

AMENDMENT # 1

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BY REPRESENTATIVE RUFFRIDGE

TO: CSSB 115(HSS) am

- 1 Page 2, line 2:
- 2 Delete "4,000"
- 3 Insert "8,000"

AMENDMENT #2

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1 Page 3, line 7:

2 Delete "one or more collaborating physicians"

3 Insert "a collaborating physician"

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5 Page 3, lines 7 - 8:

6 Delete "A collaborating physician or physicians"

7 Insert "The collaborating physician"

8

9 Page 3, lines 10 - 12:

10 Delete "one or more collaborating physicians who, collectively, practice in each of the
11 physician assistant's practice areas"

12 Insert "the collaborating physician"

13

14 Page 3, following line 13:

15 Insert new paragraphs to read:

16 "(2) be between a physician assistant and a collaborating physician
17 who practices in each of the practice areas of the physician assistant;

18 (3) describe the practice areas of the physician assistant and the
19 collaborating physician;"

20

21 Renumber the following paragraphs accordingly.

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23 Page 3, line 22, following "assistant;":

- 1 Insert "and"
- 2
- 3 Page 3, line 24:
- 4 Delete "; and"
- 5 Insert "."
- 6
- 7 Page 3, lines 25 - 26:
- 8 Delete all material.

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- 1 Page 3, line 4:
- 2 Delete "4,000"
- 3 Insert "10,000"

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#4

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TO: CSSB 115(HSS)

1 Page 1, line 11:

2 Delete "[AND]"

3 Insert "and"

4

5 Page 1, line 12, through page 2, line 4:

6 Delete "; and"

7 (5) hours of practice experience, if any, that a physician assistant
8 must complete under a collaborative agreement to practice in a practice area that
9 is substantively different than the physician assistant's previous practice areas;
10 the board may not require that a physician assistant complete more than 4,000
11 hours under this paragraph, in addition to the hours required under (c) of this
12 section, to practice in a new practice area without a collaborative agreement"

13

14 Page 3, lines 3 - 5:

15 Delete "Unless additional hours are required by the board to practice in a new practice
16 area under (a)(5) of this section, a physician assistant with less than 4,000 hours of practice
17 experience"

18 Insert "Except as provided in (d) of this section, a physician assistant"

19

20 Page 3, following line 26:

21 Insert a new subsection to read:

22 "(d) A physician assistant with 4,000 or more hours of practice experience
23 under a collaborative agreement may provide primary care services permitted under

- 1 (b) of this section without having a collaborative agreement in place."
- 2
- 3 Reletter the following subsections accordingly.

AMENDMENT #5

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1 Page 3, following line 26:

2 Insert a new subsection to read:

3 "(d) A collaborating physician, or a hospital, clinic, or other clinical setting in
4 which a physician assistant works, may not require a physician assistant to pay a fee to
5 the collaborating physician, or to the hospital, clinic, or other clinical setting in which
6 the physician assistant works, to practice under the collaborative agreement."

7

8 Reletter the following subsections accordingly.

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1 Page 3, following line 29:

2 Insert a new subsection to read:

3 "(e) Before a physician assistant may provide services under this section, the
4 physician assistant must inform the patient that the services will be performed by a
5 physician assistant and identify any physician who is present for the services."
6

7 Reletter the following subsection accordingly.

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1 Page 2, line 3:

2 Delete "(c)"

3 Insert "(d)"

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5 Page 2, line 31:

6 Delete "and"

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8 Page 2, following line 31:

9 Insert a new paragraph to read:

10 "(13) assist in the performance of an operation performed by a
11 physician, osteopath, or podiatrist licensed under this chapter; and"

12

13 Renumber the following paragraph accordingly.

14

15 Page 3, following line 2:

16 Insert a new subsection to read:

17 "(c) A physician assistant may not perform an operation."

18

19 Reletter the following subsections accordingly.

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1 Page 1, line 11:

2 Delete "[AND]"

3 Insert "and"

4

5 Page 1, line 12, through page 2, line 4:

6 Delete "; and"

7 (5) hours of practice experience, if any, that a physician assistant
8 must complete under a collaborative agreement to practice in a practice area that
9 is substantively different than the physician assistant's previous practice areas;
10 the board may not require that a physician assistant complete more than 4,000
11 hours under this paragraph, in addition to the hours required under (c) of this
12 section, to practice in a new practice area without a collaborative agreement"

13

14 Page 3, lines 3 - 5:

15 Delete "Unless additional hours are required by the board to practice in a new practice
16 area under (a)(5) of this section, a physician assistant with less than 4,000 hours of practice
17 experience"

18 Insert "Except as provided under (f) of this section, a physician assistant"

19

20 Page 3, following line 29:

21 Insert new subsections to read:

22 "(e) A collaborative agreement may designate one or more alternate
23 collaborating physicians to whom the responsibility to oversee and communicate with

1 a physician assistant under the collaborative agreement may be assigned.

