

Congress of the Latin American Confederation of Societies of Anesthesiology CLASA 2019

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The Latin American Confederation of Societies of Anesthesia CLASA is the union that joins the Medical Societies of 21 countries.

During the development of the 11th Argentine Congress of Anesthesiology held in Buenos Aires in October 1949, the Argentine Dr. José César Delorme, when checking the presence of colleagues from various Latin American countries, suggested that the congress could become the First Latin American Congress of Anesthesiology, what was approved unanimously by the representatives of the Latin American societies present, which were eight, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, Chile, Mexico, Uruguay and Venezuela.

In the book of minutes of the Argentine Association of Anesthesiology, it was written: "In the city of Buenos Aires, on the twenty-second day of October, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, the representatives of the Argentine Republics met Dr. José César Delorme, from the United States of Brazil Doctor Oscar Vasconcellos Ribeiro, from Colombia Doctor Juan Marín, from Cuba Doctor Ricardo Méndez Peñate, from Chile Doctor Ernesto Frías Meneses, from Mexico Doctor Benjamín Bandera, from Uruguay Doctor Dardo E. Vega and from Venezuela Doctor Roberto J. Lucca Escobar, in order to disseminate anesthesiology and strengthen ties of fellowship, resolve the holding of the Latin American Congresses of Anesthesiology to be held every two years". Subsequently adhered the Anesthesiology Societies of Paraguay, Ecuador and Peru.

On October 22, 1962, during the VI Latin American Congress of Anesthesiology held in the city of Lima, Peru, the Latin American Confederation of Anesthesiology Societies (CLASA) was founded. This creation was the final result of the efforts made by the Argentine anesthesiologist Dr. José César Delorme. The founding countries were ten: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Mexico, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela.

This year from September 21 to 25 will be held in the beautiful city of Buenos Aires Argentina the XXXV Latin American Congress organized by the Latin American Anesthesiology Confederation called Argentina A19 with the slogan "LEARN FROM DOING".

In this way Argentina has had the opportunity to organize three Latin American congresses 1949, 1967 and 1989, so this year for the fourth time it will have the opportunity to do it.

The realization of the Latin American congresses has been since its inception a brilliant and beautiful opportunity to transmit and share the scientific knowledge to the CLASA member societies of the development of Anesthesiology that day by day is strengthened, developed and taught with one every time Greater responsibility and ethics.

More likewise they have allowed the one that is had and are used as a great and magnificent opportunity for the birth of friendships and to strengthen the existing ones.

Since its inception, the idea was that the organization would be every two years and that it would rotate according to the alphabet so that by this way all the CLASA member societies had the opportunity to organize it and likewise we all had the opportunity to know the country It was his turn to organize it.

After already organizing 34 congresses through 70 years, one can proudly say "Mission accomplished".

It is up to those present in these times to continue and enhance the dreams of those who preceded us and created what is now a reality.

Continuing medical education is the best way to maintain and raise the knowledge of a specialty such as Anesthesiology in which there are high levels of development based on knowledge, technological equipment as well as the need for that level of knowledge requires that the anesthesiologist to stay updated on that development must attend and/or have access to the current means of communication through which he will obtain and have access to that desired knowledge.

The fact that the anesthesiologist is up to date constitutes for him an obligation that he must maintain, because that way he will respond to the required needs of his patient, of his Hospital.

Dr. Ignacio Chávez Founder of the National Institute of Cardiology of Mexico Express: A fundamental duty of every doctor is to study and know; know how to acquire knowledge, to act tomorrow for the benefit of the sick, and this can be summarized by pointing out the imperative need for the doctor to be an updated scientist, that is, in a constant state of renewal and verification of the validity of his knowledge. This constitutes "the cult of knowledge", a timeless engine that underlies the existence as such of a doctor who boasts of being one.

If we want to know, we should not start by ignoring.

CLASA, as part of its obligations, has worked and must do so in a responsible way to ensure that the Anesthesiologist doctor is updated, and in which Latin American Anesthesiology responds to the demands of our society, and in which the permanent medical education continues to guarantee that the anesthetic act is carried out in a responsible and ethical manner.

Likewise, the teacher Ignacio Chávez tells us: He who knows is not wise, but he who travels, because he knows them, the ways of knowing. He who is not prepared to renew his baggage will be condemned to be left behind in the course of a little time.

