

REFERENCE TITLE: **medical assistants; scope of practice**

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Introduced by
Representative Bliss

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 32-1456, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Section 32-1456, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:
4 32-1456. Medical assistants; allowable tasks; training; use
5 of title; violation; classification
6 A. A medical assistant may perform the following medical procedures
7 under the direct supervision of a doctor of medicine, physician assistant
8 or nurse practitioner:
9 1. Take body fluid specimens.
10 2. Administer injections.
11 3. IF THE MEDICAL ASSISTANT HAS COMPLETED THE APPROPRIATE TRAINING,
12 PLACE A CATHETER.
13 B. The board by rule may prescribe other medical procedures that a
14 medical assistant may perform under the direct supervision of a doctor of
15 medicine, physician assistant or nurse practitioner on a determination by
16 the board that the procedures may be competently performed by a medical
17 assistant.
18 C. Without the direct supervision of a doctor of medicine,
19 physician assistant or nurse practitioner, a medical assistant may do the
20 following tasks:
21 1. Perform billing and coding.
22 2. Verify insurance.
23 3. Make patient appointments.
24 4. Perform scheduling.
25 5. Record the findings of a doctor of medicine in patient charts
26 and transcribe materials in patient charts and records.
27 6. Perform visual acuity screening as part of a routine physical.
28 7. Take and record patient vital signs and medical history on
29 medical records.
30 8. Communicate documented medical advice, documented interpretation
31 of test results and documented orders from a doctor of medicine, physician
32 assistant or nurse practitioner.
33 9. Obtain, process and communicate medication or procedure prior
34 authorization as documented and ordered by a doctor of medicine, physician
35 assistant or nurse practitioner.
36 D. The board by rule shall prescribe medical assistant training
37 requirements. The training requirements for a medical assistant may be
38 satisfied through a training program that meets all of the following:
39 1. Is designed and offered by a physician.
40 2. Meets or exceeds any of the approved training program
41 requirements specified in rule.
42 3. Verifies the entry-level competencies of a medical assistant as
43 prescribed by rule.

1 4. Provides written verification to the individual of successful
2 completion of the training program.

3 E. A person who uses the title "medical assistant" or a related
4 abbreviation is guilty of a class 3 misdemeanor unless that person is
5 working as a medical assistant under the direct supervision of a doctor of
6 medicine, physician assistant or nurse practitioner or possesses written
7 verification of successful completion of a training program provided
8 pursuant to subsection D of this section.