRNA for 25 years. I specialize in outpatient anesthesia and interventional pain management. I started my own solo outpatient office anesthesia practice shortly after finishing my Anesthesia Residency in 1989. My group is diverse and has expanded to include CRNAs and MDs .

Why do you support the Foundation?

I believe in supporting our nurse anesthesia future through the goals of research, education, and development.

Share a career highlight or your proudest accomplishment.

My proudest moment I think came when my group STAT Anesthesia Specialists, Ltd., became the FIRST itinerant anesthesia group in the world to obtain Joint Commission accreditation meeting the requirements for Ambulatory Health Care Accreditation Program in 2008.

What does being professionally involved mean to you?

I have served my state association as a board member and the President for 2 separate terms.

What do you like most about your job?

Autonomy and immediate satisfaction in providing pain relief for patients whether it be in or out of the OR administering anesthesia or providing chronic pain management injections and care.

What are your future goals?

To get a Master's Degree.

How do you spend your free time? What are your hobbies and interests?

Spend as much time with my family and children. I enjoy coaching youth baseball, biking, and playing hockey.