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GUIDANCE FOR PHYSICIAN DELEGATION TO AN UNLICENSED PERSON

Pursuant to the Medical Practice Act, 225 ILCS 60/54.2:

In an office or practice setting and within a physician-patient relationship, a physician may delegate patient care tasks or duties to an unlicensed person who possesses appropriate training and experience provided a health care professional, who is practicing within the scope of such licensed professional's individual licensing Act, is on site to provide assistance.

Any such patient care task or duty delegated to an unlicensed person must be within the scope of practice, education, training, or experience of the delegating physician and within the context of a physician-patient relationship.

No physician may delegate any patient care task or duty that is statutorily or by rule mandated to be performed by a physician.