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Dear Oregon Physician:

Thank you for deciding to expand your practice to include physician assistants in the delivery of healthcare to Oregonians.

This Supervising Physician Course has been created to assist you in understanding the new laws related to physician assistants effective January 1, 2012. Supervising physicians have new responsibilities under the amended statute, and this course should help educate you on the changes.

At the conclusion of this course, an **open-book** exam is required for approval as a supervising physician. Please refer to the course as you complete the exam. In order to pass, you must answer at least 75% of the questions correctly.

On behalf of the Board, we welcome your comments and suggestions on improvements to the course content, and we wish you the best of luck with your newly established health care team.

Sincerely,

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# Supervising Physician Course

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## **PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT BASICS**

### **Public policy regarding the licensing of PAs**

The Oregon legislature requires physician assistants to be licensed for appropriate use of physician assistants in the delivery of health care services based on a physician assistant's education and experience. *ORS 677.500*. The purpose of the physician assistant program is to enable physicians licensed under ORS 677 to extend high quality medical care to more people throughout the state. *OAR 847-050-0005*.

### **Important Definitions**

- (1) "Physician assistant" means a person qualified by education, training, experience, and personal character to provide medical services under the direction and supervision of a physician who is licensed by the Board, in active practice and in good standing with the Board. *OAR 847-050-0005*.
- (2) "Grandfathered physician assistant" means a physician assistant registered prior to July 12, 1984, who did not graduate from an accredited PA program or pass the NCCPA certification exam. Grandfathered physician assistants may retain all practice privileges which have been granted prior to July 12, 1984. *OAR 847-050-0010*.
- (3) "Supervising physician" means a physician licensed to practice medicine in Oregon who supervises a physician assistant. *ORS 677.495*.
- (4) "Supervising physician organization" (SPO) means a group of supervising physicians that collectively supervises a physician assistant. *ORS 677.495*.
- (5) "Agent" means a physician designated in a writing kept at the primary practice site by the supervising physician who provides direction and regular review of the medical services of a physician assistant when the supervising physician is unavailable for short periods of time, such as but not limited to when the supervising physician is on vacation. *OAR 847-050-0010*.

## **APPLYING AS A SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN**

Prior to using the services of a physician assistant, a physician must be approved as a “supervising physician” by the Board. In a supervising physician organization (SPO), the primary supervisor must be approved as a “supervising physician.” *OAR 847-050-0027.*

Physicians applying to be a supervising physician must submit a supervising physician application to the Board. The application for a supervising physician must include:

- (1) The name and contact information of the supervising physician, if the applicant is not in a SPO;
- (2) If the applicant is in a SPO, the names and contact information of all supervising physicians and the name of the primary supervising physician;
- (3) A general description of the medical services provided by the supervising physician, which may be satisfied by indicating practice specialty;
- (4) A statement that the physician assistant and each supervising physician has reviewed applicable statutes and rules; and
- (5) Any other information that the Board requires. *ORS 677.510.*

Physicians applying to be a supervising physician must also take a course and pass an open-book exam on the supervising physician requirements and responsibilities. A passing score on the exam is 75%. If the supervising physician applicant fails the exam three times, the physician's application will be reviewed by the Board, and the physician must attend an informal meeting with a Board member, a Board investigator and/or the Medical Director of the Board before being given a fourth and final opportunity to pass the examination. If the applicant does not pass the exam on the fourth attempt, the physician's application may be denied. *OAR 847-050-0027.*

Unless the Board is conducting an investigation of the supervising physician or any of the supervising physicians in a SPO who are applying to use the services of a physician assistant, the Board has seven working days after the Board receives the complete supervising physician application to either approve or reject the application. *ORS 677.510.* The physician may be subject to Board investigation prior to approval or may be limited or denied approval as a supervising physician if there are restrictions upon or actions against the physician's license or if the supervising physician commits fraud or misrepresentation in applying to use the services of a physician assistant. The Board may defer taking action upon a request for approval as a supervising physician pending the outcome of the investigation of the physician for violations of the Medical Practice Act, *ORS 677.010-990.* *OAR 847-050-0027.*

## **SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN ORGANIZATION (SPO)**

“Supervising physician organization” (SPO) means a group of supervising physicians who collectively supervises a physician assistant. *ORS 677.495*. When a physician assistant is supervised by a SPO, any of the supervising physicians in the SPO may supervise the physician assistant. A SPO must provide the Board with a list of the supervising physicians in the SPO. The SPO must ensure that the list is continually updated and must notify the Board of any changes. *ORS 677.510*.

