2026 Clinical Instructor of the Year Suzie Newell, DNP, CRNA, FAANA

Thank you. Just thank you to the AANA and Education Committee!

Teaching clinically in Scranton and didactically in Cincinnati has changed my life. Jill Moyer and Zadok Miller are just two of the extraordinary students who remind me every day how impressive this new generation of anesthesia providers truly is. They also keep me humble by asking questions so granular that I sometimes wonder if they have a secret plan to expose the limits of my hippocampus in real time.

Being recognized by students feels surreal because they are the ones doing the hard work. Who has time to nominate people during clinicals? Yet they did, and that means everything to me. What makes me proudest is that this award reflects the entire team at Moses Taylor OB. I accept this for my team, the small but mighty CRNA team that treats every incoming resident as a personal challenge. Their mindset is consistent: every single student will be good at this. And somehow, they make that true.

Thank you again, and the brilliant chaos of OB that continues to teach me as much as I teach anyone else.