

# PREAMBLE FOR CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

Middle Tennessee School of Anesthesia (MTSA) created the Acute Surgical Pain Management Fellowship to optimize patient outcomes while minimizing adverse events in patients experiencing acute surgical pain. The following four foundational tenets underpin the curriculum:

1. Optimize the patient's functional abilities during acute surgical pain management.
2. Optimize the patient's physical and psychological well-being.
3. Include quality of life considerations.
4. Consider legal and ethical issues in the practice of acute surgical pain management.