### **Designation of primary supervising physician**

One physician within the SPO must be designated as the primary supervising physician of the physician assistant. *ORS 677.495, OAR 847-050-0010*. The SPO must notify the Board when it has designated a primary supervising physician. The primary supervising physician of a SPO must be approved by the Board as a supervising physician prior to using the services of a physician assistant. As part of the supervising physician application, the primary supervising physician of a SPO must attest that each supervising physician in the SPO has reviewed statutes and rules relating to the practice of physician assistants and the role of a supervising physician. *OAR 847-050-0027*.

If the Board is conducting an investigation of any of the supervising physicians in a SPO for violations of the Medical Practice Act, the Board may defer taking action on the supervising physician application pending the outcome of the investigation, *ORS 677.010-990, OAR 847-050-0027*.

A SPO may supervise any number of physician assistants. A physician assistant who is supervised by a SPO may be supervised by any of the supervising physicians in the SPO. *ORS 677.510*.

### **Personal responsibility**

When the supervising physician is a member or an employee of a professional corporation or partnership, the primary supervising physician and any acting supervising physician are in all cases individually responsible for the direction and supervision of the physician assistant's work. Such responsibility for supervision cannot be transferred to the corporation or partnership. *OAR 847-050-0055*.

## **SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN BASICS**

### **Supervising physician responsibilities**

A supervising physician provides direction and regular review of the medical services provided by the physician assistant and is responsible for the actions of the physician assistant at all times. *OAR 847-050-0010*. A licensed physician must in all cases be regarded as the supervisor of the physician assistant. *OAR 847-050-0005*. The supervising physician must furnish reports, as required by the Board, on the performance of the physician assistant. *OAR 847-050-0040*.

### **Competence**

A supervising physician or the agent of a supervising physician must be competent to perform all the duties delegated to the physician assistant by the supervising physician or by a supervising physician organization (SPO). The supervising physician or SPO must ensure that a physician assistant is competent to perform all the duties delegated to the physician assistant by the supervising physician. *ORS 677.510*.

### **Personal responsibility**

The supervising physician, agent, or, in the case of a SPO, the primary supervising physician and acting supervising physician are individually responsible for the direction, supervision and regular review of the medical services provided by the physician assistant, in keeping with the practice agreement. *OAR 847-050-0037*.

## **SUPERVISION OF THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT**

"Supervision" means the acts of overseeing and accepting responsibility for the medical services provided by the physician assistant in accordance with a practice agreement, including regular and routine clinical oversight and chart review. *ORS 677.495.*

### **Categories/levels of supervision**

There are three categories of supervision:

- (1) "General Supervision" means the supervising physician or designated agent is not on-site with the physician assistant, but is available for direct communication, either in person, by telephone or by other electronic means.
- (2) "Direct Supervision" means the supervising physician or designated agent must be in the facility when the physician assistant is practicing.
- (3) "Personal Supervision" means the supervising physician or designated agent must be at the side of the physician assistant at all times, personally directing the action of the physician assistant. *OAR 847-050-0010.*

The physician assistant must maintain communication with the supervising physician when the physician assistant is providing services; and the proximity of a supervising physician and the methods and means of supervision must be appropriate to the practice setting and the patient conditions treated in the practice setting. *ORS 677.510, OAR 847-050-0010, 847-050-0037.* The degree and methods of supervision (general, direct or personal) that the supervising physician or supervising physician organization (SPO) will use must be specifically described in the practice agreement. The degree of supervision must be based on the level of competency of the physician assistant. *ORS 677.510.*

The supervising physician or designated agent must provide a minimum of eight (8) hours of on-site supervision every month, or as approved by the Board. The supervising physician or designated agent must provide chart review of a percentage of the patients the physician assistant has seen during each month as stated in the practice agreement or Board-approved practice description. *OAR 847-050-0037.*

## **MEDICAL SERVICES RENDERED BY PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS**

The supervising physician may determine which medical and surgical services the physician assistant will perform and the degree of supervision under which the physician assistant performs these services based on the physician assistant's and the supervising physician's competence and scope of practice. *ORS 677.510, 677.515, OAR 847-050-0035.*

The supervising physician or supervising physician organization (SPO) must determine and indicate in the practice agreement or Board-approved practice description the degree of independent judgment that a physician assistant may exercise. *ORS 677.515.* The supervising physician or SPO can limit the degree of independent judgment that the physician assistant uses but **cannot extend it beyond the limits of the practice agreement or Board-approved practice description.** *OAR 847-050-0037.*

The supervising physician must indicate in the practice agreement the level of supervision under which the physician assistant is authorized to perform the listed services, or the list of services and procedures the PA is not approved to perform.

