

**RULE IMPACT STATEMENT  
PROPOSED PERMANENT RULE**

**TITLE 435. STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND SUPERVISION  
CHAPTER 15. PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS**

**PROPOSED RULES:**

- Subchapter 1. General Provisions
- 435:15-1-1.1. Definitions [AMENDED]
- Subchapter 3. Licensure of Physician Assistants
- 435:15-3-1. Qualification; application [AMENDED]
- 435:15-3-13. Supervising Delegating physician; alternatives [AMENDED]
- 435:15-3-17. Continuing education for renewal [AMENDED]
- 435:15-3-19. Locum tenens [REVOKED]
- Subchapter 5. Regulation of Practice
- 435:15-5-10. Prescriptions [AMENDED]
- 435:15-5-11. Discipline [AMENDED]
- Subchapter 11. Prescriptive Guidelines and Drug Formulary
- 435:15-11-1. Prescriptive and dispensing authority [AMENDED]
- 435:15-11-2. Drug formulary [AMENDED]

**PURPOSE OF PROPOSED RULE:**

The proposed revisions make amendments in the level of supervision of PAs by expanding the current exceptions to the current MD/PA supervision ratio of one physician up to six (6) mid-level practitioners in any combination. The proposed revisions also make amendments to the prescription authority by, including but not limited to, allowing PAs to prescribe Schedule II drugs while removing the limitation of writing prescriptions only “on site” and authorizing prescriptions for non-controlled medications to be written for up to a 90-day supply with three refills. The rules also eliminate the requirement for an inclusive formulary relating to the prescribing ability of PAs. Additionally, the rules set forth application and practice agreement requirements and revoke the requirements for practicing locum tenens in Oklahoma in harmony with current law.

**CLASSES AFFECTED:**

The classes of persons most likely to be affected by the proposed amendments are Physicians, Physician Assistants and those members of the public receiving care provided from a Physician Assistant. No information on cost impact has been received by the agency from private or public entities to date.

**PERSONS BENEFITTED:**

The classes of persons most likely to benefit from the proposed amendments are Physician Assistants and those members of the public receiving care provided from a Physician Assistant.

**PROBABLE ECONOMIC IMPACT:**

1. On affected classes: There will be little or no impact due to the proposed changes in these rules.
2. On political subdivision: There will be little or no impact due to the proposed changes in these rules.
3. Fees: There will be little or no impact due to the proposed changes in these rules.

**PROBABLE COST TO THE AGENCY:**

Minimal administrative only. No additional personnel or budget expenses are anticipated.

**WILL THE RULE IMPACT POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS:**

No economic impact, or a need for cooperation from political subdivisions, is anticipated.

**SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT:**

There is no anticipated adverse impact on small business, with reference to Sections 303 (A) (4) and 304 (b) (6) of the APA.

**ALTERNATIVE METHODS AND COSTS OF COMPLIANCE:**

There are no apparent alternative methods for compliance. The Agency does not anticipate any additional costs of administration due to implementation of these rule changes.

**PUBLIC HEALTH/ SAFETY CONCERNS:**

There will be no adverse impact or concerns with public safety or environment that will result for this proposed rule change.

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