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Keira Mason, MD, was Director of Radiology Anesthesia and Sedation at Boston Children's Hospital for almost 19 years. She has written policies, guidelines, and protocols for sedation delivered by both anesthesiologists and non-anesthesiologists in the Department of Radiology. She has edited three textbooks on Pediatric Sedation and co-edited a textbook entitled Total Intravenous Anesthesia and Target Controlled Infusions. She has published many chapters and manuscripts on dental sedation and office based anesthesia. She has served on FDA advisories for sedation, chaired international sedation task forces, created Adverse Event Sedation Reporting Tools which are in widespread, on-line use, and has conducted FDA approved pediatric studies using Dexmedetomidine. As Co-Chair of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Taskforce for Sedation and Sedation Continuing Education Committee on Sedation and Anesthesia, she had a leadership role in restructuring the dental continuing education requirements in the United States She is a frequent guest lecturer at Harvard School of Dental Medicine and lectures to multispecialties on dental and office based anesthesia and sedation world wide, including the International Association of Paediatric Dentistry (IAPD). Dr. Mason started an annual Pediatric Sedation Conference in 2005, which is the only international conference of this kind. In 2012 she expanded the conference to include dental sedation and dental simulation, establishing the Pediatric Dental Sedation Outside of the Operating Room Conference. To date, it is the only conference that is not affiliated with a dental society that has been approved as a registered continuing education provider for New York State and California. She is on the Editorial Board of British Journal of Anesthesia and has held committee positions and chair positions at the ESA, ASA. and SAMBA.