

Diagram of Delegated-Site-Based Prescriptive (Rx) Authority for APRNs in Texas

STEP 1: TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING REGULATES APRNs
 BON Verifies Education and National Certification & Issues Rx Authority Number to Qualified APRNs

STEP 2: TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD REGULATES DELEGATING PHYSICIANS
 Is Physician Willing to Delegate Prescriptive Authority and Meet Supervision Requirements from 1 of 4 Categories?

Qualified APRN may not prescribe

Site Serving Medically Underserved Population (MUP)
 Public Health Clinic
 Rural Health Clinic
 Practice located in:
 Health Professional Shortage Area
 Medically Underserved Area
 DSHS-determined MUP

- Supervision**
- Limited to 3 MUP sites
 - Onsite 1x every 10 business days
 - 10% chart review & co-signs charts
 - Keeps log of onsite activities
 - Receives daily report on problems
 - Available for emergencies by phone
 - Reviews & signs delegation protocol

Primary Practice
 Physician onsite 50.1% of the time
 OR
 APRN seeing physician's patients in a:
 Licensed Hospital
 Long-Term Care Facility
 Adult Daycare Facility
 Patient's Residence
 School-Based Clinic
 Any place physician is present
 AND
 If physician with APRN 50.1%
 Voluntary Charity Care Clinic
 Declared Disaster Site

- Supervision**
- Limited to 4 FTEs (including alternate site)
 - QA Process
 - Consistent with sound medical judgment
 - Reviews & signs delegation protocol
 - May only delegate Rx authority for patients with whom the physician has or will establish a physician/patient relationship, but no timeframe specified

Alternate Practice
 Within 75 miles of physician's practice or residence;
 Services similar to physician's primary site

- Supervision**
- Limited to 4 FTEs (including primary site)
 - Physician onsite 10% with APRN /month
 - 10% chart review (electronic or onsite)
 - Keeps log of onsite activities
 - Available by phone for referral, consultation or emergencies
 - Reviews & signs delegation protocol

Facility-Based Practice
 2 Long-Term Care Facilities
 OR
 1 Licensed Hospital

- Supervision Licensed Hospital**
- May only delegate Rx authority for patients of physicians who gave prior consent
 - QA process
 - Consistent with sound medical judgment
 - Reviews & signs delegation protocol

- Supervision Long-Term Care Facility**
- Medical Director only
 - May only delegate Rx authority for patients of physicians who gave prior consent
 - Limited to 4 FTEs (including both LTC facilities)
 - QA Process
 - Consistent with sound medical judgment
 - Reviews & signs delegation

Physician & APRN complete TMB's online Delegation of Prescriptive Authority process.

Qualified APRN May Prescribe Dangerous Drugs