

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to professions and occupations;
8 amending 59 O.S. 2011, Section 519.3, which relates
9 to the Physician Assistant Act; clarifying language;
10 and providing an effective date.

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

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 519.3, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 519.3 A. There is hereby created the Physician
15 Assistant Committee, which shall be composed of seven (7) members.
16 Two members of the Committee shall be physician assistants appointed
17 by the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision from a list
18 of qualified individuals submitted by the Oklahoma Academy of
19 Physician Assistants. One member shall be a physician appointed by
20 the Board from its membership. One member shall be a physician
21 appointed by the Board from a list of qualified individuals
22 submitted by the Oklahoma State Medical Association and who is not a
23 member of the Board. One member shall be a physician appointed by
24 the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners from its membership. One

1 member shall be a physician appointed by the State Board of
2 Osteopathic Examiners from a list of qualified individuals submitted
3 by the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association and who is not a member of
4 said board. One member shall be a licensed pharmacist appointed by
5 the Board of Pharmacy.

6 B. The term of office for each member of the Committee shall be
7 five (5) years. Provided, of those members initially appointed to
8 the Committee by the Board, two shall serve three-year terms and two
9 shall serve five-year terms, as designated by the Board; of those
10 members initially appointed to the Committee by the State Board of
11 Osteopathic Examiners, one shall serve a two-year term and one shall
12 serve a four-year term, as designated by said board; and the member
13 initially appointed by the Board of Pharmacy shall serve a five-year
14 term.

15 C. The Committee shall meet at least quarterly. At the initial
16 meeting of the Committee, members shall elect a chair. The chair
17 shall represent the Committee at all meetings of the Board. Four
18 members shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting
19 official business of the Committee.

20 D. The State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision is
21 hereby granted the power and authority to promulgate rules, which
22 are in accordance with the provisions of Section 519.1 et seq. of
23 this title, governing the requirements for licensure as a physician
24 assistant, as well as to establish standards for training, approve

1 institutions for training, and regulate the standards of practice of
2 a physician assistant after licensure, including the power of
3 revocation of a license.

4 E. The State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision is
5 hereby granted the power and authority to investigate all
6 complaints, hold hearings, subpoena witnesses and initiate
7 prosecution concerning violations of Section 519.1 et seq. of this
8 title. When such complaints involve physicians licensed by the
9 State Board of Osteopathic Examiners, the State Board of Osteopathic
10 Examiners shall be officially notified of such complaints.

11 F. 1. The Committee shall advise the Board on matters
12 pertaining to physician assistants, including, but not limited to:

- 13 a. educational standards required to practice as a
14 physician assistant,
- 15 b. licensure requirements required to practice as a
16 physician assistant,
- 17 c. methods and requirements to assure the continued
18 competence of physician assistants after licensure,
- 19 d. the drugs and other medical supplies for which
20 physician assistants are permitted to prescribe and
21 order under the direction of their supervising
22 physicians,
- 23 e. the grounds for revocation or suspension of a license
24 for a physician assistant,

1 f. education and experience requirements to receive
2 approval to practice in remote patient care settings,
3 and

4 g. all other matters which may pertain to the practice of
5 physician assistants.

6 2. The Committee shall review and make recommendations to the
7 Board on all applications for licensure as a physician assistant and
8 all applications to practice which shall be approved by the Board.
9 When considering applicants for licensure, to establish standards of
10 training or approve institutions for training, the Committee shall
11 include the Director, or designee, of all Physician Assistant
12 educational programs conducted by institutions of higher education
13 in the state as members.

14 3. The Committee shall assist and advise the Board in all
15 hearings involving physician assistants who are deemed to be in
16 violation of Section 519.1 et seq. of this title or the rules of the
17 Board.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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