

RCW 18.71A.050 Physician's liability, responsibility. (Effective until January 1, 2025.) No physician who enters into a practice agreement with a licensed physician assistant in accordance with and within the terms of any permission granted by the commission is considered as aiding and abetting an unlicensed person to practice medicine. The supervising physician and physician assistant shall each retain professional and personal responsibility for any act which constitutes the practice of medicine as defined in RCW 18.71.011 or the practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery as defined in RCW 18.57.001 when performed by the physician assistant. [2020 c 80 s 7; 1994 sp.s. c 9 s 323; 1993 c 28 s 8; 1990 c 196 s 5; 1986 c 259 s 114; 1971 ex.s. c 30 s 5.]

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Intent—2020 c 80: See note following RCW 18.71A.010.

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RCW 18.71A.050 Physician's and employer's liability, responsibility of physician assistant. (Effective January 1, 2025.) No physician or employer who enters into a collaboration agreement with a licensed physician assistant in accordance with and within the terms of any permission granted by the commission is considered as aiding and abetting an unlicensed person to practice medicine. The physician assistant shall retain responsibility for any act which constitutes the practice of medicine as defined in RCW 18.71.011 or the practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery as defined in RCW 18.57.001 when performed by the physician assistant. [2024 c 62 s 6; 2020 c 80 s 7; 1994 sp.s. c 9 s 323; 1993 c 28 s 8; 1990 c 196 s 5; 1986 c 259 s 114; 1971 ex.s. c 30 s 5.]

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