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## Select an Anesthesiologist Focused on Quality Pinnacle Partners in Medicine

During surgery, safe and effective pain relief is important. That's why a significant part of every surgical team includes medical doctors specially trained to help manage patients' pain. Anesthesiologists monitor heart rates, vital signs and other functions to ensure patients are unaware of pain or emotional distress during and after surgery.

"People spend a lot of time searching for the right surgeon or family doctor. When surgery is required, selecting a highly skilled anesthesiologist should be equally important," says Michael Hicks, M.D., President of Pinnacle Partners in Medicine.

As one of the largest anesthesia and pain medicine physician groups in the country, Dallas-based Pinnacle Partners in Medicine, through its anesthesia division, dedicates itself to the delivery of superior and quality anesthesia care to North Texas residents. The physicians of Pinnacle Anesthesia care for patients in a broad range of practice settings including hospitals, surgery centers, pain clinics and physician offices throughout North Texas.



### Leading Physicians Focused on Quality

Pinnacle's focus is to provide the most advanced anesthesia care available. Substantially all physicians in Pinnacle's practice are board-certified by The American Board of Anesthesiology (ABA) or board-eligible. "Our physicians stay current in the field and many hold offices in various medical associations," says Dr. Hicks.

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registered nurse anesthetists (CRNAs). "While we are a large practice, we remain focused on caring for our patients," says Dr. Hicks. Our providers are dedicated to certain facilities. We value our relationships with patients, surgeons and hospitals and believe in teamwork. We enjoy working with the same surgeons and nurses who know us by name." Throughout the health care industry, Pinnacle is known for its rigorous quality assurance and peer review procedures. The group uses specific quality initiatives to measure data from every case. "Measuring helps our physicians learn how they are doing," says Dr. Hicks. "We've found we don't have to do much intervention if a physician needs to make adjustments. Our measurement efforts have given us evidence that our physicians are the best in providing good care."

The Pinnacle anesthesia team offers a complete range of anesthesia care. Patients include both children and adults requiring many types of procedures such as neurosurgery, cardiac surgery, labor and delivery services, and many others.

And through its pain medicine division, physicians from Pinnacle Pain Medicine treat patients using state-of-the-art technologies to effectively reduce or eliminate their pain.

The group also offers practice management solutions through its affiliated entity Pinnacle Practice Management Services to other anesthesia practices and hospitals, providing expertise and services in managed care contracting, revenue cycle management, human resources, financial management and analysis, operational/financial reporting, and accounting.

Pinnacle Partners in Medicine is always focused on patients. For additional information, please visit [www.pinnaclepartnersmed.com](http://www.pinnaclepartnersmed.com).

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