



# Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

*WHEREAS, physician anesthesiologists are the guardians of patient safety before, during and after surgery, as well as in pain medicine with the expert ability to lead and navigate all vital moments of care; and*

*WHEREAS, the 12 to 14 years of education, including medical school, and 12,000 to 16,000 hours of training, give physician anesthesiologists the necessary knowledge to understand and treat the entire human body; and*

*WHEREAS, physician anesthesiologists play a critical role in keeping patients safe in this state and community, whether managing a crisis during surgery, providing pain management during labor or treating patients with chronic pain; and*

*WHEREAS, the Anesthesia Care Team model, led by physician anesthesiologists, is widely recognized as the gold standard of care used in all of the nation's top hospitals to protect patients; and*

*WHEREAS, physician anesthesiologists are recognized leaders who are committed to safe and high-quality patient care, educating patients on anesthesia safety and reducing risks of complications;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim January 26 through February 1, 2025, as*

# Physician Anesthesiologists Week

*and I urge all citizens to join us in recognizing physician anesthesiologists, the leaders of the Anesthesia Care Team and critical care specialists who ensure the safety and health of surgical patients and chronic pain patients every day.*



*Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the  
Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the City  
of Montgomery on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January 2025.*

*Kay Ivey*  
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Kay Ivey, Governor