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Nurse anesthesiologists

I read with interest the Analysis article on addressing the anesthesia needs of rural and remote communities in Canada.¹

The US model of independent certified registered nurse anesthesiologists (CRNAs) provides the same level of peri-operative care throughout the United States. CRNAs practise with the same anesthesia knowledge, same responsibilities and same outcomes as physicians.²⁻⁴ Southern Africa has nurse anesthesiology, and Denmark and France recognize that nurses can be valuable providers of peri-operative care.

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