

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1542

By: Rosino

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to physician assistants; amending 59 O.S. 2021, Section 519.11, which relates to construction of the Physician Assistant Act; providing certain construction; requiring certain license or credential; subjecting certain physician assistants to Physician Assistant Act; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 519.11, is amended to read as follows:

Section 519.11. A. Nothing in the Physician Assistant Act shall be construed to prevent or restrict the practice, services or activities of any persons of other licensed professions or personnel supervised by licensed professions in this state from performing work incidental to the practice of their profession or occupation, if that person does not represent himself as a physician assistant.

B. Nothing stated in the Physician Assistant Act shall prevent any hospital from requiring the physician assistant or the delegating physician to meet and maintain certain staff appointment

1 and credentialing qualifications for the privilege of practicing as,  
2 or utilizing, a physician assistant in the hospital.

3 C. Nothing in the Physician Assistant Act shall be construed to  
4 permit a physician assistant to practice medicine or prescribe drugs  
5 and medical supplies in this state except when such actions are  
6 performed under the supervision and at the direction of a physician  
7 or physicians approved by the State Board of Medical Licensure and  
8 Supervision.

9 D. Nothing herein shall be construed to require licensure under  
10 the Physician Assistant Act of a physician assistant student  
11 enrolled in a physician assistant educational program accredited by  
12 the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician  
13 Assistant.

14 E. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no one who is  
15 not a physician licensed to practice medicine in this state may  
16 perform acts restricted to such physicians pursuant to the  
17 provisions of Section 1-731 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.  
18 This paragraph is inseverable.

19 F. Nothing in the Physician Assistant Act shall limit the  
20 activities of a physician assistant employed by or under contract  
21 with the federal government including but not limited to the United  
22 States armed forces, the United States Public Health Service, the  
23 United States Department of Veterans Affairs, or another federal  
24 agency in the performance of their duties; provided, any physician

1 assistant who is employed by or under contract with the federal  
2 government must be a physician assistant currently licensed in this  
3 state or any other state or currently credentialed as a physician  
4 assistant by a federal agency. Any physician assistant who is  
5 employed by or under contract with the federal government and  
6 practices outside of the federal system shall be subject to the  
7 Physician Assistant Act while practicing outside of the federal  
8 system.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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