



 **AORN** | AMBULATORY  
SURGERY DIVISION

## PERIOPERATIVE SOLUTIONS FOR THE OUTPATIENT SETTING

Using evidence-based guidelines, AORN (Association of periOperative Registered Nurses) defines the perioperative standards that support efficient, safe, and measurable results in the OR – enabling high-performing surgical teams, stronger margins, and improved patient outcomes.



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## Projected Growth of US Ambulatory Surgical Centers<sup>1</sup>



Membership dues and Industry partnerships help ensure AORN can continue to bring you quality education and programming that benefits perioperative professionals in their practice. Joining AORN or renewing your group membership supports the profession and Safe Surgery Together.

<sup>1</sup>U.S. Ambulatory Surgical Centers Market Size, Share & COVID-19 Impact Analysis, by Type of Center (Single-specialty and Multi-specialty), by Ownership (Physician-owned, Hospital-owned, and Corporate-owned), by Application (Diagnostic Services and Surgical Services), and Forecast, 2021-2028. <https://www.fortunebusinessinsights.com/u-s-ambulatory-surgical-centers-market-106323>. Accessed 11/16/2023.



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# AMBULATORY SOLUTIONS

**AORN's Ambulatory and Outpatient Solutions educate your team to provide efficient, high-quality care.**

Perioperative professionals in ambulatory and outpatient surgery settings perform diverse roles and face unique challenges while managing surgical patients through the continuum of care from pre-, intra- and post-op, through post-discharge. Expanding surgery volumes and types of outpatient procedures create challenges with onboarding.

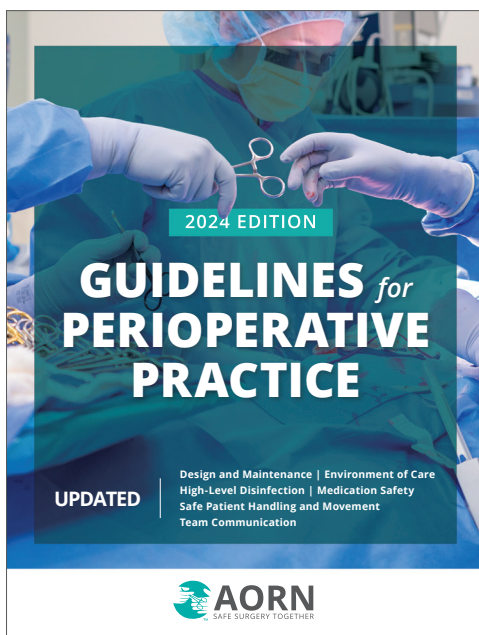
From online learning and live events to networking opportunities, clinical resources, and convenient tools for ASC leaders, AORN's Ambulatory Surgery Division supports periop teams in providing safe surgical care and implementing evidence-based recommendations from the AORN *Guidelines for Perioperative Practice*.

## Ambulatory Group Membership

More than just a membership, this education package provides perioperative teams with a strong evidence-based practice foundation by providing access to the online AORN *Guidelines for Perioperative Practice* and hundreds of clinical tools, an infection prevention course, and training in the sterilization process. In addition, it includes membership benefits for up to 6 team members. Additional discounted memberships may be added.

<b>Ambulatory Group Membership</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>eGuidelines Plus Subscription</b> (2 simultaneous users)</li><li>• <b>ASC Academy: Infection Prevention Online</b> (1 Seat)</li><li>• <b>Periop 101: The Sterilization Process Module</b> (1 Seat)</li><li>• <b>ASC Group Membership</b> (Up to 6 members)</li></ul>	<b>EDUCATION PACKAGE PRICE:</b> <b>\$1,212</b> YOU SAVE: <b>\$963</b> (44%)
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## EVIDENCE-BASED RECOMMENDATIONS



AORN *Guidelines for Perioperative Practice* is a collection of evidence-based recommendations that, when implemented, guide the delivery of safe surgical patient care and help achieve workplace safety.

