

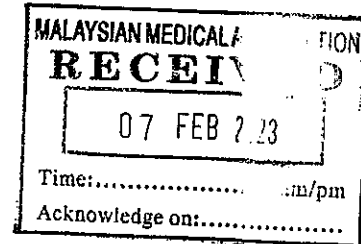


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Dear Dr,

ANAESTHESIA FEES FOR ENDOSCOPY CASES UNDER GENERAL ANAESTHESIA (GA)

With kind reference to the above matter and your letter dated 20th December 2022 regarding professional fee for endoscopy procedures performed under GA.

2. We understand that currently anaesthetists are using Note 5 of the 13th Schedule for endoscopy procedures performed under monitored anaesthesia but there are certain categories of patients which will need GA while undergoing endoscopy procedures.

3. The Malaysian Society of Anaesthesiologists (MSA) / College of Anaesthesiologist (CoA) have categorized the following patients which may need GA for endoscopy procedures:

- 3.1 American Society of Anaesthesiologists (ASA) category 2 patients with well controlled medical conditions but with potential airway issues;
- 3.2 ASA category 3 or 4 patients with significant medical problems including patients with substantive functional limitations with one or more moderate to severe diseases;
- 3.3 Patients who are claustrophobic or do not tolerate mild to moderate sedation;
- 3.4 Patients who have an active upper or lower gastrointestinal bleeding with hemodynamic instability; and
- 3.5 Patients undergoing endoscopic ultrasound procedures (EUS) and endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP).

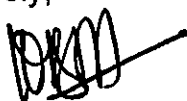


4. We would like to advise to all medical practitioners to strictly abide to the category of patients mentioned in para 3 for endoscopic procedures performed under GA.

Thank you.

"BERKHIDMAT UNTUK NEGARA"

Yours sincerely,



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