



Enhancing Innovation in a Patient-Centric Manner

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SASA

- Non-profit Volunteer association
- Represents over 2 000 members
- Across public, private and academic sectors
- Including specialists, GP anaesthetists, MOs, all registrars and even some nurses

Core Principles

- Organisational mission to enhance the science and practice of anaesthesia and ensure the sustainability of the profession
- Private Practice Business Unit mission is to promote safe, professional, quality patient care through innovation, collaboration and leadership, and to ensure sustainability and value within the healthcare sector.

Core Principles (cont.)

- Quality: IHI Definition
 - Patient-centred
 - Safe
 - Efficient
 - Effective
 - Timely
 - Equitable
- Sustainability
 - Three Pillars
 - Economic
 - Environmental
 - Social
 - Skilled Workforce
 - Affordability
 - Wellness
 - Durable
 - Continuity
 - Relevant

HPCSA Ethical Rules

- Agree that regulation must encourage innovation
- SASA Submission to SAMA on changes to HPCSA Ethical Rules (June 2016)
 - Proposed new clause on ARMs (7(8)) for greater transparency
- Must, first and foremost, ensure patient care – rules change; ethics do not!

HPCSA Ethical Rules (cont.)

- Complex environment that, therefore, requires strong ability to interpret nuances and must be able to respond quickly and decisively
- Current problem more capacity than rules
 - Many current efforts by HPCSA to address business practice issues
 - No resolution to any that SASA is aware of

Alternative Reimbursement Models

- Urgent need to address current issues with regards cost certainty, provider accountability, and move to more value- and evidence-based medicine
- No one model has proven to be a “magic bullet”, including global fees
- Every option (FFS, multi-disciplinary teams, etc.) carry both potential risks and rewards

ARMs in SA environment

- Some good patient-centric examples available, especially in long-term population health management environment
- Much easier and more incentive to drive costs only
- Third-party players performing administrator's role
- Lack of transparency
- Lack of regulatory capacity

ARMs in SA environment (cont.)

- Importing models not aligned with SA needs or environment (per capita healthcare spend, structural environment)
- Scarce skills, concentrated facilities market
- Significant power imbalances

SASA Event Based Contract

- Clinician-driven, collaborative and patient-centric solution
- Created to provide alternative to current options that did not put patient's interests first
 - Examples of harm
- HPCSA exemption
 - Why?

SASA Event Based Contract (cont.)

- Fundamental principles:
 - Patient-centric
 - Outcomes measurements
 - Cost certainty
 - Transparency
 - Accountability
- Supported by SASA Peer Review and Safe Surgery South Africa

What is Needed

- Truly enabled environment – not just a removal of regulation
 - Strengthen regulators
 - Create environment for effective negotiations
 - Ensure accountability
 - Enable outcomes measurement
- Effort and participation by all
- Honest and transparent collaboration

