



Date: 02/12/2025

To: Kansas House Health Committee

Re: Certified Anesthesiologist Assistant Licensure in Kansas House health Committee Members

Sir/Madam,

I am very pleased to submit this letter in support of CAA's getting license to practice in state of Kansas.

I am a practicing gastroenterologist for last 13 years at Saint Luke's Health system in Kansas City, MO and have had privilege of working with numerous CRNA's and CAA's. I can say with utmost confidence that CAA's are safe providers and are fully capable of caring for a patients undergoing sedation for various Gastroenterology procedures. I have never felt any difference in care provided to my patients by CAA's or CRNA's.

Granting licensure to CAA's in state of Kansas, will expand access to anesthesia services in Kansas and will help alleviate currently existing significant shortage of anesthesia providers.

Please feel free to reach out if I can answer any additional questions,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rajiv Chhabra".

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