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30 | has the right to see the physician prior to any prescription
31 | being prescribed or dispensed by the physician assistant.

32 | 2. The supervisory physician must notify the department of
33 | his or her intent to delegate, on a department-approved form,
34 | before delegating such authority and notify the department of
35 | any change in prescriptive privileges of the physician
36 | assistant. Authority to dispense may be delegated only by a
37 | supervising physician who is registered as a dispensing
38 | practitioner in compliance with s. 465.0276.

39 | 3. The physician assistant must file with the department a
40 | signed affidavit that he or she has completed a minimum of 10
41 | continuing medical education hours in the specialty practice in
42 | which the physician assistant has prescriptive privileges with
43 | each licensure renewal application.

44 | 4. The department may issue a prescriber number to the
45 | physician assistant granting authority for the prescribing of
46 | medicinal drugs authorized within this paragraph upon completion
47 | of the foregoing requirements. The physician assistant shall not
48 | be required to independently register pursuant to s. 465.0276.

49 | 5. The prescription must be written in a form that
50 | complies with chapter 499 and must contain, in addition to the
51 | supervisory physician's name, address, and telephone number, the
52 | physician assistant's prescriber number. Unless it is a drug or
53 | drug sample dispensed by the physician assistant, the
54 | prescription must be filled in a pharmacy permitted under
55 | chapter 465 and must be dispensed in that pharmacy by a
56 | pharmacist licensed under chapter 465. The appearance of the

57 prescriber number creates a presumption that the physician
58 assistant is authorized to prescribe the medicinal drug and the
59 prescription is valid.

60 6. The physician assistant must note the prescription or
61 dispensing of medication in the appropriate medical record.

62 ~~7. This paragraph does not prohibit a supervisory~~
63 ~~physician from delegating to a physician assistant the authority~~
64 ~~to order medication for a hospitalized patient of the~~
65 ~~supervisory physician.~~

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68 ~~chapter 395.~~

69 (g) A supervisory physician may delegate to a licensed
70 physician assistant the authority to order medications for the
71 supervisory physician's patient during the patient's care in a
72 facility licensed under chapter 395, notwithstanding any
73 provision in chapter 465 or chapter 893 that may prohibit such
74 delegation. For the purpose of this paragraph, an order is not
75 considered a prescription. A licensed physician assistant
76 working in a facility that is licensed under chapter 395 may
77 order any medication under the direction of the supervisory
78 physician.

79 Section 2. Paragraph (e) of subsection (4) of section
80 459.022, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (f) is
81 added to that subsection, to read:

82 459.022 Physician assistants.—

83 (4) PERFORMANCE OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.—

84 (e) A supervisory physician may delegate to a fully

85 licensed physician assistant the authority to prescribe or
86 dispense any medication used in the supervisory physician's
87 practice unless such medication is listed on the formulary
88 created pursuant to s. 458.347. A fully licensed physician
89 assistant may only prescribe or dispense such medication under
90 the following circumstances:

91 1. A physician assistant must clearly identify to the
92 patient that she or he is a physician assistant. Furthermore,
93 the physician assistant must inform the patient that the patient
94 has the right to see the physician prior to any prescription
95 being prescribed or dispensed by the physician assistant.

96 2. The supervisory physician must notify the department of
97 her or his intent to delegate, on a department-approved form,
98 before delegating such authority and notify the department of
99 any change in prescriptive privileges of the physician
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116 physician assistant's prescriber number. Unless it is a drug or
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119 chapter 465, and must be dispensed in that pharmacy by a
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142 | physician.

143 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.