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Message from the President

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On behalf of the Colegio Mexicano de Anestesiología, AC We give you a warm welcome to Mexico City, the capital of our country with great tradition and history, which combined with the entrepreneurial spirit that characterizes Mexicans, allowed us to be part of the transformation that has marked in time, the evolution in different production systems of the planet for centuries, but always in constant, dynamic and tenacious movement.

Do not forget that from its beginnings, the practice of anesthesiology in human life, through different cultural epochs, made valuable contributions, based on the observation of the environment, which led to the ancestral herbal practice by offering alternatives to different conditions for the patient's welfare.

So, from opium, poppy, curare, etc, man begins to question the consequences of drug interactions, pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic impact over time; each and every one of the contributions in perioperative medicine, have claimed to be a valid alternative at that time.

In this century, marked by world globalization, we have the urgent need to provide strategies and alternatives that are the spearhead to provide competitiveness, quality and therefore safety in production activities, mainly when it deals with the provision of health services.

On this occasion, we are pleased to host once again the *XLI* Annual Update Course in Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine, and the *X Symposium on Perioperative Nursing* and II Colloquium on Air Way, with various activities: interactive workshops, symposia, free papers, forum for residents, breakfasts with an expert, specialty chapters, lectures, shopping area, among others, aimed at medical students, nurses, medical residents, doctors, anesthesiologists, subspecialists, surgeons and related areas; we will have the invaluable participation of a group of national and international experts who will offer a series of lectures related to current topics of perioperative

management of patients in different clinical scenarios, be they surgical, therapeutic and/or diagnostic.

The current knowledge that gives us molecular biology, sophisticated imaging and diagnostic, high technology applied to the practice of anesthesiology, and global skills and abilities generated by continuous training, have allowed anesthesiology to constantly modify the praxis of perioperative medicine, thus covering the areas of expertise of the anesthesiologist of this century.

Currently, there is a tendency to comprehensive management for the benefit of the patient. The visionary development of man has led to improved quality of care in perioperative medicine through the design of intervention protocols and management in different clinical settings including the approach of the multidisciplinary work. As a critical component for the effectiveness and efficiency of the protocols used in everyday medical care, it is of great importance to detect errors and safety of teamwork during the perioperative process.

"Safety in anesthesia, better quality and fewer risks" is the primary objective of this event.

We welcome you with the expectation that the experience and knowledge gained from the course will be a useful tool, which allows to offer an adequate perioperative management of quality and safety in the clinical practice of our guild.

Welcome to the XLI Refresher Course in Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine, World Trade Center, Mexico City, Colonia Napoles, a traditional area, which offers a wide range of services that promote a comfortable stay for its visitors.

Welcome to Mexico City.

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