



# NORTHSIDE HOSPITAL

Contact: Erica King  
(678) 488-3481  
erica\_king@icloud.com

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Northside Anesthesia Consultants bought by Sheridan, AmSurg's Physician Service Division**

ATLANTA, Ga. (Jan. 19, 2016) – Sheridan, the Physician Services division of AmSurg Corporation, today announced its purchase of Northside Anesthesiology Consultants, LLC (NAC), which marks Sheridan's first entry into the anesthesia specialty in the Atlanta market, as well as the entire state.

NAC has 60 physicians and is the exclusive provider of anesthesiology for Northside Hospital Healthcare System, which owns and operates three other hospitals and 24 associated sites throughout greater Atlanta. In addition to its physician providers, NAC also employs 125 anesthesiologists, as well as other clinical and administrative personnel.

"NAC has always maintained a strong commitment to delivering high quality care to the patients who visit our client facilities." Dr. Doug Smith, chairman of NAC, commented, "We believe that in AmSurg-Sheridan, NAC has found a partner that can both reinforce our commitment to clinical excellence and enhance our ability to grow in the marketplace. Together, we represent a powerful combination of shared values and complementary expertise."

NAC predominantly has anesthesiologists in its group; some have been with the group since the beginning. The group has grown so much over the past decade becoming quite an establishment in the healthcare system. Dr. Jeff King, one of the chairs on the group, says, "This is the best deal we have gotten since our group has blossomed into a strong establishment. I believe Sheridan will be good to us in the long run of patient care and for our practice."

Robert Coward, resident of Sheridan and chief development officer for AmSurg, added, "We are appreciative of NAC's vote of confidence and selection of Sheridan as its partner. In an increasingly complex and demanding healthcare environment, we

believe Sheridan can provide NAC with vital delivery platform components, expertise and resources, all backed by a shared, physician-centric culture. We look forward to working with NAC's outstanding team to continue providing high quality care and to expanding our new presence in this large market."

###

Boiler Plate: NAC has been around for about four decades now. Having about 9 chairmen and 1 that is a leader. As Atlanta has grown, so has the group. Now it is time for them to sell. They have been look for a buyer since 2004, but none of the group met to their standards. In 2010, Sheridan came along and has been latched on since. Just in 2015 they finally came together and made an offer no one could refuse.