A physician assistant can only perform, at the direction of the supervising physician or agent, the medical services that are included in the practice agreement or Board-approved practice description. *OAR 847-050-0040.* A physician assistant licensed by the Board may provide any medical service, including prescribing and administering controlled substances in schedules II through V under the federal Controlled Substances Act:

- (1) That is delegated by the physician assistant's supervising physician or SPO;
- (2) That is within the competence of the physician assistant;
- (3) That is within the competence of the supervising physician or SPO;
- (4) That is within the scope of practice of the physician assistant;
- (5) That is within the scope of practice of the supervising physician or SPO;
- (6) That is provided under the supervision of the supervising physician or SPO;
- (7) That is generally described in and in compliance with the practice agreement; and
- (8) For which the physician assistant has obtained informed consent, if informed consent is required.

## **PRACTICE AGREEMENTS**

“Practice agreement” means a written agreement between a physician assistant and a supervising physician or supervising physician organization (SPO) that describes the manner in which the services of the physician assistant will be used. *ORS 677.495, OAR 847-050-0010*. A physician assistant may not practice medicine until the physician assistant enters into a practice agreement with a Board-approved supervising physician or primary supervising physician of a SPO. *ORS 677.510*.

The practice agreement must:

- (1) Include the name, contact information and license number of the physician assistant and each supervising physician.
- (2) Describe the level and methods of supervision that the supervising physician or SPO will use. The level of supervision, whether general, direct or personal, must be based on the competency of the physician assistant.
- (3) Generally describe the medical duties delegated to the physician assistant.
- (4) Describe the services or procedures common to the practice or specialty that the physician assistant is not permitted to perform.
- (5) Describe the prescriptive and medication administration privileges that the physician assistant will exercise.
- (6) Provide the list of settings and licensed facilities in which the physician assistant will provide services.
- (7) For patients the physician assistant will see, state the percentage of the charts that the supervising physician will review on a regular basis.
- (8) State that the physician assistant and each supervising physician is in full compliance with the laws and regulations governing the practice of medicine by physician assistants, supervising physicians and SPOs. Acknowledge that violation of laws or regulations governing the practice of medicine may subject the physician assistant and supervising physician or SPO to discipline by the Board.
- (9) Be signed by the supervising physician or the primary supervising physician of the SPO and by the physician assistant. Agents must sign all practice agreements for physician assistants they will supervise.
- (10) Be updated at least every two years, or with any change to the practice agreement. *ORS 677.510*.

The practice agreement must be submitted to the Board within 10 days of the physician assistant beginning practice with the supervising physician or SPO. The supervising physician or SPO must keep a copy of the practice agreement at the practice location and make a copy of the practice agreement available to the Board on request.

## **PRACTICE AGREEMENTS Continued**

### **Practice locations**

A physician assistant may provide medical services in any setting included in the practice agreement, including hospitals, licensed health care facilities, outpatient settings, patient residences, residential facilities, and emergency departments as applicable. *ORS 677.510*. Practice locations, other than primary or secondary practice locations, such as schools, sporting events, health fairs and long term care facilities, are not required to be listed in the practice agreement or Board-approved practice description if the duties are the same as those listed in the practice agreement or Board-approved practice description. The medical records for the patients seen at these additional practice locations must be held either at the supervising physician's primary practice location or the additional practice locations. The supervision of the physician assistant at locations other than the primary or secondary practice location must be the same as for the primary or secondary practice location. *OAR 847-050-0037*.

### **Rotating assignments**

A physician assistant, upon notification to the Board, may retire from active, permanent practice and maintain Active status by practicing at medical facilities for assignments on a rotating basis. A physician assistant who wishes to practice in rotating assignments at permanent locations must have a practice agreement or Board-approved practice description with a supervising physician or supervising physician organization (SPO) and must provide the Board with timely notification of the dates of each assignment prior to beginning each rotating assignment. *OAR 847-050-0046*.

