

**PUBLIC HEALTH CODE (EXCERPT)**

**Act 368 of 1978**

**PART 170**

**MEDICINE**

**333.17001 Definitions; principles of construction.**

Sec. 17001. (1) As used in this part:

(a) "Academic institution" means either of the following:

(i) A medical school approved by the board.

(ii) A hospital licensed under article 17 that meets all of the following requirements:

(A) Was the sole sponsor or a co-sponsor, if each other co-sponsor is either a medical school approved by the board or a hospital owned by the federal government and directly operated by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, of not less than 4 postgraduate education residency programs approved by the board under section 17031(1) for not less than the 3 years immediately preceding the date of an application for a limited license under section 16182(2)(c) or an application for a full license under section 17031(2), if at least 1 of the residency programs is in the specialty area of medical practice, or in a specialty area that includes the subspecialty of medical practice, in which the applicant for a limited license proposes to practice or in which the applicant for a full license has practiced for the hospital.

(B) Has spent not less than \$2,000,000.00 for medical education during each of the 3 years immediately preceding the date of an application for a limited license under section 16182(2)(c) or an application for a full license under section 17031(2). As used in this sub-subparagraph, "medical education" means the education of physicians and candidates for degrees or licenses to become physicians, including, but not limited to, physician staff, residents, interns, and medical students.

(b) "Electrodiagnostic studies" means the testing of neuromuscular functions utilizing nerve conduction tests and needle electromyography. It does not include the use of surface electromyography.

(c) "Genetic counselor" means an individual who is licensed under this part to engage in the practice of genetic counseling.

(d) "Medical care services" means those services within the scope of practice of physicians who are licensed or authorized by the board, except those services that the board prohibits or otherwise restricts within a practice agreement or determines shall not be delegated by a physician because a delegation would endanger the health and safety of patients as provided for in section 17048(1).

(e) "Participating physician" means a physician, a physician designated by a group of physicians under section 17049 to represent that group, or a physician designated by a health facility or agency under section 20174 to represent that health facility or agency.

(f) "Physician" means an individual who is licensed or authorized under this article to engage in the practice of medicine.

(g) "Podiatrist" means an individual who is licensed under this article to engage in the practice of podiatric medicine and surgery.

(h) "Practice agreement" means an agreement described in section 17047.

(i) "Practice of genetic counseling" means provision of any of the following services:

(i) Obtaining and evaluating individual, family, and medical histories to determine the genetic risk for genetic or medical conditions or diseases in a client, the client's descendants, or other family members of the client.

(ii) Discussing with a client the features, natural history, means of diagnosis, genetic and environmental factors, and management of the genetic risks of genetic or medical conditions or diseases.

(iii) Identifying and coordinating appropriate genetic laboratory tests and other diagnostic studies for genetic assessment of a client.

(iv) Integrating genetic laboratory test results and other diagnostic studies with personal and family medical history to assess and communicate a client's risk factors for genetic or medical conditions or diseases.

(v) Explaining to a client the clinical implications of genetic laboratory tests and other diagnostic studies and their results.

(vi) Evaluating the responses of a client and the client's family to a genetic or medical condition or disease or to the risk of recurrence of that condition or disease and providing client-centered counseling and anticipatory guidance.

(vii) Identifying and utilizing community resources that provide medical, educational, financial, and psychosocial support and advocacy to a client.

(viii) Providing written documentation of medical, genetic, and counseling information for families of and

health care professionals of a client.

(j) "Practice of medicine" means the diagnosis, treatment, prevention, cure, or relieving of a human disease, ailment, defect, complaint, or other physical or mental condition, by attendance, advice, device, diagnostic test, or other means, or offering, undertaking, attempting to do, or holding oneself out as able to do, any of these acts.

(k) "Practice as a physician's assistant" means the practice of medicine with a participating physician under a practice agreement.

(l) "Qualified supervisor" means an individual who is a genetic counselor and who holds a license under this part other than a temporary or limited license.

(m) "Task force" means the joint task force created in section 17025.

(n) "Temporary licensed genetic counselor" means a genetic counselor who has been issued a temporary license under this article.

(2) In addition to the definitions in this part, article 1 contains definitions and principles of construction applicable to all articles in this code and part 161 contains definitions applicable to this part.

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**Compiler's note:** For transfer of powers and duties of certain health-related functions, boards, and commissions from the Department of Licensing and Regulation to the Department of Commerce, see E.R.O. No. 1991-9, compiled at MCL 338.3501 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

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### **333.17008 Physician's assistant; health profession subfield.**

Sec. 17008. Practice as a physician's assistant is a health profession subfield of the practice of medicine, osteopathic medicine and surgery, and podiatric medicine and surgery.

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### **333.17011 License or authorization required; granting license to individuals meeting certain requirements; prohibition; conditions for granting license; use of words, titles, or letters.**

Sec. 17011. (1) An individual shall not engage in the practice of medicine or practice as a physician's assistant unless licensed or otherwise authorized by this article. An individual shall not engage in teaching or research that requires the practice of medicine unless the individual is licensed or otherwise authorized by this article.

(2) Notwithstanding section 16145 or rules promulgated under that section, the board may grant a license to an individual who meets the requirements of section 16186 or 17031(2) after reviewing the applicant's record of practice, experience, and credentials and determining that the applicant is competent to practice medicine.

(3) For individuals applying for licensure under section 16186, the board shall not impose requirements on graduates of medical schools located outside the United States or Canada that exceed the requirements imposed on graduates of medical schools located in the United States or Canada.

(4) Notwithstanding section 16145 or rules promulgated under that section, the board may grant a license in accordance with section 16186 after determining that each of the following conditions is satisfied:

(a) The applicant has disclosed that a sanction is in force against him or her as described in section 16174(2)(b) and considering the reasons for the sanction and the applicant's record of practice, experience, credentials, and competence to engage in the practice of medicine, that sanction should not prevent the applicant from being granted a license in this state.

(b) The sanction imposed by the other state is not permanent.

(c) The sanction imposed by the other state was not the result of a patient safety violation.

(d) If the applicant was required by the state that imposed the sanction to participate in and complete a probationary period or treatment plan as a condition of the continuation of his or her licensure, the applicant did not complete the probationary period or treatment plan because the applicant ceased engaging in the practice of medicine in that state.

(e) As a condition of licensure under this subsection, the applicant voluntarily agrees to complete a probationary period or treatment plan, the terms of which are no less stringent than those imposed by the state that imposed the sanction.

