

## FOREWORD

The knowledge base of some subspecialty areas within anesthesia is dynamic and therefore requires frequent educational attention. The table of contents in this issue of *Anesthesiology Clinics of North America* well illustrates the dynamic nature of pediatric anesthesia knowledge and practice. The intent of this issue is to substantially help the reader stay abreast of, and keep up with, this dynamically changing subspecialty area.

New Concepts and Techniques in Pediatric Anesthesia is guest edited by two well qualified individuals. Dr. Linda Mason is a Professor of Anesthesiology at Loma Linda University. Dr. Mason has special qualifications in critical care, has been a Director of a Pediatric Intensive Care Unit, President of Loma Linda University Medical staff, Chair of the Medical Staff Executive and Quality Improvement Committees and the Anesthesia Department Residency Committee. Dr. Mason is a very highly recruited and valued teacher and lecturer on a national basis. Her broad interests and capabilities are very well reflected in the breath of the table of contents. Dr. Michelle Kim is an Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology at Loma Linda University Medical Center and is fresh out of a fellowship at the Children's National Medical Center in Washington, DC. As such, the "New" in the title of this issue of *Anesthesiology Clinics* is well guaranteed by Dr. Kim's participation in the editorship. Together, Dr. Mason and Dr. Kim have well met the challenge of bringing New Concepts and Techniques in Pediatric Anesthesia to the reader in a most relevant and learnable manner.

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