

### Former Nurse Anesthetist Recognizes Training Limits

“After six months practicing as a nurse anesthetist, I found myself getting frustrated that I did not know everything I wanted to know about the increasingly complex surgical procedures being performed on my patients. I also struggled to understand the details of all the patients’ medical illnesses. Yet my attending physician anesthesiologist had the benefit of that knowledge due to the additional years of medical education and residency training in anesthesiology. I decided then that I wanted to be able to provide complete, comprehensive anesthesia care for my patients.

I knew that the only way to acquire this perioperative and periprocedural knowledge was to apply to medical school and complete residency training.”

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