

Alaska State Medical Board  
Board Issued Guidelines

Subject:	<b><i>Scope of Practice for Physician Assistants</i></b>
Implemented:	
<p>Certified physician assistants may do any task for which they are appropriately educated, trained, and skilled to do as long as they are authorized by their collaborating physician to perform that task. It is the burden of the collaborating physician to insure that the physician assistant with whom they collaborate is properly educated, trained, and skilled for the requirements of the practice.</p> <p>As with physicians, some physician assistants are trained in certain specialties of medicine. For example, there are those who are trained to work only orthopedics. In Alaska, most physician assistants work in family practice environments.</p>	