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Mr. Osmond:

Unfortunately, in seeking to address the disappointment of one portion of your audience, you have disappointed another.

You describe having “touched a nerve” by allowing a CRNA (who was trained, experienced, and qualified to address the subject matter) lecture on Trends in Regional Anesthesia. It seems worth noting that you do not recount being criticized for the quality or content of the lecture but, rather upon the license held by your lecturer. There are CRNAs across this country utilizing advanced regional anesthesia techniques in order to prevent and treat both acute and chronic pain, despite what you might hear from other **interested** providers. Professional politics need to be set aside when it comes to educating quality anesthesia providers, regardless of their degree.

It is time for us all to focus on the degree of healthcare being provided, rather than the degree of the healthcare provider. Audio Digest has the opportunity to rise above petty politics and the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists, along with its more than 50,000 members, invites you to do so.

Sincerely,



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