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Society for Obstetric Anesthesia and Perinatology Announces Recipients of 2020 SOAP Center of Excellence Designation

May 11, 2021 – The Society for Obstetric Anesthesia and Perinatology (SOAP) is pleased to announce the following institutions and obstetric anesthesia programs have attained the prestigious SOAP Center of Excellence (COE) designation:

- Clinica Universitaria Bolivariana – Medellin, Columbia
- George Washington School of Medicine – Washington DC
- Hamad Medical Corporation, Women’s Wellness & Research Centre, - Doha, Qatar
- Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian – Newport Beach, CA
- Loma Linda University – Loma Linda, CA
- Long Island Jewish Medical Center – Hyde Park, NY
- Minneapolis Anesthesia Partners – Plymouth, MN
- National Center for Child Health and Development – Tokyo, Japan
- Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center – Columbus, OH
- Sidra Medicine – Doha, Qatar
- Stony Brook Medicine – Stony Brook, NY
- Sutter Medical Center, Sacramento – Sacramento, CA
- UC Davis Medical Center - Sacramento, CA
- University of Alabama at Birmingham – Birmingham, AL
- University of Chicago – Chicago, IL
- Virginia Commonwealth University Health System – Richmond, VA
- Yale New Haven Hospital – York Street Campus – New Haven, CT

The SOAP Center of Excellence designation recognizes institutions and programs that demonstrate excellence in obstetric anesthesia care, sets a benchmark level of expected care to improve the standards nationally, and provides a broad surrogate quality metric of institutions providing obstetric anesthesia care.

The criteria for the COE designation cover various domains including personnel and staffing; equipment, protocols, and policies; simulation and team training; obstetric emergency management; cesarean delivery and labor analgesia care; recommendations and guidelines implementation; and quality assurance and patient follow-up systems. The criteria for the SOAP COE designation, which covers all aspects of obstetric anesthesia care, were generated by expert consensus and incorporate evidence-based recommendations.

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The designation was awarded March 12, 2021, to the institutions and programs listed above and will remain valid for four years. For more information, please contact Melissa Wilson, CEM, CAE at 859-402-9817 or mwilson@soap.org.



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