(5) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the following words, titles, or letters or a combination thereof, with or without qualifying words or phrases, are restricted in use only to those individuals authorized

under this part to use the terms and in a way prescribed in this part: "doctor of medicine", "m.d.", "physician's assistant", and "p.a.". Notwithstanding section 16261, an individual who was specially trained at an institution of higher education in this state to assist a physician in the field of orthopedics and, upon completion of training, received a 2-year associate of science degree as an orthopedic physician's assistant before January 1, 1977 may use the title "orthopedic physician's assistant" whether or not the individual is licensed under this part.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1980, Act 2, Imd. Eff. Feb. 6, 1980;—Am. 1990, Act 248, Imd. Eff. Oct. 12, 1990;—Am. 1993, Act 79, Eff. Apr. 1, 1994;—Am. 2006, Act 385, Imd. Eff. Sept. 27, 2006;—Am. 2006, Act 398, Imd. Eff. Sept. 27, 2006.

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### **333.17011a Expedited license under the interstate medical licensure compact; authorization to engage in practice of medicine; "interstate medical licensure compact" defined.**

Sec. 17011a. (1) An allopathic physician who holds an expedited license under the interstate medical licensure compact is authorized to engage in the practice of medicine under this article.

(2) For purposes of this article, including the obligations of an individual who is licensed as a physician under this part, an allopathic physician who holds an expedited license under the interstate medical licensure compact is considered a physician who is licensed under this part.

(3) As used in this section, "interstate medical licensure compact" means the interstate medical licensure compact as enacted in section 16189.

**History:** Add. 2018, Act 524, Eff. Mar. 28, 2019.

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### **333.17012 Postgraduate medical study requiring practice of medicine; full or limited license required; requirements of limited license; training; renewing limited license.**

Sec. 17012. (1) An individual shall not engage in postgraduate medical study which requires the practice of medicine by that individual without a full or limited license to practice under this part.

(2) A limited license for a postgraduate shall require that the individual confine his or her practice and training to a hospital or institution approved by the board for the training. The hospital or institution is responsible for the training. A limited license for a postgraduate is renewable for not more than 5 years.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978.

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### **333.17013 Alternative methods of treatment of breast cancer; duty of physician to inform patient; standardized written summary or brochure; form; civil action.**

Sec. 17013. (1) Beginning November 6, 1986, a physician who is administering the primary treatment for breast cancer to a patient who has been diagnosed as having breast cancer shall inform the patient, orally and in writing, about alternative methods of treatment of the cancer, including surgical, radiological, or chemotherapeutic treatments, or any other generally accepted medical treatment. The physician also shall inform the patient about the advantages, disadvantages, and risks of each method of treatment and about the procedures involved in each method of treatment.

(2) If a patient receives a standardized written summary or brochure, as described in this subsection or subsection (3), the physician shall be in full compliance with this section, including both the written and oral requirements. The standardized written summary:

(a) Shall be developed by the department of public health in cooperation with the chronic disease advisory committee.

(b) Shall be drafted in nontechnical terms that the patient can understand.

(c) Shall inform the patient about alternative methods of treatment of breast cancer, including surgical, radiological, or chemotherapeutic treatments, or any other generally accepted medical treatment.

(d) Shall inform the patient about the advantages, disadvantages, and risks of each method of treatment and about the procedures involved in each method of treatment.

(e) The standardized written summary or a brochure described in subsection (3), or both, shall be made available to physicians through the Michigan board of medicine and the Michigan board of osteopathic medicine and surgery. The Michigan board of medicine and the Michigan board of osteopathic medicine and surgery shall notify in writing all physicians subject to this section of the requirements of this section and the availability of the standardized written summary by October 16, 1986.

(3) For purposes of subsection (2), a physician may use a brochure which contains information substantially similar to that contained in the standardized written summary developed by the department of public health and which is approved by the department of public health.

(4) The department of public health, after consultation with appropriate professional organizations, shall develop the standardized written summary required by subsection (2) by October 6, 1986.

(5) A form, signed by the patient, indicating that the patient has been given a copy of the brochure or the standardized written summary shall be included in the patient's medical record.

(6) A physician's duty to inform a patient under this section does not require disclosure of information beyond what a reasonably well-qualified physician licensed under this article would know.

(7) A patient who signs a form pursuant to subsection (5) shall be barred from subsequently bringing a civil action against the physician providing the summary or brochure described in subsection (2) and (3) based on failure to obtain informed consent, but only in regard to information pertaining to alternative forms of treatment of breast cancer, and the advantages, disadvantages, and risks of each method.

**History:** Add. 1986, Act 195, Imd. Eff. July 8, 1986;—Am. 1989, Act 15, Imd. Eff. May 15, 1989.

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### **333.17014 Repealed. 2023, Act 209, Eff. Feb. 13, 2024.**

**Compiler's note:** The repealed section pertained to legislative findings regarding the enactment of measures favoring childbirth over abortion.

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**Popular name:** Informed Consent

### **333.17015 Informed consent; definitions; duties of physician or assistant; location; disclosure of information; view of ultrasound; medical emergency necessitating abortion; duties of department; physician's duty to inform patient; validity of consent or certification form; right to abortion not created; prohibition; portion of act found invalid; duties of local health department; confidentiality.**

Sec. 17015. (1) Subject to subsection (10), a physician shall not perform an abortion otherwise permitted by law without the patient's informed written consent, given freely and without coercion to abort.

(2) For purposes of this section and section 17015a:

(a) "Abortion" means the intentional use of an instrument, drug, or other substance or device to terminate a woman's pregnancy for a purpose other than to increase the probability of a live birth, to preserve the life or health of the child after live birth, or to remove a fetus that has died as a result of natural causes, accidental trauma, or a criminal assault on the pregnant woman. Abortion does not include the use or prescription of a drug or device intended as a contraceptive.

(b) "Coercion to abort" means an act committed with the intent to coerce an individual to have an abortion, which act is prohibited by section 213a of the Michigan penal code, 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.213a.

(c) "Domestic violence" means that term as defined in section 1 of 1978 PA 389, MCL 400.1501.

(d) "Fetus" means an individual organism of the species *Homo sapiens* in utero.

(e) "Local health department representative" means an individual who meets 1 or more of the licensing requirements listed in subdivision (h) and who is employed by, or under contract to provide services on behalf of, a local health department.

(f) "Medical emergency" means a condition which, on the basis of the physician's good-faith clinical judgment, so complicates the medical condition of a pregnant individual as to necessitate the immediate abortion of the individual's pregnancy to avert the individual's death or for which a delay will create serious risk of substantial and irreversible impairment of a major bodily function.

(g) "Medical service" means the provision of a treatment, procedure, medication, examination, diagnostic test, assessment, or counseling, including, but not limited to, a pregnancy test, ultrasound, pelvic examination, or an abortion.

(h) "Qualified person assisting the physician" means another physician or a physician's assistant licensed under this part or part 175, a fully licensed or limited licensed psychologist licensed under part 182, a professional counselor licensed under part 181, a registered professional nurse or a licensed practical nurse licensed under part 172, or a social worker licensed under part 185.

(i) "Probable gestational age of the fetus" means the gestational age of the fetus at the time an abortion is planned to be performed.

