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## **STATEMENT ON DISCONTINUANCE OF STATE ASC ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

The ASC Association announced that it will be discontinuing its state association management program, which provides specialized management services to several state associations that have entered into contractual agreements with the Association. Instead, the Association will continue to provide both globally focused and targeted services as needed to all state ASC associations equally.

"The benefits and services that the state ASC associations continue to deliver in their home states and at the federal level are outstanding and continue to contribute in critical ways to the overall success of ASCs everywhere," says ASC Association President Kathy Bryant. "The decision to discontinue our management program was reached after a careful reevaluation of our own financial imperatives. The decision does not reflect the value we place on these programs or the administration of the programs in any way. We continue to support the state ASC associations and will be redoubling our efforts to assist them in their efforts through our state relations program."

The ASC Association is a national, nonprofit association that represents the interests of those who own, operate and seek the services of ASCs throughout the nation. The organization represents more than 2,600 ASCs, the professionals who provide care in such ASCs and the patients who seek care there. Visit the association online at [www.ascassociation.org](http://www.ascassociation.org).