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Rebecca S. Twersky, MD, MPH is the Chief of Anesthesia for Memorial Sloan Kettering's Josie Robertson Surgery Center (JRSC) in NY. JRSC is an innovative, freestanding center that provides the highest quality, patient-centered outpatient and short-stay surgical care for cancer patients. Dr. Twersky is an internationally recognized expert in ambulatory anesthesiology and prior to her coming to MSK in 2015, was at SUNY Downstate, where she was a Professor of Anesthesiology and Vice Chair for Research in the Department of Anesthesiology, Medical Director of the Ambulatory Surgery Unit, and Chair of the Institutional Review Board. She received her MD in 1983 and her MPH in 2005 from Downstate, and has established a solid national and international reputation as an expert clinician, researcher, leader, and educator in ambulatory anesthesia.

Dr. Twersky's extensive professional activities have included serving as Chair of the American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) Section on Professional Standards, ASA Annual Meeting Chair, NYSSA PGA General and Scientific Program Chair, past President of the Society of Ambulatory Anesthesia (SAMBA), liaison to the FDA, Joint Commission and continues to serve on advisory committees to New York State Department of Health. She has presented extensively on preop evaluation and patient selection for ambulatory surgery, ERAS for outpatient cancer surgery, outpatient anesthetic techniques, quality assurance, sedation safety and office based anesthesia. She has authored over 75 publications, including *The Ambulatory Anesthesia Handbook*, the only handbook devoted solely to outpatient anesthesia. She has received numerous awards and recognitions for her contributions including the 2005 Distinguished Service Award of the Society of Ambulatory Anesthesia.