The Guidelines are updated throughout the year with new recommendations that:

- Cover a broad range of topics addressing the foundations of perioperative practice
- Focus on the challenges stemming from new technology and evolving regulations
- Improve survey-readiness — many state health organizations and other regulatory bodies refer to the AORN *Guidelines for Perioperative Practice* in annual surveys

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# OUTPATIENT SURGERY SOLUTIONS BASED ON THE GUIDELINES

AORN Ambulatory Surgery Division offers evidence-based solutions and tools developed to address unique challenges in the ASC. Our team can help you determine which courses, events, and resources will be the most effective in meeting your staff education, development, and professional advancement goals.

**Partner with AORN to customize an education package for your team at special pricing to fit your outpatient surgery team needs, help improve patient safety, and make your job easier. Choose from the education offerings outlined below.**

## eGuidelines Plus

This online facility subscription provides quick and full view access to all the AORN Guidelines as well as hundreds of integrated tools and resources including templates for policies & procedures, competencies, and job descriptions, 100s of searchable clinical FAQs, in-service PowerPoints, checklists, case studies, and more!

## Periop 101: A Core Curriculum™ ASC

This standardized onboarding program includes the comprehensive clinical education in Periop 101 OR and adds topics specific to the ASC environment such as preop and postop patient care. Graduate-level Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) competencies and Preparing the Preceptor course are included.

## **NEWLY REDESIGNED** ASC Academy: Infection Prevention Online

Helping you meet regulatory requirements for infection control in the ASC, this newly reimagined course is presented in a more interactive format. It also now includes guidance on the initiation and administration of an Infection Control Program, downloadable tools and templates for immediate implementation, and more.

View course details at [aorn.org/asc](http://aorn.org/asc)

## AAHC and TJC Accreditation Assistant\*

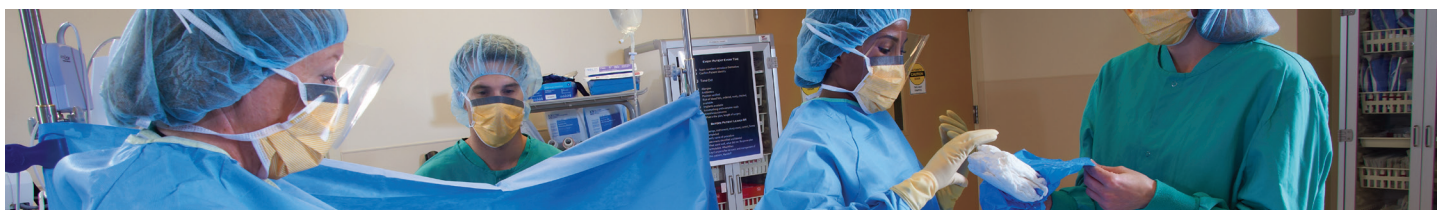
Prepare for your next survey and save staff preparation time by connecting The Joint Commission or Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care elements of compliance to the appropriate AORN Guidelines and implementation tools.

## ASC Academy: Leadership Development

Grow your leadership, financial and regulatory expertise. Through a blended program of online modules, on-demand access to a recorded panel discussion and Q&A with ambulatory experts, and on-demand webinars, learn today's must-have ASC management and financial strategies. This comprehensive administrator training is designed to help new and aspiring leaders to run a successful surgery center.

## Safe Administration of Moderate Sedation

This newly updated course provides the training necessary to safely administer and monitor the patient receiving moderate sedation in an environment in which an anesthesia provider may not be available or may not be required.



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## Prep for Infection Prevention Certification Online\*\*

This self-paced, online course helps perioperative nurses prepare for the certification exam for ambulatory surgery infection preventionists (CAIP™). This program has been reviewed by the Board of Ambulatory Surgery Certification (BASC), and the material presented includes content from each of the five categories included on the CAIP exam and ASC-specific responsibilities.

## Periop 202™

Essential education for nurses new to specialty surgical procedures or those who want a refresher. These courses cover workflows for the following procedures: Total Hip Arthroplasty, Total Knee Arthroplasty, Spine, Hand and Wrist, Shoulder and Elbow, Orthopedic Trauma, Cardiovascular Procedures, Gastrointestinal Procedures, and Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting.

## More Ambulatory Online Education

AORN provides other convenient outpatient online education on various leadership and clinical topics. All continuing nursing education programs are available for group and individual purchase. **Learn more at:** [aorn.org/asc](https://aorn.org/asc)

## Live Events

Supported by the AORN Foundation, *Outpatient Surgery Magazine*, and Pfiedler Education, industry partners sponsor complimentary live webinars and in-person education events for AORN's ambulatory and hospital communities. **Learn more at:** [aorn.org/asc](https://aorn.org/asc).