### **Volunteering**

A physician assistant, upon notification to the Board, may retire from active, permanent practice and change to Emeritus status which allows the physician assistant to practice temporary, volunteer assignments. A physician assistant who wishes to volunteer at a medical facility must have a practice agreement or Board-approved practice description with a supervising physician or SPO prior to starting practice at each assignment. *OAR 847-050-0046*.

### **Practice Agreement meeting with the Board**

The practice agreement is not subject to Board approval, but the Board may request a meeting with a supervising physician or SPO and a physician assistant to discuss a practice agreement. *ORS 677.510*.

## **UPDATES TO THE PRACTICE AGREEMENT**

### **Changes to Existing Practice Agreement**

The supervising physician must notify the Board of any changes to the practice agreement within ten days of the effective date of the change. *OAR 847-050-0040*. The practice agreement must be updated at least every two years. *ORS 677.510*. Supervising physicians must validate or update any practice agreements biennially during the supervising physician's license renewal process. *OAR 847-008-0040*. Likewise, physician assistants must verify any existing or updated practice agreements or Board-approved practice descriptions during the physician assistant's license renewal process. *OAR 847-050-0042*.

### **Practice Descriptions Approved Before January 1, 2012**

A "practice description" is a written description of the duties and functions of the physician assistant in relation to the physician's practice, submitted by the supervising physician and the physician assistant to the Board and approved by the Board prior to January 1, 2012. *OAR 847-050-0010*. A physician assistant practicing under a practice description approved by the Board and in effect immediately before January 1, 2012, may continue to practice in accordance with the practice description after January 1, 2012, and is not required to enter into a practice agreement if no change is made to the existing practice description. A supervising physician and physician assistant who have a Board approved practice description that was entered into prior to January 1, 2012, and who wish to make changes to the practice description must enter into a practice agreement. *OAR 847-050-0040*.

## **PRESCRIPTION PRIVILEGES AND ADMINISTRATION**

All prescriptions given by the physician assistant, whether written, electronic, or oral, must include the name, office address, and telephone number of the supervising physician and the name of the physician assistant. The prescription must also bear the name of the patient and the date on which the prescription was written. The physician assistant must sign the prescription and the signature must be followed by the letters "P.A." Also the physician assistant's Federal Drug Enforcement Administration number must be shown on prescriptions for controlled substances. *ORS 677.515, OAR 847-050-0041.*

### **Schedule III-V**

A physician assistant may issue written, electronic or oral prescriptions for medications, Schedule III-V, which the supervising physician has determined the physician assistant is qualified to prescribe commensurate with the practice agreement or Board-approved practice description if the physician assistant:

- (1) has passed the Physician Assistant National Certifying Examination (PANCE), and
- (2) has documented adequate education or experience in pharmacology commensurate with the practice agreement or Board-approved practice description. *OAR 847-050-0041.*

### **Schedule II**

A physician assistant may issue written or oral prescriptions for medications, Schedule II, if the following conditions are met in addition to those above for Schedule III-V:

- (1) The physician assistant is currently certified by the National Commission for the Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) and maintaining this certification, and
- (2) A statement regarding Schedule II controlled substances prescription privileges is included in the practice agreement or Board-approved practice description. The Schedule II controlled substances prescription privileges of a physician assistant are limited by the practice agreement or Board-approved practice description and may be restricted further by the supervising physician at any time. The supervising physician or supervising physician organization (SPO) shall notify the physician assistant and the Board of any additional restrictions imposed by the supervising physician or SPO in the practice agreement. *ORS 677.545, OAR 847-050-0041.*

### **Administration**

Administration refers to the administration of medication to the patient in the office or clinic setting. A supervising physician may delegate to the physician assistant the authority to administer limited emergency medications. The supervising physician must indicate whether or not the physician assistant will administer medications in the practice agreement. *ORS 677.515.*

## **EMERGENCY DISPENSING**

A supervising physician, upon the approval of the Board, may delegate to the physician assistant the authority to dispense limited emergency medications. *ORS 677.515*. Emergency dispensing is a privilege granted to physician assistants to be able to dispense take-home medication to patients in areas where pharmacy access is restricted to the patient because of geographic or financial restraints. The approval of this privilege is usually restricted to rural areas and special populations. A physician assistant will only be approved to dispense emergency Schedule II medications if the physician assistant is qualified to prescribe Schedule II medications and if the practice agreement or Board-approved practice description includes Schedule II controlled substances prescription privileges.

A supervising physician or primary supervising physician of a supervising physician organization (SPO) must be registered with the Board as a dispensing physician before delegating the authority to dispense emergency medications to a physician assistant. *ORS 677.510, OAR 847-050-0041*.