(j) "Provide the patient with a physical copy" means confirming that the patient accessed the internet website described in subsection (5) and received a printed valid confirmation form from the website and including that form in the patient's medical record or giving a patient a copy of a required document by 1 or more of the following means:

(i) In person.

(ii) By registered mail, return receipt requested.

(iii) By parcel delivery service that requires the recipient to provide a signature in order to receive delivery of a parcel.

(iv) By facsimile transmission.

(3) Subject to subsection (10), a physician or a qualified person assisting the physician shall do all of the following not less than 24 hours before that physician performs an abortion upon a patient who is pregnant:

(a) Confirm that, according to the best medical judgment of a physician, the patient is pregnant, and determine the probable gestational age of the fetus.

(b) Orally describe, in language designed to be understood by the patient, taking into account the patient's age, level of maturity, and intellectual capability, each of the following:

(i) The probable gestational age of the fetus the patient is carrying.

(ii) Information about what to do and whom to contact should medical complications arise from the abortion.

(iii) Information about how to obtain pregnancy prevention information through the department of health and human services.

(c) Provide the patient with a physical copy of the written standardized summary described in subsection (11)(b) that corresponds to the procedure the patient will undergo and is provided by the department of health and human services. If the procedure has not been recognized by the department of health and human services, but is otherwise allowed under Michigan law, and the department of health and human services has not provided a written standardized summary for that procedure, the physician shall develop and provide a written summary that describes the procedure, any known risks or complications of the procedure, and risks associated with live birth and meets the requirements of subsection (11)(b)(iii) through (vii).

(d) Provide the patient with a physical copy of a medically accurate depiction, illustration, or photograph and description of a fetus supplied by the department of health and human services pursuant to subsection (11)(a) at the gestational age nearest the probable gestational age of the patient's fetus.

(e) Provide the patient with a physical copy of the prenatal care and parenting information pamphlet distributed by the department of health and human services under section 9161.

(f) Provide the patient with a physical copy of the prescreening summary on prevention of coercion to abort described in subsection (11)(i).

(4) The requirements of subsection (3) may be fulfilled by the physician or a qualified person assisting the physician at a location other than the health facility where the abortion is to be performed. The requirement of subsection (3)(a) that a patient's pregnancy be confirmed may be fulfilled by a local health department under subsection (18). The requirements of subsection (3) cannot be fulfilled by the patient accessing an internet website other than the internet website that is maintained and operated by the department of health and human services under subsection (11)(g).

(5) The requirements of subsection (3)(c) through (f) may be fulfilled by a patient accessing the internet website that is maintained and operated by the department of health and human services under subsection (11)(g) and receiving a printed, valid confirmation form from the website that the patient has reviewed the information required in subsection (3)(c) through (f) at least 24 hours before an abortion being performed on the patient. The website must not require any information be supplied by the patient. The department of health and human services shall not track, compile, or otherwise keep a record of information that would identify a patient who accesses this website. The patient shall supply the valid confirmation form to the physician or qualified person assisting the physician to be included in the patient's medical record to comply with this subsection.

(6) Subject to subsection (10), before obtaining the patient's signature on the acknowledgment and consent form, a physician personally and in the presence of the patient shall do all of the following:

(a) Provide the patient with the physician's name, confirm with the patient that the coercion to abort screening required under section 17015a was performed, and inform the patient of the right to withhold or withdraw consent to the abortion at any time before performance of the abortion.

(b) Orally describe, in language designed to be understood by the patient, taking into account the patient's age, level of maturity, and intellectual capability, each of the following:

(i) The specific risk, if any, to the patient of the complications that have been associated with the procedure the patient will undergo, based on the patient's particular medical condition and history as determined by the physician.

(ii) The specific risk of complications, if any, to the patient if the patient chooses to continue the pregnancy based on the patient's particular medical condition and history as determined by a physician.

(7) To protect a patient's privacy, the information set forth in subsection (3) and subsection (6) must not be disclosed to the patient in the presence of another patient.

(8) If at any time before the performance of an abortion, a patient undergoes an ultrasound examination, or



a physician determines that ultrasound imaging will be used during the course of a patient's abortion, the physician or qualified person assisting the physician shall provide the patient with the opportunity to view or decline to view an active ultrasound image of the fetus, and offer to provide the patient with a physical picture of the ultrasound image of the fetus before the performance of the abortion. After the expiration of the 24-hour period prescribed under subsection (3) but before performing an abortion on a patient who is pregnant, a physician or a qualified person assisting the physician shall do all of the following:

(a) Obtain the patient's signature on the acknowledgment and consent form described in subsection (11)(c) confirming that the patient has received the information required under subsection (3).

(b) Provide the patient with a physical copy of the signed acknowledgment and consent form described in subsection (11)(c).

(c) Retain a copy of the signed acknowledgment and consent form described in subsection (11)(c) and, if applicable, a copy of the pregnancy certification form completed under subsection (18)(b), in the patient's medical record.

(9) This subsection does not prohibit notifying the patient that payment for medical services will be required or that collection of payment in full for all medical services provided or planned may be demanded after the 24-hour period described in this subsection has expired. A physician or an agent of the physician shall not collect payment, in whole or in part, for a medical service provided to or planned for a patient before the expiration of 24 hours from the time the patient has done either or both of the following, except in the case of a physician or an agent of a physician receiving capitated payments or under a salary arrangement for providing those medical services:

(a) Inquired about obtaining an abortion after the patient's pregnancy is confirmed and the patient has received from that physician or a qualified person assisting the physician the information required under subsection (3)(c) and (d).

(b) Scheduled an abortion to be performed by that physician.

(10) If the attending physician, utilizing the physician's experience, judgment, and professional competence, determines that a medical emergency exists and necessitates performance of an abortion before the requirements of subsections (1), (3), and (6) can be met, the physician is exempt from the requirements of subsections (1), (3), and (6), may perform the abortion, and shall maintain a written record identifying with specificity the medical factors upon which the determination of the medical emergency is based.

(11) The department of health and human services shall do each of the following:

(a) Produce medically accurate depictions, illustrations, or photographs of the development of a human fetus that indicate by scale the actual size of the fetus at 2-week intervals from the fourth week through the twenty-eighth week of gestation. Each depiction, illustration, or photograph must be accompanied by a printed description, in nontechnical English, Arabic, and Spanish, of the probable anatomical and physiological characteristics of the fetus at that particular state of gestational development.

(b) Subject to subdivision (e), develop, draft, and print, in nontechnical English, Arabic, and Spanish, written standardized summaries, based upon the various medical procedures used to abort pregnancies, that do each of the following:

(i) Describe, individually and on separate documents, those medical procedures used to perform abortions in this state that are recognized by the department of health and human services.

(ii) Identify the physical complications that have been associated with each procedure described in subparagraph (i) and with live birth, as determined by the department. In identifying these complications, the department shall consider studies concerning complications that have been published in a peer review medical journal, with particular attention paid to the design of the study, and shall consult with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the Michigan State Medical Society, or any other source that the department of health and human services determines appropriate for the purpose.

