

Economics and Governmental Affairs Sub-Committee

Committee Charge

The mission of the Economics and Governmental Affairs Sub-Committee is to monitor state and national economic conditions and policy actions which may impact the Society's interests and to ensure the interests and objectives of the Society are represented.

The goals of the Economics and Governmental Affairs Sub-Committee are to address, advise, and educate the Board of Directors and membership on economic issues of importance to the field of cardiovascular anesthesiology.

Encompasses short and long-term issues associated with utilization of and coverage for billing codes used in cardiovascular anesthesiology and the potential economic impact of public policy decisions on cardiovascular anesthesiology practice.

Promote the value that cardio-thoracic anesthesiologists bring to the perioperative arena.

2025-26 Benchmarks

(Action items for upcoming year)

1. Collate and assess 2020-2024 survey data for possible publication analyzing annual compensation changes and extending prior work from the 2010-2020 SCA salary survey publication: August/September 2025
2. Review SCA Salary Survey questions and make modifications: November/December 2025
3. Distribute Biannual SCA Salary Survey: March/April 2026
4. Review and finalize SCA Salary Survey Results: May/June 2026
5. Distribute SCA Salary Survey Results to Membership Respondents: July/August 2026
6. Prepare SCA newsletter submission highlighting Survey and its results: June/July 2026
7. Evaluate Salary Survey results for publication opportunities: Summer/Fall 2026
8. Draft list of commercially available salary survey resources and assess strengths, weaknesses and opportunities for SCA salary survey improvement: Spring 2026
9. Assess feasibility of performing a focused review of changes to common cardiac anesthesiologist billing codes: Spring 2026

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