The request for emergency dispensing authority must be indicated in the practice agreement. The application must explain the need for the request, including accessibility to the nearest pharmacy and the medical necessity for emergency dispensing. *OAR 847-050-0041*. The Board will not limit the privilege of dispensing to population groups federally designated as underserved, or to geographic areas of the state that are federally designated health professional shortage areas, federally designated medically underserved areas or areas designated as medically disadvantaged and in need of primary health care providers by the Director of the Oregon Health Authority or the Office of Rural Health. *ORS 677.515*.

Any dispensed medication must be pre-packaged by a licensed pharmacist, manufacturing drug outlet or wholesale drug outlet authorized to do so under ORS 689 and the physician assistant must maintain records of receipt and distribution. *ORS 677.510, OAR 847-050-0041*.

**INFORMED CONSENT**

A physician assistant may obtain informed consent of a patient. In order to obtain the informed consent of a patient, the physician assistant must explain, in general terms, the procedure or treatment to be undertaken, the alternative procedures or methods of treatment, if any, and the risks, if any, to the procedure or treatment. After giving this explanation to the patient, the physician assistant must ask the patient if the patient wants a more detailed explanation. If the patient requests further explanation, the physician or physician assistant must disclose in substantial detail the procedure, the viable alternatives and the material risks unless to do so would be materially detrimental to the patient. *ORS 677.097.*

**DEATH CERTIFICATES**

A physician assistant, practicing under the supervision of a supervising physician or supervising physician organization (SPO), is authorized to complete and sign death certificates. A physician assistant must comply with all laws regarding the filing of death certificates, and death certificates signed by a physician assistant must be accepted as fulfilling all of the laws dealing with death certificates. *ORS 677.518.*

**PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT IDENTIFICATION**

When practicing as a physician assistant, the physician assistant must clearly identify him/herself as a physician assistant and must not, through omission, mislead patients or other health care professionals into believing the physician assistant is a physician or other type of health care provider. The physician assistant must wear a name tag with the title of "physician assistant" clearly displayed. *OAR 847-050-0040.*

## **GROUNDINGS FOR DISCIPLINE**

The supervising physician or agent is responsible for the acts of the physician assistant. The performance of unauthorized medical services by the physician assistant is a violation of the Medical Practice Act, and both the supervising physician and the physician assistant are subject to disciplinary actions. *OAR 847-050-0035.*

The Board may refuse to grant, or may suspend or revoke a license to practice as a physician assistant for any of the following reasons:

- (1) The physician assistant held him/herself out, or allowed another to represent the physician assistant, as a licensed physician.
- (2) The physician assistant has performed medical services without the direction or under the supervision of a Board-approved supervising physician or agent of the supervising physician.
- (3) The physician assistant has performed a task or tasks beyond the physician assistant's competence, outside the scope of practice of the supervising physician, or outside the practice agreement. However, this is not intended to limit the ability of a physician assistant to learn new procedures under personal supervision. *OAR 847-050-0035.*

## **PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT/SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN RATIO LIMITS**

### **Number of physician assistants**

A supervising physician who is not acting as part of a supervising physician organization (SPO) may supervise four physician assistants. The Board may review and approve requests for a supervising physician to supervise more than four physician assistants. *ORS 677.510.*

### **Number of supervising physicians**

If a physician assistant is not supervised by a SPO, the physician assistant may be supervised by no more than four supervising physicians. The Board may review and approve requests for a physician assistant to be supervised by more than four supervising physicians or the supervising physicians may apply to the Board to become a SPO. *ORS 677.510.*

## **AGENTS**

"Agent" means a physician designated in writing by the supervising physician who provides direction and regular review of the medical services of a physician assistant when the supervising physician is unavailable for short periods of time, such as, but not limited to when the supervising physician is on vacation. *OAR 847-050-0010*. A supervising physician who is not a member of a supervising physician organization (SPO) may designate an agent or agents to direct and supervise the physician assistant when the supervising physician is unavailable for short periods of time. Agents need not be designated by supervising physicians who are members of a SPO as any physician within the SPO may supervise the PA. *ORS 677.510, OAR 847-050-0038*.

