



Press Release

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Greater San Antonio Anesthesia, PLLC Joins Pinnacle Consultants Management Services, LP

San Antonio, TX (December 3, 2007)— Greater San Antonio Anesthesia (GSAA), PLLC (formerly SALSA Anesthesia, PLLC) has agreed to partner with Pinnacle Consultants Management Services, LP. These newly formed entities (Pinnacle Anesthesia of South Texas, PLLC and Pinnacle Consultants of South Texas, LLC) will provide high quality anesthesia services in San Antonio and South Texas. Pinnacle Consultants Management Services, LP is a Pinnacle Partners In Medicine (“Pinnacle”) anesthesia management company. The 13 physicians of Greater San Antonio Anesthesia, PLLC will be joining Pinnacle’s network of over 400 anesthesiology providers.

“The addition of the SALSA physicians group is part of our goal to bring new efficiencies, quality care, and expanded coverage to patients in the South Texas area, and part of our culture at Pinnacle involves finding other anesthesiologists who share that same vision and goal,” said Michael Hicks, M.D., President and Chief Medical Officer of Pinnacle. “South Texas is one of the fastest growing areas in the country, and these physicians bring excellent leadership and clinical skills to our already strong anesthesiology and pain medicine practice.”

“We are very excited about the opportunities that our new partnership will bring to SALSA, San Antonio and South Texas. With Pinnacle’s expertise, leadership, and business acumen, we are ideally positioned to take advantage of the market conditions and become the recognized leader in this part of the state”, said Ellen Duncan, M.D., President of GSAA. “We will be actively seeking to establish new relationships with hospitals and providers with the foremost thought of delivering effective and efficient anesthesia services to the patients of South Texas.”

About GSAA:

Formerly SALSA Anesthesia, the group is comprised of 13 anesthesiologists who trace their formation to the early 1980’s. They perform a wide range of anesthetics including cardiac, obstetric, neurosurgical, pediatric and chronic pain management. With privileges at nearly every facility in San Antonio, GSAA is capable of providing high quality anesthetics wherever they practice.

About Pinnacle:

Based in Dallas, Texas, Pinnacle Partners In Medicine is the largest physician-owned anesthesia group in Texas and one of the largest in the country. The company is comprised of more than 250 board-certified or board-eligible anesthesiologists, 150 Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) and more than 200 support staff. Known for their rigorous quality assurance and peer review procedures, Pinnacle provides high quality anesthesia and chronic pain medicine services at over 100 hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers. Pinnacle Consultants Management Services, LP is a subsidiary of Pinnacle Partners In Medicine created in 2006 to help fulfill the growing need for improved anesthesia services nationwide. As the fastest growing anesthesia services provider, they are expanding their reach across Texas as well as 9 other states. For more information, visit: www.PinnaclePartnersMed.com.

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