(iii) State that as the result of an abortion, some individuals may experience depression, feelings of guilt, sleep disturbance, loss of interest in work or sex, or anger, and that if these symptoms occur and are intense or persistent, professional help is recommended.

(iv) State that not all of the complications listed in subparagraph (ii) may pertain to that particular patient and refer the patient to the patient's physician for more personalized information.

(v) Identify services available through public agencies to assist the patient during the patient's pregnancy and after the birth of the child, should the patient choose to give birth and maintain custody of the child.

(vi) Identify services available through public agencies to assist the patient in placing the child in an adoptive or foster home, should the patient choose to give birth but not maintain custody of the child.

(vii) Identify services available through public agencies to assist the patient and provide counseling should the patient experience subsequent adverse psychological effects from the abortion.

(c) Develop, draft, and print, in nontechnical English, Arabic, and Spanish, an acknowledgment and consent form that includes only the following language above a signature line for the patient:

"I, \_\_\_\_\_, voluntarily and willfully hereby authorize Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ ("the physician") and any assistant designated by the physician to perform upon me the following operation(s) or procedure(s):

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of operation(s) or procedure(s))

A. I understand that I am approximately \_\_\_\_\_ weeks pregnant. I consent to an abortion procedure to terminate my pregnancy. I understand that I have the right to withdraw my consent to the abortion procedure at any time before performance of that procedure.

B. I understand that it is illegal for anyone to coerce me into seeking an abortion.

C. I acknowledge that at least 24 hours before the scheduled abortion I have received a physical copy of each of the following:

1. A medically accurate depiction, illustration, or photograph of a fetus at the probable gestational age of the fetus I am carrying.

2. A written description of the medical procedure that will be used to perform the abortion.

3. A prenatal care and parenting information pamphlet.

D. If any of the documents listed in paragraph C were transmitted by facsimile, I certify that the documents were clear and legible.

E. I acknowledge that the physician who will perform the abortion has orally described all of the following to me:

1. The specific risk to me, if any, of the complications that have been associated with the procedure I am scheduled to undergo.

2. The specific risk to me, if any, of the complications if I choose to continue the pregnancy.

F. I acknowledge that I have received all of the following information:

1. Information about what to do and whom to contact in the event that complications arise from the abortion.

2. Information pertaining to available pregnancy related services.

G. I have been given an opportunity to ask questions about the operation(s) or procedure(s).

H. I certify that I have not been required to make any payments for an abortion or any medical service before the expiration of 24 hours after I received the written materials listed in paragraph C, or 24 hours after the time and date listed on the confirmation form if the information described in paragraph C was viewed from the state of Michigan internet website."

(d) Make available to physicians through the board and the Michigan board of osteopathic medicine and surgery, and to any person upon request, the copies of medically accurate depictions, illustrations, or photographs described in subdivision (a), the written standardized summaries described in subdivision (b), the acknowledgment and consent form described in subdivision (c), the prenatal care and parenting information pamphlet described in section 9161, the pregnancy certification form described in subdivision (f), and the materials regarding coercion to abort described in subdivision (i).

(e) In developing the written standardized summaries for abortion procedures under subdivision (b), include in the summaries only medication that has been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for use in performing an abortion.

(f) Develop, draft, and print a certification form to be signed by a local health department representative at the time and place a patient has a pregnancy confirmed, as requested by the patient, verifying the date and time the pregnancy is confirmed.

(g) Develop, operate, and maintain an internet website that allows a patient considering an abortion to review the information required in subsection (3)(c) through (f). After the patient reviews the required information, the department of health and human services shall ensure that a confirmation form can be printed by the patient from the internet website that will verify the time and date the information was reviewed. A confirmation form printed under this subdivision becomes invalid 14 days after the date and time printed on the confirmation form.

(h) Include on the informed consent internet website operated under subdivision (g) a list of health care providers, facilities, and clinics that offer to perform ultrasounds free of charge. The list must be organized geographically and include the name, address, and telephone number of each health care provider, facility, and clinic.

(i) After considering the standards and recommendations of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, the Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board, the

Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence or successor organization, and the American Medical Association, do all of the following:

(i) Develop, draft, and print or make available in printable format, in nontechnical English, Arabic, and Spanish, a notice that is required to be posted in facilities and clinics under section 17015a. The notice must be at least 8-1/2 inches by 14 inches, be printed in at least 44-point type, and contain at a minimum all of the following:

(A) A statement that it is illegal under Michigan law to coerce an individual to have an abortion.

(B) A statement that help is available if an individual is being threatened or intimidated; is being physically, emotionally, or sexually harmed; or feels afraid for any reason.

(C) The telephone number of at least 1 domestic violence hotline and 1 sexual assault hotline.

(ii) Develop, draft, and print or make available in printable format, in nontechnical English, Arabic, and Spanish, a prescreening summary on prevention of coercion to abort that, at a minimum, contains the information required under subparagraph (i) and notifies the patient that an oral screening for coercion to abort will be conducted before giving written consent to obtain an abortion.

(iii) Develop, draft, and print screening and training tools and accompanying training materials to be utilized by a physician or qualified person assisting the physician while performing the coercion to abort screening required under section 17015a. The screening tools must instruct the physician or qualified person assisting the physician to orally communicate information to the patient regarding coercion to abort and to document the findings from the coercion to abort screening in the patient's medical record.

(iv) Develop, draft, and print protocols and accompanying training materials to be utilized by a physician or a qualified person assisting the physician if a patient discloses coercion to abort or that domestic violence is occurring, or both, during the coercion to abort screening. The protocols must instruct the physician or qualified person assisting the physician to do, at a minimum, all of the following:

(A) Follow the requirements of section 17015a as applicable.

(B) Assess the patient's current level of danger.

(C) Explore safety options with the patient.

(D) Provide referral information to the patient regarding law enforcement and domestic violence and sexual assault support organizations.

(E) Document any referrals in the patient's medical record.

(12) A physician's duty to inform the patient under this section does not require disclosure of information beyond what a reasonably well-qualified physician licensed under this article would possess.

(13) A written consent form meeting the requirements set forth in this section and signed by the patient is presumed valid. The presumption created by this subsection may be rebutted by evidence that establishes, by a preponderance of the evidence, that consent was obtained through fraud, negligence, deception, misrepresentation, coercion, or duress.

(14) A completed certification form described in subsection (11)(f) that is signed by a local health department representative is presumed valid. The presumption created by this subsection may be rebutted by evidence that establishes, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the physician who relied upon the certification had actual knowledge that the certificate contained a false or misleading statement or signature.

(15) This section does not create a right to abortion.

(16) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a person shall not perform an abortion that is prohibited by law.

