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Dear Gan,

**ASA Endorsement of Postoperative Nausea and Vomiting Consensus Guidelines**

The Australian Society of Anaesthetists (ASA) is the peak body and leading representative of the professional and economic interests of Australian anaesthetists. The ASA was established in 1934, and represents Australian anaesthetists ensuring the high standards of the profession.

Thank you for approaching the ASA to endorse the 4<sup>th</sup> edition Consensus Guidelines for the Management of Postoperative Nausea and Vomiting. We consider them to be a very comprehensive consensus document. However, there are some discrepancies with regard to Australian practice. Despite this, I am pleased to inform you that the ASA consensus is to support and endorse the guidelines.

In order to facilitate implementation and uptake amongst Australian anaesthetists, we seek permission to disseminate an Executive Summary to our members. This Executive Summary would include the necessary changes to the names of medications or procedures to fit with Australian medical practice. It would be a simplified document to assist our members and naturally we would attribute appropriate authorship and share any draft with the Board of Directors of the American Society for Enhanced Recovery (ASER) or T. J. Gan, M.D. prior to dissemination.

If you require any further information or would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Jacintha Victor John, Policy Manager on (02) 8556 9720 or via email [jvictorjohn@asa.org.au](mailto:jvictorjohn@asa.org.au) in the first instance.

Yours sincerely,



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