## ASC Academy Leadership Guides

Featuring comprehensive training and customizable implementation tools and templates, these guides are the ambulatory leader's go-to resources for navigating

quality, regulatory, and safety requirements and applying them to daily surgical practice. The following are now available: A Guide to Quality and Risk Management, A Guide to Governance, A Guide to Operational Management, and A Guide to Emergency Drills. More Leadership Guides coming soon.

**Learn more at:** [aorn.us/leadershipguides](https://aorn.us/leadershipguides)

## Preparing for the Scrub Role

This course is designed to provide the perioperative nurse with the knowledge, workflows, and clinical skills necessary to transition to a sterile field or scrub role. The modules cover scrubbing, gowning, gloving, draping, instrumentation, suture, and preprocedural, procedural, and post procedural responsibilities.

## Global Surgical Conference & Expo 2025

Step into the vibrant Ambulatory Hub at AORN's 2025 annual conference from April 5-9 in Boston. The hub brings together outpatient professionals for a dynamic fusion of education sessions, compelling hot topic discussions, and targeted networking activities. Exclusively tailored for those in the ASC setting, the Ambulatory Hub is where expertise meets excitement. **Learn more at:** [aorn.org/surgicalexp](https://aorn.org/surgicalexp)

## Leadership Summit 2025

The Leadership Summit, held during the AORN Global Surgical Conference & Expo 2025, is meticulously crafted for both emerging and seasoned executives. This exclusive event now features a dedicated Ambulatory Leader Track. Join forces with fellow perioperative leaders in sessions that delve into effective management strategies and the intricate business facets of perioperative nursing.

**Learn more at:** [aorn.org/leadershipsummit](https://aorn.org/leadershipsummit)



### **Pfiedler Education**

With a catalog that includes programs for the outpatient and hospital settings, Pfiedler Education offers complimentary access to accredited, online education for the whole perioperative team.

Learn More at: [aorn.org/pfiedler-edu](http://aorn.org/pfiedler-edu)



### **AORN Syntegrity®**

The only EHR nursing content built by perioperative clinicians based on the most current AORN *Guidelines for Perioperative Practice* and the latest version of the Perioperative Nursing Data set (PNDS). Supports evidence-based practices to prevent surgical risks and creates more efficient processes, improving care protocols and outcomes, and lowering costs.

Learn more at: [aorn.org/syntegrity](http://aorn.org/syntegrity)



## **Outpatient Surgery Magazine**

*Outpatient Surgery Magazine*, a division of AORN, Inc., serves as the meeting place for ambulatory surgery decision-makers.

The magazine, website, and related programs facilitate the exchange of ideas, advice, experiences and information between surgical facility management team members. It also delivers relevant information and advice from experts, professional advisors, industry, and others. It helps readers achieve excellence, efficiency, economy, employee safety, empowerment and entrepreneurship through ethical, balanced, accurate journalism.

AORN members receive the monthly digital issue as a benefit.

Read it at: [outpatientsurgery.net](http://outpatientsurgery.net)

## Support Safe Surgery and Improve Staff Retention

Provide standardized, evidence-based education on safe perioperative practices, as well as resources to support your outpatient or ASC team's professional development.

### **PARTNER WITH AORN TO SUPPORT HIGH-PERFORMING SURGICAL TEAMS**

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To inquire about customized education packages or group purchasing discounts, contact [periopsolutions@aorn.org](mailto:periopsolutions@aorn.org).

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*\*Accreditation Assistant may only be purchased in addition to an existing eGuidelines Plus subscription or with the purchase of an eGuidelines Plus subscription.*

*\*\*This AORN Prep Course has been reviewed by BASC and the material presented includes content from each of the five categories included on the CAIP Certification exam. Registration and attendance at this Prep Course do not, in any way, guarantee that the eligibility requirements will be met, the application will be approved, or that a candidate will pass the exam, and this course is NOT required for potential candidates who are interested in taking the CAIP exam. CAIP is a registered trademark of the Board of Ambulatory Surgery Certification (BASC). Candidates for the CAIP exam must meet the eligibility requirements as defined by BASC.*



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