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**Department of Health and Hospitals**  
**Board of Medical Examiners**

Public Hearing—Substantive Changes to Proposed Rule Amendments—Physician Assistants; Authority and Limitations of Supervising Physician (LAC 46:XLV.4507)

The board published a Notice of Intent to amend its rules in the July 20, 2010, edition of the *Louisiana Register* (LR 37:2285-2286). The notice solicited views, arguments, information, written comments and testimony. As a result of its consideration of the written comments and testimony received, the board proposes to amend §4507.C.1, §4507.C.3 and §4507.D of the proposed Rule amendments so that, as amended, these provisions will read as set forth below.

In accordance with R.S. 49:968(H)(2), a public hearing on proposed substantive changes will be held by the board on January 24, 2012, at 8:45 a.m. at the offices of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, 630 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130.

**Title 46**  
**PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL**  
**STANDARDS**  
**Part XLV. Medical Professions**  
**Subpart 3. Practice**

**Chapter 45. Physician Assistants**  
**§4507. Authority and Limitations of Supervising Physician**

A. - B. ...

C. An SP may delegate certain medical services beyond core competencies to a PA provided:

1. the SP is trained and qualified in and performs the service in the course and scope of his or her practice. If the service is provided in a hospital the SP and the PA shall be credentialed to provide the service. PA credentialing shall be in the manner specified in C.5.a of this Section;

2. ...

3. the SP provides a level of supervision appropriate to the risk to the patient and the potential for complications requiring the physician's personal attention;

4. - 5.b. ...

D. An SP:

1. may not serve as a PSP for more than two PAs;  
2. shall not act as a SP for more than four PAs simultaneously at the same time.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1270(B)(6), R.S. 37:1360.23(D) and (F), R.S. 37:1360.31(B)(8).

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Medical Examiners, LR 4:112 (April 1978), amended LR 17:1106 (November 1991), LR 22:205 (March 1996), LR 25:32 (January 1999), LR 34:246 (February 2008), LR 38:

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