

SOUTH AFRICAN SOCIETY OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS

COUNCIL MEETING/SASA AGM 6th April 2024

SASA Associates report:

Communication:

The What's App group now increased to 118 members. Invaluable way to share information covering many aspects. Using it in semi-formal way to share useful journal articles, reviews, and updates on anaesthesia related matters. Would like to get some more wellness-related content included. Includes some new FCA's and soon to be FCA's, who have expressed their interest to stay in group which is nice to hear and reaffirming about the forum's utility.

Meeting planned to discuss growing this group with MO participation.

Associate benefits:

We are hoping to gain the backing of the PPBU to help implement either associate specific payment arrangements, or to increase the participation in currently existing payment arrangements, akin to the Direct Payment Arrangement agreement that exists with Discovery Health medical scheme.

Need to address some associate specific issues with certain medical aid and non-payment of certain procedures.

Also might need to address some difficult issues in Durban regarding associate and full members conflict regarding scope of work.

Kind regards,

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