

WAC 246-854-005 Definitions. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(1) "Board" means the Washington state board of osteopathic medicine and surgery.

(2) "Delegation agreement" means a mutually agreed upon plan, as detailed in WAC 246-854-021, between a sponsoring osteopathic physician and an osteopathic physician assistant, which describes the manner and extent to which the osteopathic physician assistant will practice and be supervised.

(3) "NCCPA" means National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants.

(4) "Osteopathic physician assistant" means a person who is licensed under chapter 18.57A RCW by the board to practice medicine to a limited extent only under the supervision of a physician as detailed in a delegation agreement approved by the board.

(5) "Remote site" means a setting physically separate from the sponsoring or supervising physician's primary place for meeting patients or a setting where the physician is present less than twenty-five percent of the practice time of the osteopathic physician assistant.

(6) "Supervising physician" means a sponsoring or alternate physician providing clinical oversight for a physician assistant.

(a) "Sponsoring physician" means any osteopathic physician licensed under chapter 18.57 RCW and identified in a delegation agreement as providing primary clinical and administrative oversight for a physician assistant.

(b) "Alternate physician(s)" means any physician licensed under chapter 18.57 or 18.71 RCW who provides clinical oversight of a physician assistant in place of or in addition to the sponsoring physician.

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