2 (f) Upon termination of a collaborative agreement, a physician assistant with
3 4,000 or more hours of practice experience may practice within the scope of services
4 authorized under the terminated collaborative agreement without a collaborating
5 physician for up to one year."

6
7 Reletter the following subsection accordingly.

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9 Page 3, line 31:

10 Delete "and a collaborating physician"

11 Insert ", one or more collaborating physicians, and, if applicable, one or more alternate
12 collaborating physicians"

AMENDMENT # 9 Rep. Fields

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1 Page 1, line 12:

2 Delete "and"

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4 Page 2, line 4, following "agreement":

5 Insert "; and

6 (6) range of different activities similar to clinical rotations a
7 physician assistant must perform when obtaining hours of practice experience
8 required under (a)(5) or (c) of this section"

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1 Page 1, line 11:

2 Delete "[AND]"

3 Insert "and"

4

5 Page 1, line 12, through page 2, line 4:

6 Delete "; and"

7 **(5) hours of practice experience, if any, that a physician assistant**
8 **must complete under a collaborative agreement to practice in a practice area that**
9 **is substantively different than the physician assistant's previous practice areas;**
10 **the board may not require that a physician assistant complete more than 4,000**
11 **hours under this paragraph, in addition to the hours required under (c) of this**
12 **section, to practice in a new practice area without a collaborative agreement"**
13

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14 Page 3, lines 3 - 5:

15 Delete "Unless additional hours are required by the board to practice in a new practice
16 area under (a)(5) of this section, a physician assistant with less than 4,000 hours of practice
17 experience"

18 Insert "Except as provided under (e) of this section, a physician assistant"

19

20 Page 3, following line 29:

21 Insert a new subsection to read:

22 "(e) Upon termination of a collaborative agreement, a physician assistant with
23 4,000 or more hours of practice experience may practice within the scope of services

- 1 authorized under the terminated collaborative agreement without a collaborating
- 2 physician for up to one year."
- 3
- 4 Reletter the following subsection accordingly.

AMENDMENT # 11

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1 Page 1, line 1, following "physicians":

2 Insert ", osteopaths, and podiatrists"

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4 Page 1, line 12, following "physician":

5 Insert ", osteopath, or podiatrist"

6

7 Page 2, line 21, following "physician":

8 Insert ", osteopath, or podiatrist"

9

10 Page 3, lines 7 - 8:

11 Delete "to provide patient care. A collaborating physician or physicians"

12 Insert ", osteopaths, or podiatrists to provide patient care. One or more collaborating
13 physicians, osteopaths, or podiatrists"

14

15 Page 3, line 11, following "physicians":

16 Insert ", osteopaths, or podiatrists"

17

18 Page 3, line 18, following the second occurrence of "physician":

19 Insert ", osteopath, or podiatrist"

20

21 Page 3, line 22, following the first occurrence of "physician":

22 Insert ", osteopath, or podiatrist"

23

1 Page 3, line 23, following "physician":

2 Insert ", osteopath, or podiatrist"

3

4 Page 3, line 26, following "physicians":

5 Insert ", osteopaths, or podiatrists"

6

7 Page 3, line 27, following the second occurrence of "physician":

8 Insert ", osteopath, or podiatrist"

9

10 Page 3, line 31, following the second occurrence of "physician":

11 Insert ", osteopath, or podiatrist"

AMENDMENT # 12

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1 Page 1, line 1, following "physicians;":

2 Insert "relating to a physician assistant licensure program for prison inmates;
3 relating to parole eligibility;"

4

5 Page 1, line 12:

6 Delete "and"

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8 Page 2, line 4, following "agreement":

9 Insert "; and

10 (6) criteria for licensing prison inmates under the program
11 established by the Department of Corrections under AS 33.30.192"

12

13 Page 5, following line 23:

14 Insert new bill sections to read:

15 "** Sec. 7. AS 33.16.090(a) is amended to read:

16 (a) A prisoner sentenced to an active term of imprisonment of at least 181
17 days may, in the discretion of the board, be released on discretionary parole if the
18 prisoner

19 (1) has served the amount of time specified under (b) of this section or
20 has completed the program under AS 33.30.192 and is licensed as a physician
21 assistant under AS 08.64.107, except that

22 (A) a prisoner sentenced to one or more mandatory 99-year
23 terms under AS 12.55.125(a) or one or more definite terms under

1 AS 12.55.125(l) is not eligible for consideration for discretionary parole;

2 (B) a prisoner is not eligible for consideration of discretionary
3 parole if made ineligible by order of a court under AS 12.55.115;

4 (C) a prisoner imprisoned under AS 12.55.086 is not eligible
5 for discretionary parole unless the actual term of imprisonment is more than
6 one year;

