

## CHAPTER 147A

## PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, REGISTRATION

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**147A.09 SCOPE OF PRACTICE, DELEGATION.***[For text of subd 1, see M S 1998]*

Subd 2 **Delegation.** Patient services may include, but are not limited to, the following, as delegated by the supervising physician and authorized in the agreement

- (1) taking patient histories and developing medical status reports,
- (2) performing physical examinations,
- (3) interpreting and evaluating patient data,
- (4) ordering or performing diagnostic procedures,
- (5) ordering or performing therapeutic procedures,
- (6) providing instructions regarding patient care, disease prevention, and health promotion,
- (7) assisting the supervising physician in patient care in the home and in health care facilities,
- (8) creating and maintaining appropriate patient records,
- (9) transmitting or executing specific orders at the direction of the supervising physician,
- (10) prescribing, administering, and dispensing legend drugs and medical devices if this function has been delegated by the supervising physician pursuant to and subject to the limitations of section 147 34 and chapter 151 Physician assistants who have been delegated the authority to prescribe controlled substances shall maintain a separate addendum to the delegation form which lists all schedules and categories of controlled substances which the physician assistant has the authority to prescribe This addendum shall be maintained with the physician-physician assistant agreement, and the delegation form at the address of record,
- (11) for physician assistants not delegated prescribing authority, administering legend drugs and medical devices following prospective review for each patient by and upon direction of the supervising physician,
- (12) functioning as an emergency medical technician with permission of the ambulance service and in compliance with section 144E 127, and ambulance service rules adopted by the commissioner of health, and
- (13) initiating evaluation and treatment procedures essential to providing an appropriate response to emergency situations

Orders of physician assistants shall be considered the orders of their supervising physicians in all practice-related activities, including, but not limited to, the ordering of diagnostic, therapeutic, and other medical services

**History:** 1999 c 245 art 9 s 65

**147A.23 RESPONDING TO DISASTER SITUATIONS.**

(a) A registered physician assistant or a physician assistant duly licensed or credentialed in a United States jurisdiction who is responding to a need for medical care created by a state or local disaster may render such care as the physician assistant is able to provide, under the physician assistant's license, registration, or credential, without the need of a physician and physician assistant agreement as required under section 147A 20 Physician supervision, as required under section 147A 09, must be provided under the direction of an emergency medical director in accordance with rules adopted by the emergency medical services regulatory board under section 144E 16 The physician assistant must establish a temporary supervisory agreement with an emergency medical director before rendering care

(b) The physician who provides supervision to a physician assistant while the physician assistant is rendering care in a disaster in accordance with this section may do so without meeting the requirements of section 147A 20

(c) The supervising physician who otherwise provides supervision to a physician assistant under a physician and physician assistant agreement described in section 147A 20 shall not be held medically responsible for the care rendered by a physician assistant pursuant to paragraph (a) Services provided by a physician assistant under paragraph (a) shall be considered outside the scope of the relationship between the supervising physician and the physician assistant

**History:** 1999 c 226 s 1