

American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses (ASPAN)

Innovation Strategic Work Team (SWT)

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PURPOSE: The Innovation Strategic Work Team (SWT) promotes the recognition, development, and application of innovative practices within the perianesthesia setting.

AUTHORITY: Appointed by the President with oversight from ASPAN Board of Directors.

SCOPE:

1. Identify perianesthesia innovation opportunities.
 - a. Elicit ASPAN member or component proposals of issues/problems that design/creative thinking or innovation could address.
 - b. Query ASPAN members regarding their fundamental knowledge of innovation as it applies to the perianesthesia setting.
 - c. Query ASPAN members regarding their practice problems/issues that new devices/innovations could address.
2. Create strategies to increase ASPAN members' knowledge and involvement in design thinking and innovative practices.
 - a. Create design thinking, innovation initiatives workgroups focused on identified issue/problems.
 - b. Provide consultation services for ASPAN members attempting to innovate.
 - c. Create an innovation resource link on the home page of ASPAN's website.
 - d. Propose and manage a forum on the innovation home page of the ASPAN website members can utilize for asking questions about design thinking, innovative processes, and to share narratives of success.
3. Participate in activities to disseminate design thinking and innovation.
 - a. Present formal/informal presentations regarding design thinking and innovation.
 - b. Team leaders, engineering collaborators, and select members of the team to present at national conference, component development institute (CDI), pre-con or post-con board meetings with manuscripts on the practice submitted to *JoPAN*.
 - c. Participate in oral presentations and poster displays on the SWT's evidence-based findings.

DECISION MAKING: Semi-annual reports will be provided to the ASPAN Board of Directors summarizing the Innovation SWT's activities, findings, and recommendations.

OUTCOMES: The knowledge of perianesthesia nurses with regards to design/creative thinking and innovation practices will be increased; an increase in innovation and design/creative thinking-based activities personally, locally, and nationally will be noted.