NSAA Position Statement



Position Statement on Intraoperative Activation of Power Equipment by the CSA

The National Surgical Assistant Association acknowledges that the Certified Surgical Assistant (CSA) are often called upon to perform significant surgical tasks under the direction and supervision of the surgeon in order to provide quality patient care. These significant surgical tasks may include the intraoperative activation of power equipment such as the Electrocautery Unit and Morcellator by the CSA.

Therefore, it is the position of the NSAA that individuals, who hold a valid credential of CSA, have the knowledge and experience to perform those tasks as related to the intraoperative activation of power equipment such as the Electrocautery Unit and Morcellator as necessary to provide for quality surgical patient outcomes.