7 (D) a prisoner sentenced to a single sentence within or below a
8 presumptive range set out in AS 12.55.125(c), (d)(2) - (4), (e)(3) and (4), or (i)
9 who has not been allowed by the three-judge panel under AS 12.55.175 to be
10 considered for discretionary parole release is not eligible for consideration of
11 discretionary parole;

12 (E) a prisoner sentenced to a single sentence, including a
13 consecutive or partially consecutive sentence, that is not eligible for a good
14 time deduction under AS 33.20.010(a)(3) and that has not been allowed by the
15 three-judge panel under AS 12.55.175 to be considered for discretionary parole
16 release is not eligible for consideration of discretionary parole; or

17 (2) is at least 60 years of age, has served at least 10 years of a sentence
18 for one or more crimes in a single judgment, and has not been convicted of an
19 unclassified felony or a sexual felony as defined in AS 12.55.185.

20 * **Sec. 8.** AS 33.30 is amended by adding a new section to read:

21 **Sec. 33.30.192. Physician assistant training program.** The department, in
22 consultation with the State Medical Board, shall establish a program that allows prison
23 inmates to pursue licensure as a physician assistant under AS 08.64.107."
24

25 Renumber the following bill section accordingly.

AMENDMENT #13 Prep. Summer

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1 Page 1, line 1, following "**physicians**";:

2 Insert "**relating to a physician assistant licensure program for prison inmates**;"

3

4 Page 1, line 12:

5 Delete "and"

6

7 Page 2, line 4, following "agreement":

8 Insert "and

9 (6) criteria for licensing prison inmates under the program
10 established by the Department of Corrections under AS 33.30.192"

11

12 Page 5, following line 23:

13 Insert a new bill section to read:

14 "** Sec. 7. AS 33.30 is amended by adding a new section to read:

15 **Sec. 33.30.192. Physician assistant training program.** The department, in
16 consultation with the State Medical Board, shall establish a program that allows prison
17 inmates to pursue licensure as a physician assistant under AS 08.64.107."

18

19 Renumber the following bill section accordingly.

AMENDMENT # 14

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- 1 Page 2, line 27, following "number;":
- 2 Insert "and"
- 3
- 4 Page 2, line 31:
- 5 Delete "; and"
- 6 Insert "."
- 7
- 8 Page 3, lines 1 - 2:
- 9 Delete all material.

AMENDMENT #15

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1 Page 2, line 3, following "(c)":

2 Insert "and (f)"

3

4 Page 3, lines 3 - 4:

5 Delete "by the board to practice in a new practice area under (a)(5)"

6 Insert "under (a)(5) or (f)"

7

8 Page 3, line 24:

9 Delete "and"

10

11 Page 3, line 26, following "areas":

12 Insert "; and

13 (8) designate a collaborating physician as the primary collaborating
14 physician"

15

16 Page 3, line 27, following "or":

17 Insert "primary"

18

19 Page 3, following line 29:

20 Insert new subsections to read:

21 "(e) A physician assistant and primary collaborating physician shall maintain a
22 record on a form provided by the department of the number of hours of practice
23 experience obtained by the physician assistant. The form must include the

1 (1) area of practice specialty of the collaborating physician; and

2 (2) hours completed by practice type.

3 (f) Upon the physician assistant's completion of 4,000 hours of practice
4 experience, additional hours required under (a)(5) of this section, or additional hours
5 required under this subsection, the primary collaborating physician shall attest on a
6 form provided by the department that the physician assistant is competent to practice
7 without supervision. If the primary collaborating physician determines that the
8 physician assistant is not competent to practice without supervision, the board shall
9 require that the physician assistant practice under a collaborative agreement for
10 additional hours, as determined by the board.

11 (g) A physician assistant is entitled to a hearing conducted by the board to
12 appeal a determination by a primary collaborating physician that the physician
13 assistant is not competent to practice without supervision. The physician assistant may
14 appeal an adverse decision of the board to a court of competent jurisdiction. The board
15 or court may reverse the primary collaborating physician's determination that the
16 physician assistant is not competent to practice without supervision if the board or
17 court finds that the primary collaborating physician's determination was arbitrary and
18 capricious or without just cause.

19 (h) The board shall randomly audit three percent of the physician assistants
20 licensed under this section to assess each physician assistant's compliance with the
21 requirements of this chapter."
22

23 Reletter the following subsection accordingly.
24

25 Page 3, line 31:

26 Delete "a collaborating physician"

27 Insert "one or more collaborating physicians"

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#16

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TO: CSSB 115(HSS) am

- 1 Page 5, lines 13 - 23:
- 2 Delete all material.
- 3
- 4 Renumber the following bill section accordingly.

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TO: CSSB 115(HSS) am

- 1 Page 2, line 2:
- 2 Delete "4,000"
- 3 Insert "6,000"