The doctor helps with what he knows, not with what he ignores.

The doctor must study, if scientific curiosity is not enough to dictate that behavior, professional ethics requires him to offer the patient an effective, not simulated help. Who for not being aware of the progress leaves his patient without protection, commits in him a fraud that professional ethics condemns?

That is why we say that there is no greater democratic and clean way of progress of a people than teaching and for that reason it is necessary to study.

It is our duty as members of this current society to participate in the activities of our organizations. That we do it is the best way to fulfill our obligation with ethics and responsibility. CLASA is ours, we create it through our predecessors, together we keep it alive, thriving and acting; Together we help you to fulfill your tasks, together we will achieve that our patients have access to a better medical-surgical-anesthetic treatment that gives them the possibility of a better stage of life.

I have had the opportunity to be part of the organizing committee of the XXIX Congress held in Cancun Mexico from November 21 to 24, 2007 and to be present at the CLASA Congresses of 2013 in Asunción Paraguay, Lima Peru in 2015, and Punta del Este Uruguay 2017 and I can proudly say that I have always observed the enthusiasm, the joy, the great satisfaction among the attendees for sharing knowledge,

for knowing different customs of our peoples, for knowing the diversity in thought and actions, seeing the satisfaction of participating and publicize the folklore of our peoples.

The Argentine Federation of Associations, Anesthesia, Analgesia and Resuscitation, is carrying out with great enthusiasm, with the greatest responsibility, with great dedication, and the greatest effort for this next CLASA congress to be a great success and always with the ideal and the thought that honors the memory of his countryman Dr. José César Delorme and also in which the unity and friendship and the desire to achieve that this unit reaffirms the thought that the anesthetic act must be fully respected and that "Anesthesia must be applied by anesthesiologists." And that if we keep that thought with actions, with facts in which we show that the anesthesiologist is capable, educated, ethical, responsible and that he has the ability to show that anesthesia is not just "sleeping the patient", but On the contrary, it contributes to a great extent in keeping his patient in conditions of physiological stabilization that allows him to undergo the scheduled surgery.

We have also observed with great satisfaction that the Chilean Society of Anesthesia has decided and has shown in an environment that ennobles it to the fullest in joining and contributing to its physical presence and in union unity in the organization and in attending the next congress.

The CLASA Executive Committee sends its sincere recognition to the Chilean Society for this great gesture of decisive and effective delivery and for its cooperation so that this congress of Latin American Anesthesiology constitutes a magnificent opportunity to strengthen the unity and friendship between its neighboring town and even beyond.

I am celebrating the foregoing and I am sure that this act will be a watershed for the future of our beloved Confederation and that it will contribute a lot to other societies also decide to participate and contribute to the Congress being a reason for greater rapprochement and contributing to the development of all The member societies.

Likewise, and within the academic program itself, the fourth international meeting of residents will be held, which will cause the meeting of who in the future will be the anesthesiologists and in whom trust and knowledge will be deposited so that it is they who lead later to our institutions and be the heirs of knowledge and the noble feelings of those who founded our beloved institution.

I invite you all to participate and that we are all sure that our because I repeat it belongs to all of us, the Latin American Confederation of Anesthesiology Societies is a great reliquary of our dreams, of our desires and of our great and beautiful desires to contribute in regards to our beautiful and sweet medical specialty to continue contributing to the development of our peoples.

And as our statutes indicate to us on the 21st, we will have the ordinary assembly of CLASA delegates, highlighting that it will appoint the new executive committee that will officially begin its activities on January 1, 2020.

The academic program that has been programmed includes Pre-Congress Courses, Workshops, simulation events and conferences with professors of very large academic level members of the various CLASA member societies as well as some other countries who with their presentations and their spirit of sharing their knowledge They make the academic program stand out greatly.

Likewise and as part of the program we will have social events worthy of the congress itself, with great surprises that will allow us to live and share our friendship within the joy of our peoples.

Highlight within these activities the traditional Latin American night that will be a great opportunity to manifest the traditions of each of the nations.

There will be other events that will be the big surprise of this beautiful and great congress.

For all of the above and for what is ours, for what our predecessors forged and for what we will inherit is why we must attend and be present at this very next XXXV Latin American Congress of Anesthesiology Argentina A19.

We are waiting for you all with great joy, and the CLASA 2018 - 2019 executive committee will welcome you with all our affection.

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