



**DRITAN PRIFTI, MD**

### **Employment**

Cleveland Clinic Anesthesiology Institute. Pediatric Anesthesiology Department.

Co-Director of Pediatric Regional Anesthesia.

Solid Organ Transplant Anesthesiology Team for Pediatric and Adult.

Anesthesia for Intrauterine Fetal Surgery and Obstetric Anesthesia.

Start August 2017 - Present

UPMC Children's Hospital Pediatric Anesthesiology Fellowship. Start July 2016 – August 2017

Cleveland Clinic Foundation. Anesthesiology Institute. July 2012 – June 2016.

Anesthesiology Residency

St Vincent Charity Hospital. Cleveland, OH. Internal Medicine Department. July 2011 -

June 2012. Internal Medicine Resident

Cuyahoga Community College. Cleveland, OH. Jul. 2000 – Dec. 2001. Courses: Anatomy, Physiology, English

Cakran Medical Center. Fier, Albania. December 1996 – April 2000. Emergency Department

and Primary Care Physician

University Hospital Center “Mother Theresa” Tirana, Albania. July 1995- December 1996. Internship in Internal Medicine Department

Faculty of Medicine, University of Medicine Tirana, Albania. September 1990 – June 1995. General Medicine - MD

### **Licensure/Certifications**

Full Medical License, Ohio State Medical Board. November 2015 – April 2022

American Board of Anesthesiology Certified June 2017

American Board of Pediatric Anesthesiology Certified August 2017

Proximal Humerus Intra-Osseous Vascular Access Workshop. CCF. May 10, 2016. Sergio Bustamante, MD

Lung Isolation Workshop. CCF. January 2015. Sergio Bustamante, MD

Cadaveric Percutaneous Cricothyrotomy Workshop. CCF. February 3, 2015. Sergio Bustamante, MD

Cadaveric Regional Anesthesia Ultrasound Workshop. CCF. December 2014. Loran Mounir Soliman, MD

PALS Certified

BLS and ACLS Certified

### **Academic Honors and Awards**

Excellence in Teaching 2014-2015, Cleveland Clinic Educational Foundation

Anesthesia Research Day, First Place for Quality Improvement Project. May 7, 2015.

Quality Institute Cleveland Clinic Foundation

Dean’s List of Honor, 1991-1995 University of Tirana, Faculty of Medicine

Clinical Distinction Certificate University of Medicine Tirana. May 1995

Medical Student Teaching Award. University of Medicine Tirana. May 1996. Albania

Community Service Award. 1996. Albania

Humanism in Medicine Award. 1995. Albania

Best presentation at the Medical Students National Conference, 1994. Albania

Ranked first at the National High School Student Chemistry Competition, 1990. Albania

## **Committees**

Co-Director for the "Comprehensive Anesthesia Review" CAR course, organized yearly by AI at CCF Main Campus.

Clinical Competence Committee for General Anesthesiology Residency Program, Anesthesiology Institute

Clinical Competence Committee for Pediatric Anesthesiology Fellowship Program, Anesthesiology Institute

Cleveland Clinic Foundation Center for Affordable Care Committee within Anesthesiology Institute

Cleveland Clinic Foundation Blood Borne Pathogen Task Force within Anesthesiology Institute

PRAN – Pediatric Regional Anesthesia Network National Database Committee

SAMBA Ambulatory Pediatric Anesthesia Committee

## **Volunteer Work**

Medical Mission Trip with "Komedoplast" Team. Craniofacial Surgeries in Pediatric Patients.

Peru - January 2017. Dr. Cladis, Franklyn. MD

St. Vincent Charity Hospital, ER, September 2009- October 2009. Dr. O'Day, Carla. MD

Shelter for kids with AIDS. University Hospital Center "Mother Theresa". Tirana, Albania.

January 1995- December 1996

BMI and CV Disease Prevention Clinic. University Hospital Center "Mother Theresa"

Tirana, Albania. December 1996

## **Quality Improvement Work**

- Provider safety. Reduction of needle stick injuries in the operating room environment. - 1st place Award. Quality Institute CCF. Fall 2015

- Avoiding surgical delays through uniform implementation of preoperative pregnancy testing.

## **National/International Conference Presentations**

**Poster:** Ex-utero Intrapartum Treatment with Fetal Thoracotomy and Lobectomy for a Fetus with Congenital Pulmonary Airway Malformation. American Society of Anesthesiology Annual Meeting, USA 2020

**Poster:** Cholangiogram And Possible Open Hepatic Portoenterostomy in A 5 Week Old Infant: What Could Go Wrong? American Society of Anesthesiology Annual Meeting, Orlando. USA 2019

**Poster:** Kasai procedure at 4 month old and then Liver Transplant few weeks later?!...Perioperative management for Liver Transplantation in a complicated 5 month old child s/p failed Kasai. American Society of Anesthesiology Annual Meeting, Orlando. USA 2019

**Podium:** Intraoperative Cholangiogram and Cholecystectomy .... What Could Go Wrong?. Midwest Anesthesia Residents Conference (MARC) . Michigan, April 2019

**Podium:** Perioperative Anesthetic Management of Liver Transplantation in an Infant with Large Atrial Septum Secundum Defect. ILTS, Lisbon, Portugal - May 2018

**Podium:** Liver Transplantation in an Infant with Large Secundum ASD. SPA, Phoenix, AZ - March 2018

**Podium:** Perioperative Management of a Patient with Maple Syrup Urine Disease (MSUD) Undergoing Open Heart Surgery. SPA, Austin, TX - March 2017

**Podium:** Serum Ropivacaine Concentrations in Pediatric Patients Receiving Continuous Wound Catheter Analgesia. SPA, Austin, TX - March 2017

**Podium:** The Use of Intraoperative TEE for the Placement of a Percutaneously Inserted Intraventricular Assist Device (Impella) in a Patient Undergoing AVR with Severe Acute Left Ventricular Failure. ASA, San Diego, CA – October 2015

**Podium:** Anesthetic Management in Ambulatory Setting for a Patient with MELAS. ASA, New Orleans, LA – October 2014

**Podium:** Paying Attention to EtCO<sub>2</sub> during Laparoscopic Surgery Leads to Prompt Treatment and Prevention of a Possible Catastrophic Outcome. ASA, San Francisco, CA - October 2013

#### **Memberships and Honorary/ Professional Societies**

Society for Pediatric Anesthesia. February 2014 - Present

American Society of Anesthesiologists. July 2012 – Present

Ohio Society of Anesthesiologists. January 2013 - Present

American Medical Association. January 2017 – Present

Society of Ambulatory Anesthesia (SAMBA) January 2019 – Present

Albanian Order of Physician. January 1996 - Present

**Language**

English (Fluent: written and spoken)

Albanian (Fluent: written and spoken)

Italian (Literate: written and spoken)

French (Literate: written and spoken)

**Hobbies and interests**

Organic gardening, Carpentry, Sartorial design, Soccer, Racquetball, Reading.

If I were not a doctor today, I would have been an aerobics instructor or a nutritionist.

This is why I always emphasize to my patients that proper diet, regular exercise and a positive outlook enrich our life. I try to set an example in my own life. I am open to try any sport, and enjoy meeting new people, traveling and learning new cultures.