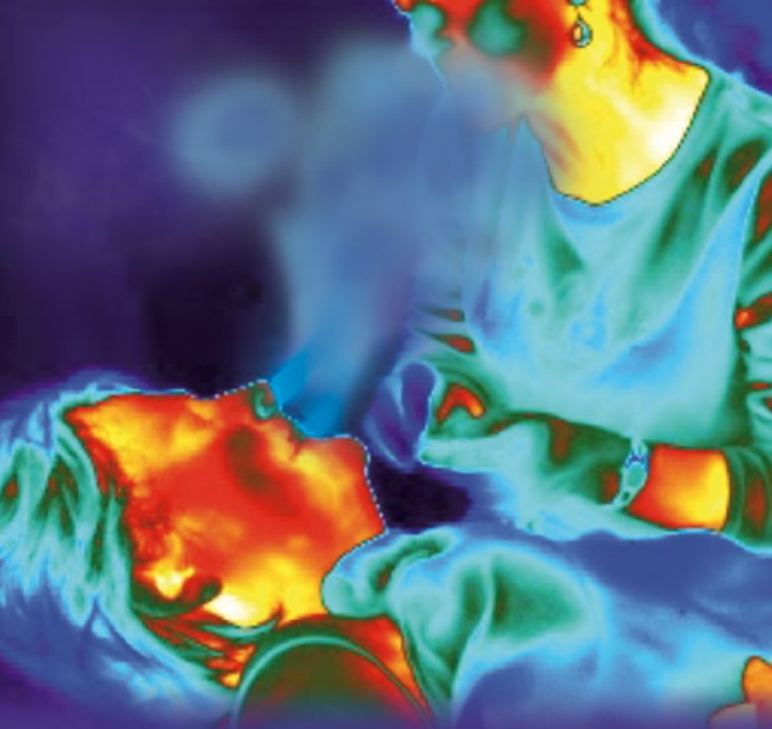




EXPOSING THE



INVISIBLE RISK



**It's time to talk about
the health risks
of waste anesthetic
gases in Recovery.**

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If you are a health care professional caring for patients in Recovery, what you don't know about anaesthetic gases could **impact your health**. Anyone in close proximity to a patient's mouth/head following an operation is at **risk for potential health effects** related to exposure to waste anaesthetic gases in their breathing zone. Many recovery nurses may not even be aware of this risk. This exposure can cause nausea, dizziness and **fatigue** along with other long-term health effects.^{1,2}

Take action now! Join us in raising awareness about these health risks and **demand a solution.**

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