(17) If any portion of this act or the application of this act to any person or circumstances is found invalid by a court, that invalidity does not affect the remaining portions or applications of the act that can be given effect without the invalid portion or application, if those remaining portions are not determined by the court to be inoperable.

(18) Upon a patient's request, a local health department shall comply with the following:

(a) Provide a pregnancy test for that patient to confirm the pregnancy as required under subsection (3)(a) and determine the probable gestational stage of the fetus. The local health department need not comply with this subdivision if the requirements of subsection (3)(a) have already been met.

(b) If a pregnancy is confirmed, ensure that the patient is provided with a completed pregnancy certification form described in subsection (11)(f) at the time the information is provided.

(19) The identity and address of a patient who is provided information or who consents to an abortion pursuant to this section is confidential and is subject to disclosure only with the consent of the patient or by judicial process.

(20) A local health department with a file containing the identity and address of a patient described in subsection (19) who has been assisted by the local health department under this section shall do both of the following:



(a) Only release the identity and address of the patient to a physician or qualified person assisting the physician in order to verify the receipt of the information required under this section.

(b) Destroy the information containing the identity and address of the patient within 30 days after assisting the patient under this section.

**History:** Add. 1993, Act 133, Eff. Apr. 1, 1994;—Am. 2000, Act 345, Eff. Mar. 28, 2001;—Am. 2002, Act 685, Eff. Mar. 31, 2003;—Am. 2006, Act 77, Imd. Eff. Mar. 24, 2006;—Am. 2012, Act 499, Eff. Mar. 31, 2013;—Am. 2023, Act 209, Eff. Feb. 13, 2024.

**Popular name:** Act 368

**Popular name:** Informed Consent

### **333.17015a Coercion; screening; protocols; report; availability of publications about violence against women; right to abortion not created.**

Sec. 17015a. (1) At the time a patient first presents at a private office, freestanding surgical outpatient facility, or other facility or clinic in which abortions are performed for the purpose of obtaining an abortion, whether before or after the expiration of the 24-hour period described in section 17015(3), the physician or qualified person assisting the physician shall orally screen the patient for coercion to abort using the screening tools developed by the department under section 17015(11). The oral screening required under this subsection may occur before the requirements of section 17015(3) have been met with regard to that patient.

(2) If a patient discloses that she is the victim of domestic violence that does not include coercion to abort, the physician or qualified person assisting the physician shall follow the protocols developed by the department under section 17015(11).

(3) If a patient discloses coercion to abort, the physician or qualified person assisting the physician shall follow the protocols developed by the department under section 17015(11).

(4) If a patient who is under the age of 18 discloses domestic violence or coercion to abort by an individual responsible for the health or welfare of the minor patient, the physician or qualified person assisting the physician shall report that fact to a local child protective services office.

(5) A private office, freestanding surgical outpatient facility, or other facility or clinic in which abortions are performed shall post in a conspicuous place in an area of its facility that is accessible to patients, employees, and visitors the notice described in section 17015(11)(i). A private office, freestanding surgical outpatient facility, or other facility or clinic in which abortions are performed shall make available in an area of its facility that is accessible to patients, employees, and visitors publications that contain information about violence against women.

(6) This section does not create a right to abortion. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a person shall not perform an abortion that is prohibited by law.

**History:** Add. 2012, Act 499, Eff. Mar. 31, 2013.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17016-333.17017 Repealed. 2023, Act 209, Eff. Feb. 13, 2024.**

**Compiler's note:** The repealed sections pertained to a prohibition on partial-birth abortions and physical examination and informed consent requirements before performing a medical abortion.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17018 Needle electromyography; performance by licensed physician; delegation; nerve conduction tests; performance of electrodiagnostic studies by physical therapist, podiatrist, or chiropractor; payment.**

Sec. 17018. (1) Except as otherwise provided under this section, only an individual who is licensed as a physician shall perform needle electromyography or interpret nerve conduction tests. A physician shall not delegate the interpretation of nerve conduction tests to another individual unless that individual is licensed under this article to engage in the practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine and surgery. A physician shall not delegate the performance of needle electromyography to another individual unless that individual is licensed under this article to engage in the practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine and surgery or that individual is otherwise authorized under this section.

(2) In accordance with section 16215, a physician may delegate the performance of nerve conduction tests to a licensed or unlicensed individual who is otherwise qualified by education, training, or experience if those tests are conducted under the direct supervision of a physician.

(3) A physical therapist who is licensed under this article and certified by the American board of physical therapy specialties as an electrophysiologic clinical specialist on the effective date of this section may perform electrodiagnostic studies that are to be interpreted by a physician if he or she has been performing electrodiagnostic studies in this state on a consistent basis within the 5 years immediately preceding the

effective date of this section. A physical therapist who is licensed under this article but is not certified by the American board of physical therapy specialties as an electrophysiologic clinical specialist on the effective date of this section and who has been performing electrodiagnostic studies in this state on a consistent basis since before May 1, 2001 may continue to perform electrodiagnostic studies that are to be interpreted by a physician as long as he or she becomes certified by the American board of physical therapy specialties as an electrophysiologic clinical specialist by December 31, 2007. As used in this subsection, "consistent basis" means at a minimum an annual average of 10 electrodiagnostic studies each month.

(4) A podiatrist who is licensed under this article and has successfully completed additional training in the performance and interpretation of electrodiagnostic studies that is satisfactory to his or her respective board may conduct electrodiagnostic studies that are within his or her scope of practice.

(5) A chiropractor who is licensed under this article and has successfully completed additional training in the performance and interpretation of electrodiagnostic studies that is satisfactory to his or her respective board may conduct nerve conduction tests that are within his or her scope of practice.

(6) This section does not require new or additional third party reimbursement or mandated worker's compensation benefits for services rendered by an individual authorized to conduct electrodiagnostic studies under this section.

**History:** Add. 2005, Act 264, Eff. Mar. 30, 2006.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17020 Genetic test; informed consent.**

Sec. 17020. (1) Except as otherwise provided for a test performed under section 5431 and except as otherwise provided by law, beginning upon the expiration of 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, a physician or an individual to whom the physician has delegated authority to perform a selected act, task, or function under section 16215 shall not order a presymptomatic or predictive genetic test without first obtaining the written, informed consent of the test subject, pursuant to this section.

(2) For purposes of subsection (1), written, informed consent consists of a signed writing executed by the test subject or the legally authorized representative of the test subject that confirms that the physician or the individual acting under the delegatory authority of the physician has explained, and the test subject or the legally authorized representative of the test subject understands, at a minimum, all of the following:

(a) The nature and purpose of the presymptomatic or predictive genetic test.

(b) The effectiveness and limitations of the presymptomatic or predictive genetic test.

(c) The implications of taking the presymptomatic or predictive genetic test, including, but not limited to, the medical risks and benefits.

(d) The future uses of the sample taken from the test subject in order to conduct the presymptomatic or predictive genetic test and the information obtained from the presymptomatic or predictive genetic test.

