

Scope of Practice: Physician Assistant During an Emergency

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When an emergency declaration is in effect, a U.S. licensed physician assistant can provide patient care without supervision or with any supervision available. A physician supervising a physician assistant is not required to follow all requirements during an emergency or a state or local disaster.

Participation in Disaster and Emergency Care

A physician assistant or graduate physician assistant licensed in this state or licensed or authorized to practice in any other state of the United States or currently credentialed to practice by a federal employer who is responding to a need for patient services created by an emergency or a state or local disaster (not to be defined as an emergency situation which occurs in the place of one's employment) may render such patient services that they are able to provide without supervision as it is defined in this chapter, or with such supervision as is available. Any physician who supervises a physician assistant or graduate physician assistant providing patient services in response to such an emergency or state or local disaster shall not be required to meet the requirements set forth in this chapter for a supervising physician. Effective Date (3-16-04)