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333.17549 Responsibilities of physician supervising physician's assistant.

Sec. 17549. (1) In addition to the other requirements of this section and subject to subsection (5), a physician who supervises a physician's assistant is responsible for all of the following:

- (a) Verification of the physician's assistant's credentials.
- (b) Evaluation of the physician's assistant's performance.
- (c) Monitoring the physician's assistant's practice and provision of medical care services.

(2) Subject to section 16215 or 17548, as applicable, a physician who supervises a physician's assistant may delegate to the physician's assistant the performance of medical care services for a patient who is under the case management responsibility of the physician, if the delegation is consistent with the physician's assistant's training.

(3) A physician who supervises a physician's assistant is responsible for the clinical supervision of each physician's assistant to whom the physician delegates the performance of medical care service under subsection (2).

(4) Subject to subsection (5), a physician who supervises a physician's assistant shall keep on file in the physician's office or in the health facility or agency or state correctional facility in which the physician supervises the physician's assistant a permanent, written record that includes the physician's name and license number and the name and license number of each physician's assistant supervised by the physician.

(5) A group of physicians practicing other than as sole practitioners may designate 1 or more physicians in the group to fulfill the requirements of subsections (1) and (4).

(6) Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, a physician is not required to countersign orders written in a patient's clinical record by a physician's assistant to whom the physician has delegated the performance of medical care services for a patient. Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, a physician is not required to sign an official form that lists the physician's signature as the required signatory if that official form is signed by a physician's assistant to whom the physician has delegated the performance of medical care services.

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