(e) The meaning of the presymptomatic or predictive genetic test results and the procedure for providing notice of the results to the test subject.

(f) Who will have access to the sample taken from the test subject in order to conduct the presymptomatic or predictive genetic test and the information obtained from the presymptomatic or predictive genetic test, and the test subject's right to confidential treatment of the sample and the information.

(3) Within 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this section, the department of community health, in consultation with the Michigan board of medicine, the Michigan board of osteopathic medicine and surgery, at least 1 physician who is board certified by the American board of medical genetics, and appropriate professional organizations, shall develop and distribute a model informed consent form for purposes of this section that practitioners may adopt. The department of community health shall include in the model form at least all of the information required under subsection (2). The department of community health shall distribute the model form to physicians and other individuals subject to this section upon request and at no charge. The department of community health shall review the model form at least annually for 5 years after the first model form is distributed, and shall revise the model form if necessary to make the form reflect the latest developments in medical genetics.

(4) The department of community health, in consultation with the entities described in subsection (3), may also develop and distribute a pamphlet that provides further explanation of the information included in the model informed consent form.

(5) If a test subject or his or her legally authorized representative signs a copy of the model informed consent form developed and distributed under subsection (3), the physician or individual acting under the delegatory authority of the physician shall give the test subject a copy of the signed informed consent form and shall include the original signed informed consent form in the test subject's medical record.

(6) If a test subject or his or her legally authorized representative signs a copy of the model informed consent form developed and distributed under subsection (3), the test subject is barred from subsequently bringing a civil action for damages against the physician, or an individual to whom the physician delegated the authority to perform a selected act, task, or function under section 16215, who ordered the presymptomatic or predictive genetic test, based on failure to obtain informed consent for the presymptomatic or predictive genetic test.

(7) A physician's duty to inform a patient under this section does not require disclosure of information beyond what a reasonably well-qualified physician licensed under this article would know.

(8) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (9), as used in this section:

(a) "Genetic information" means information about a gene, gene product, or inherited characteristic which information is derived from a genetic test.

(b) "Genetic test" means the analysis of human DNA, RNA, chromosomes, and those proteins and metabolites used to detect heritable or somatic disease-related genotypes or karyotypes for clinical purposes. A genetic test must be generally accepted in the scientific and medical communities as being specifically determinative for the presence, absence, or mutation of a gene or chromosome in order to qualify under this definition. Genetic test does not include a routine physical examination or a routine analysis, including, but not limited to, a chemical analysis, of body fluids, unless conducted specifically to determine the presence, absence, or mutation of a gene or chromosome.

(c) "Predictive genetic test" means a genetic test performed for the purpose of predicting the future probability that the test subject will develop a genetically related disease or disability.

(d) "Presymptomatic genetic test" means a genetic test performed before the onset of clinical symptoms or indications of disease.

(9) For purposes of subsection (8)(b), the term "genetic test" does not include a procedure performed as a component of biomedical research that is conducted pursuant to federal common rule under 21 C.F.R. parts 50 and 56 and 45 C.F.R. part 46.

**History:** Add. 2000, Act 29, Imd. Eff. Mar. 15, 2000.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17021 Michigan board of medicine; creation; membership; limitation on powers and duties.**

Sec. 17021. (1) The Michigan board of medicine is created in the department and consists of the following 19 voting members who meet the requirements of part 161:

(a) Ten physicians.

(b) One physician's assistant.

(c) One genetic counselor. However, the governor shall not appoint a genetic counselor member to the board until there are only 7 public members of the board under subdivision (d).

(d) Seven public members. However, if there are 8 public members of the board on the effective date of the amendatory act that added this sentence, each public member of the board may continue in office until he or she resigns or otherwise vacates the office or until the expiration of his or her term.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in this article, the board of medicine does not have the powers and duties vested in the task force by sections 17060 to 17084.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1993, Act 79, Eff. Apr. 1, 1994;—Am. 2016, Act 379, Eff. Mar. 22, 2017;—Am. 2018, Act 624, Eff. Mar. 28, 2019.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17025 Joint task force; creation; membership.**

Sec. 17025. A joint task force is created for the health profession subfields licensed under this part. The task force shall consist of the following members, who shall meet the requirements of part 161:

(a) One member each from the board of medicine, the board of osteopathic medicine and surgery, and the board of podiatric medicine and surgery holding a license other than a health profession subfield license.

(b) Until June 30, 2010, 5 physician's assistants. Beginning July 1, 2010, 7 physician's assistants.

(c) Three public members.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1980, Act 146, Imd. Eff. June 5, 1980;—Am. 2006, Act 161, Eff. Nov. 26, 2006;—Am. 2010, Act 79, Imd. Eff. May 20, 2010.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17026 Terms of office.**

Sec. 17026. The terms of office of individual members of the board and task force created under this part,

except those appointed to fill vacancies, expire 4 years after appointment on December 31 of the year in which the term expires.

**History:** Add. 2006, Act 385, Imd. Eff. Sept. 27, 2006.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17029 Standards of medical practice for medical services involving vaginal or anal penetration; promulgation of rules.**

Sec. 17029. The department may promulgate rules that provide guidance to licensees on generally accepted standards of medical practice for medical services involving vaginal or anal penetration, including internal pelvic floor treatments but excluding medical services that primarily relate to a patient's urological, gastrointestinal, reproductive, gynecological, or sexual health, that are performed to measure a patient's temperature, or that are performed for the purpose of rectally administering a drug or medicine. If the department promulgates rules under this section, the department shall consult with appropriate professional associations and other interested stakeholders.

**History:** Add. 2023, Act 62, Eff. Oct. 10, 2023.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17030 Clinical academic limited license; requirements; annual renewal; duration of practice.**

Sec. 17030. (1) A clinical academic limited license granted by the board under section 16182(2)(c) for the practice of medicine shall require that the individual practice only for an academic institution and under the supervision of 1 or more physicians fully licensed under this part.

(2) A clinical academic limited license granted by the board under section 16182(2)(c) for the practice of medicine is renewable annually, but an individual shall not engage in the practice of medicine under 1 or more clinical academic limited licenses for more than 5 years.

**History:** Add. 1990, Act 248, Imd. Eff. Oct. 12, 1990.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17031 Condition for more than limited licensure; requirements for full license to practice medicine; filing and contents of written statement; civil or criminal liability; rebuttable presumption; applicability to clinical academic limited license.**

Sec. 17031. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), an applicant, in addition to completing the requirements for the degree in medicine, shall complete a period of postgraduate education to attain proficiency in the practice of the profession, as prescribed by the board in rules, as a condition for more than limited licensure.

(2) The board may grant a full license to practice medicine to an applicant who has completed the requirements for a degree in medicine at a medical school located outside the United States or Canada if, except as provided in subsection (4), the applicant demonstrates to the board all of the following:

(a) That the applicant has engaged in the practice of medicine for not less than 10 years after completing the requirements for a degree in medicine.

