

Rene A. Bouquet, DNP, CRNA Recognized by America's Best in Medicine for Excellence in Anesthesia Leadership

Chief Nurse Anesthetist and Practice Administrator Champions Patient Safety, Team Development, and Health Equity at St. Barnabas Hospital



New York City, New York Jan 20, 2026 (IssueWire.com) - Rene A. Bouquet, DNP, CRNA, is a highly respected Chief Nurse Anesthetist and Practice Administrator whose career reflects a rare balance of clinical mastery, operational leadership, and deep commitment to patient-centered care. With more than

a decade of service at St. Barnabas Hospital, Rene has become a trusted leader known for building high-performing anesthesia teams, optimizing clinical outcomes, and implementing strategies that strengthen both patient safety and organizational efficiency.

In his dual role, Rene oversees complex anesthesia operations while remaining closely connected to bedside care. This combination allows him to approach leadership with a practitioner's insight and an administrator's strategic vision. "What I enjoy most is the opportunity to make a meaningful impact—both at the bedside and across the broader healthcare system," Rene shares. "Delivering safe, precise anesthesia care while shaping the operational systems that support our teams is incredibly fulfilling."

Rene's academic background reflects his dedication to excellence and lifelong learning. He earned his Doctor of Nursing Practice in Anesthesiology from Barry University, graduating with distinction, and holds a Master of Science in Nurse Anesthesia from SUNY Downstate. He also completed a Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Lehman College and an Associate of Arts and Sciences in Nursing Science from Helene Fuld College of Nursing. His education, combined with extensive clinical experience, has prepared him to lead in both high-acuity environments and complex administrative settings.

Throughout his career, Rene has served in a variety of anesthesia roles across prominent healthcare organizations, including Somnia Inc., Greenwich Medical Anesthesia, St. Vincent's Hospital, and Nyack Hospital. These experiences have shaped his comprehensive understanding of anesthesia delivery across diverse clinical settings and reinforced his commitment to advancing the role of Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) within the healthcare system.

Beyond his institutional leadership, Rene is a passionate advocate for the nursing profession and health equity. He is actively involved in professional development initiatives, mentorship, and policy advocacy focused on expanding the CRNA scope of practice and improving access to anesthesia care. He provides structured mentorship and career guidance to nursing students and early-career professionals pursuing nurse anesthesia, with a particular focus on supporting individuals from underrepresented communities.

Rene also contributes to Health Equity Advocacy Projects, collaborating with local organizations to address disparities in anesthesia access through education, outreach, and policy engagement. "Whether I'm mentoring future CRNAs, optimizing staffing models, or advocating for expanded practice scope, I'm driven by the knowledge that each decision contributes to better patient outcomes and a stronger profession," he explains. "Medicine is not just a career—it's a platform for leadership, equity, and lasting change."

Through innovation, collaboration, and unwavering dedication to patient care, Rene A. Bouquet continues to shape the future of anesthesia—strengthening healthcare systems while empowering the next generation of nurse anesthetists.

Learn more about Rene A. Bouquet:

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