The agent of a supervising physician must be competent to perform all the duties delegated to the physician assistant by the supervising physician or by a SPO. *ORS 677.510*. An agent must be licensed as a medical or osteopathic physician in Oregon; actively registered and in good standing with the Board; practice in the same city or practice area as the supervising physician or physician assistant; be qualified to supervise as designated in the practice agreement; and be competent to perform the duties delegated to the physician assistant. *OAR 847-050-0038*.

The supervising physician is responsible for informing the agent of the duties of an agent. In the absence of the supervising physician, the agent assumes the same responsibilities as the supervising physician. Before the agent begins supervising the physician assistant, the supervising physician must ensure that the agent understands and accepts supervisory responsibility. An agent must sign an acknowledgement of all practice agreements under which the agent will be supervising a PA, and a copy of the signed practice agreement must be kept at the primary practice location. Supervision by the agent will continue for a certain, predetermined, limited period of time, after which supervisory duties revert back to the supervising physician. *OAR 847-050-0038*.

## **LOCUM TENENS ASSIGNMENTS**

A locum tenens assignment applies to the temporary use of either a substitute supervising physician or a substitute physician assistant for more extended absences than that for which an agent may be used. A supervising physician may substitute for a supervising physician; a physician assistant may substitute for a physician assistant.

The supervising physician who is filling the locum tenens assignment must be qualified to supervise the physician assistant as described in the current practice agreement or Board-approved practice description. The physician assistant who is filling the locum tenens assignment must be qualified to provide the services as described in the current practice agreement or Board-approved practice description.

The following is required for a locum tenens assignment:

- (1) Within 10 days of the start of the locum tenens assignment, the supervising physician of the practice which desires the substitute must submit a notification of locum tenens assignment to the Board.
- (2) The notification of locum tenens assignment must include the name of the substitute supervising physician or physician assistant who is filling the locum tenens assignment, duration of the locum tenens assignment, a description of how supervision of the physician assistant will be maintained, and any changes in the practice agreement or Board-approved practice description for the practice during the locum tenens assignment.
- (3) The substitute physician assistant who is filling the locum tenens assignment must be currently licensed in Oregon, with active, locums tenens, or emeritus registration status, and be in good standing with the Board. The substitute supervising physician who is filling the locum tenens assignment must be currently licensed in Oregon, with active, locums tenens, or emeritus registration status, and be in good standing with the Board.
- (4) The physician assistant who is filling the locum tenens assignment must be qualified to provide the same type of service as described in the current practice agreement or Board-approved practice description for the locum tenens.
- (5) The supervising physician who is filling the locum tenens assignment must be approved as a supervising physician by the Board. *OAR 847-050-0029.*

## **PRECEPTORSHIPS – PA STUDENTS**

Where applicable, any person who is enrolled as a student in any school offering an accredited physician assistant education program must comply with the Board's administrative rules governing physician assistants. A student enrolled in a Board-approved physician assistant education program may render medical services if the services are rendered in the course of the program. *ORS 677.515*. The Board refers to this as a preceptorship. The services rendered under a preceptorship must be within the scope of an accredited physician assistant education program and the services must be approved by the Board. A supervising physician who is supervising a physician assistant student under a preceptorship is not required to file a practice agreement with the Board. The student's training program must notify the Board of the dates and location of the preceptorship and the name of the responsible Oregon licensed physician (supervising physician) in advance of the preceptorship. *OAR 847-050-0060*.

## **ENDING THE SUPERVISORY RELATIONSHIP**

### **Notice of Termination of Supervision**

Upon termination of a supervisory relationship, both the supervising physician and the physician assistant must submit to the Board a written report concerning the reason(s) for termination of the relationship.

This report must be submitted to the Board within 15 days following termination of supervision. *OAR 847-050-0050*

### **Inactive Registration and Reactivation**

Any physician assistant licensed in Oregon who changes location to some other state or country, or who is not in a current supervisory relationship with a licensed physician for six months or more, will be listed by the Board as inactive. If the physician assistant wishes to resume active status to practice in Oregon, the physician assistant must complete the reactivation process and be approved by the Board before beginning active practice in Oregon. *OAR 847-050-0043*

**LINKS to MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT and ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

ORS 677 Physician Assistants (see 677.495 -  
.545): [http://www.oregon.gov/OMB/PDFforms/ORS\\_677\\_2011.pdf](http://www.oregon.gov/OMB/PDFforms/ORS_677_2011.pdf)

OAR 847 Division 050: [http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/pages/rules/oars\\_800/oar\\_847/847\\_050.html](http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/pages/rules/oars_800/oar_847/847_050.html)