(b) That the applicant has completed not less than 3 years of postgraduate clinical training in an institution that has an affiliation with a medical school that is listed in a directory of medical schools published by the World Health Organization as approved by the board.

(c) That the applicant has achieved a score determined by the board to be a passing score on an initial medical licensure examination approved by the board.

(d) That the applicant has safely and competently practiced medicine under a clinical academic limited license granted by the board under this article for 1 or more academic institutions located in this state for not less than the 2 years immediately preceding the date of application for a license under this subsection, during which time the applicant functioned not less than 800 hours per year in the observation and treatment of patients.

(3) An applicant who is required to meet the requirements of subsection (2)(d) shall file with the board a written statement from each academic institution upon which the applicant relies to satisfy that subsection. The statement shall indicate, at a minimum, that the applicant functioned for the academic institution in the observation and treatment of patients not less than 800 hours per year and that in so doing the applicant practiced medicine safely and competently. A person who in good faith makes a written statement that is filed under this subsection is not civilly or criminally liable for that statement. There is a rebuttable presumption that a person who makes a written statement that is filed under this subsection has done so in good faith.

(4) Subsection (2)(c) and (d) do not apply to an applicant who was granted a clinical academic limited

license after January 1, 2011 but before January 1, 2017 and who has continuously held a license to practice medicine from the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection through the date of application for a full license under subsection (2).

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1990, Act 248, Imd. Eff. Oct. 12, 1990;—Am. 2002, Act 643, Imd. Eff. Dec. 23, 2002;—Am. 2018, Act 463, Eff. Mar. 27, 2019.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17033 Renewal of license; evidence required; completion of hours or courses in pain and symptom management as continuing education; rules.**

Sec. 17033. (1) Notwithstanding the requirements of part 161, the board may require a licensee seeking renewal of a license to furnish the board with satisfactory evidence that during the 3 years immediately preceding application for renewal the licensee has attended continuing education courses or programs approved by the board totaling not less than 150 hours in subjects related to the practice of medicine including, but not limited to, medical ethics and designed to further educate licensees.

(2) As required under section 16204, the board shall promulgate rules requiring each applicant for license renewal to complete as part of the continuing education requirement of subsection (1) an appropriate number of hours or courses in pain and symptom management.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1986, Act 290, Imd. Eff. Dec. 22, 1986;—Am. 1994, Act 234, Imd. Eff. June 30, 1994.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17040-333.17047 Repealed. 1990, Act 247, Imd. Eff. Oct. 12, 1990.**

**Compiler's note:** The repealed sections pertained to supervision or employment of physician's assistants.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17047 Practice as physician's assistant; practice agreement.**

Sec. 17047. (1) A physician's assistant shall not engage in the practice as a physician's assistant except under the terms of a practice agreement that meets the requirements of this section.

(2) A practice agreement must include all of the following:

(a) A process between the physician's assistant and participating physician for communication, availability, and decision making when providing medical treatment to a patient. The process must utilize the knowledge and skills of the physician's assistant and participating physician based on their education, training, and experience.

(b) A protocol for designating an alternative physician for consultation in situations in which the participating physician is not available for consultation.

(c) The signature of the physician's assistant and the participating physician.

(d) A termination provision that allows the physician's assistant or participating physician to terminate the practice agreement by providing written notice at least 30 days before the date of termination.

(e) Subject to section 17048, the duties and responsibilities of the physician's assistant and participating physician. The practice agreement shall not include as a duty or responsibility of the physician's assistant or participating physician an act, task, or function that the physician's assistant or participating physician is not qualified to perform by education, training, or experience and that is not within the scope of the license held by the physician's assistant or participating physician.

(f) A requirement that the participating physician verify the physician's assistant's credentials.

(3) The number of physician's assistants in a practice agreement with a participating physician and the number of individuals to whom a physician has delegated the authority to perform acts, tasks, or functions are subject to section 16221.

**History:** Add. 2016, Act 379, Eff. Mar. 22, 2017.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17048 Prohibiting or restricting delegation of medical care service or requiring higher levels of supervision; rules concerning prescribing of drugs; organization as professional service corporation or professional limited liability company; shareholders.**

Sec. 17048. (1) Except for a medical care service within a practice agreement, to the extent that a particular selected medical care service requires extensive medical training, education, or ability or poses serious risks to the health and safety of patients, the board may prohibit or otherwise restrict the delegation of that medical care service or may require higher levels of supervision. To the extent that a particular medical care service requires extensive training, education, or ability or poses serious risks to the health or safety of patients, the



board may prohibit or otherwise restrict that medical care service within a practice agreement.

(2) For purposes of section 17076(2) and (3), the department, in consultation with the board, may promulgate rules concerning the prescribing of drugs by a physician's assistant. Subject to section 17076, the rules may define the drugs or classes of drugs that a physician's assistant may not prescribe and other procedures and protocols necessary to promote consistency with federal and state drug control and enforcement laws.

(3) Beginning on July 19, 2010, if 1 or more individuals licensed under part 170 to engage in the practice of medicine, licensed under part 175 to engage in the practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery, or licensed under part 180 to engage in the practice of podiatric medicine and surgery, and 1 or more physician's assistants organize a professional service corporation under section 4 of former 1962 PA 192, a professional corporation under section 284 of the business corporation act, 1972 PA 284, MCL 450.1284, or a professional limited liability company under section 904 of the Michigan limited liability company act, 1993 PA 23, MCL 450.4904, the physicians who are parties to a practice agreement with the physician's assistants shall be shareholders in the same professional service corporation or professional corporation or members in the same professional limited liability company as the physician's assistants and shall meet all of the applicable requirements of part 170, 175, or 180. If 1 or more physician's assistants organized a professional service corporation under section 4 of former 1962 PA 192, a professional corporation under section 284 of the business corporation act, 1972 PA 284, MCL 450.1284, or a professional limited liability company under section 904 of the Michigan limited liability company act, 1993 PA 23, MCL 450.4904, before July 19, 2010 that has only physician's assistants as shareholders or members, the physicians who are parties to a practice agreement with the physician's assistants shall meet all of the applicable requirements of part 170, 175, or 180.

(4) In addition to the requirements of section 17068 and beginning on July 19, 2010, the department shall include on the form used for renewal of licensure a space for a physician's assistant to disclose whether he or she is a shareholder in a professional service corporation under section 4 of former 1962 PA 192, or a member in a professional limited liability company under section 904 of the Michigan limited liability company act, 1993 PA 23, MCL 450.4904, that was organized before July 19, 2010. A physician's assistant who is a shareholder in a professional service corporation or a member in a professional limited liability company described in this subsection shall disclose all of the following in the form used for renewal of licensure provided by the department:

(a) Whether any individuals licensed under part 170 to engage in the practice of medicine, licensed under part 175 to engage in the practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery, or licensed under part 180 to engage in the practice of podiatric medicine and surgery are shareholders in the professional service corporation or members in the professional limited liability company.

(b) The name and license number of the individual licensed under part 170 to engage in the practice of medicine, licensed under part 175 to engage in the practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery, or licensed under part 180 to engage in the practice of podiatric medicine and surgery who is a party to a practice agreement with the physician's assistant.

(c) Whether the individual licensed under part 170 to engage in the practice of medicine, licensed under part 175 to engage in the practice of osteopathic medicine and surgery, or licensed under part 180 to engage in the practice of podiatric medicine and surgery disclosed in subdivision (b) is a shareholder in the same professional service corporation or member in a professional limited liability company as the physician's assistant.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1986, Act 174, Imd. Eff. July 7, 1986;—Am. 1990, Act 247, Imd. Eff. Oct. 12, 1990;—Am. 1996, Act 355, Imd. Eff. July 1, 1996;—Am. 2010, Act 124, Imd. Eff. July 19, 2010;—Am. 2011, Act 210, Imd. Eff. Nov. 8, 2011;—Am. 2012, Act 618, Imd. Eff. Jan. 9, 2013;—Am. 2016, Act 379, Eff. Mar. 22, 2017.

**Compiler's note:** Section 3 of Act 174 of 1986 provides: "This amendatory act shall only apply to contested cases filed on or after July 1, 1986."

**Popular name:** Act 368

**Administrative rules:** R 338.6101 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.

### **333.17049 Practice agreement; designation of physician; countersigning order or signing official form not required.**

Sec. 17049. (1) A group of physicians practicing other than as sole practitioners may designate 1 or more physicians in the group to enter into a practice agreement under section 17047.

(2) Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, a physician is not required to countersign orders written in a patient's clinical record by a physician's assistant with whom the physician has a practice agreement. Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, a physician is not required to sign an official

form that lists the physician's signature as the required signatory if that official form is signed by a physician's assistant with whom the physician has a practice agreement.

**History:** Add. 1990, Act 247, Imd. Eff. Oct. 12, 1990;—Am. 2004, Act 512, Imd. Eff. Jan. 3, 2005;—Am. 2011, Act 210, Imd. Eff. Nov. 8, 2011;—Am. 2016, Act 379, Eff. Mar. 22, 2017.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17050 Prohibiting physician or physician's assistant from entering into practice agreement; grounds.**

Sec. 17050. In addition to its other powers and duties under this article, the board may prohibit a physician or a physician's assistant from entering into a practice agreement for any of the grounds set forth in section 16221.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1990, Act 247, Imd. Eff. Oct. 12, 1990;—Am. 2016, Act 379, Eff. Mar. 22, 2017.

**Popular name:** Act 368

**Administrative rules:** R 338.6101 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.

### **333.17054 Criteria for licensure of physician's assistants and for evaluation of training programs; recommendations.**

Sec. 17054. The board shall make written recommendations on criteria for the licensure of physician's assistants and on criteria for the evaluation of physician's assistants' training programs to the task force on physician's assistants.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17056 Exception.**

Sec. 17056. This part does not apply to a student in training to become a physician's assistant while performing duties assigned as part of the training.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17058 Repealed. 1993, Act 79, Eff. Apr. 1, 1994.**

**Compiler's note:** The repealed section pertained to powers and duties of task force.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17060 Duties of department.**

Sec. 17060. The department, in consultation with the task force, shall do all of the following:

(a) Promulgate rules necessary for the implementation of its powers and duties under this part and may perform the acts and make the determinations necessary for the proper implementations of those powers and duties.

(b) Promulgate rules to establish the requirements for the education, training, or experience of physician's assistants for licensure in this state. The requirements must take into account nationally recognized standards for education, training, and experience and the desired utilization of physician's assistants. By January 14, 2017, the rules must include training standards for identifying victims of human trafficking. The training standards for identifying victims of human trafficking must apply for a physician's assistant license or registration renewal beginning with the first renewal cycle after the rules are promulgated and for an initial license or registration issued 5 or more years after the rules are promulgated.

(c) Grant licenses to applicants who meet the requirements of this part and the rules promulgated under this part for practice and use of the title of physician's assistant.

(d) Promulgate rules to establish criteria for the evaluation of programs for the education and training of physician's assistants for the purpose of determining whether graduates of the programs have the knowledge and skills requisite for practice and use of the title physician's assistant in this state as defined by this part and the rules promulgated under this part. The criteria established must be substantially consistent with nationally recognized standards for the education and training of physician's assistants. Until the criteria are established, the criteria developed by the advisory commission on physician's assistants shall remain in effect. The department shall consider and may use where appropriate the criteria established by professional associations, education accrediting bodies, or governmental agencies. In establishing criteria for the evaluation of education and training programs, the department may seek the advice of the boards and the department of education.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1980, Act 59, Imd. Eff. Apr. 1, 1980;—Am. 1986, Act 290, Imd. Eff. Dec. 22, 1986;—Am. 1990, Act 247, Imd. Eff. Oct. 12, 1990;—Am. 2014, Act 343, Eff. Jan. 14, 2015;—Am. 2016, Act 379, Eff. Mar. 22, 2017.

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**Administrative rules:** R 338.6101 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.

### **333.17062 Applicant for licensure as physician's assistant; qualifications.**

Sec. 17062. An applicant for licensure as a physician's assistant shall meet the requirements of section 16174(a), (b), and (d) and be a graduate of a program for the training of physician's assistants approved by the task force or be a licensed, certified, registered, approved, or other legally recognized physician's assistant in another state with qualifications substantially equivalent to those established by the task force.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1980, Act 146, Imd. Eff. June 5, 1980;—Am. 1986, Act 174, Imd. Eff. July 7, 1986.

**Compiler's note:** Section 3 of Act 174 of 1986 provides: "This amendatory act shall only apply to contested cases filed on or after July 1, 1986."

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17064 Applicant for licensure as physician's assistant; examination required; waiver; nature of examination; use of national examination; discrimination prohibited; reciprocity; investigation; additional documentation or information.**

Sec. 17064. (1) To determine whether an applicant for initial licensure has the appropriate level of skill and knowledge as required by this part, the task force shall require the applicant to submit to an examination which shall include those subjects the general knowledge of which is commonly and generally required of a graduate of an accredited physician's assistants' program in the United States. The task force may waive the examination requirement for a graduate of an approved program if the applicant has taken a national examination and achieved a score acceptable to the task force as demonstrating the level of skill and knowledge required by this part. The task force may waive the examination for an applicant who is licensed, certified, registered, approved, or otherwise legally recognized as a physician's assistant in another state, when the task force determines that the other state has qualifications, including completion of a national or state approved examination for physician's assistants, that are substantially equivalent to those established by this part.

(2) The nature of an examination shall be determined by the task force and may include the use and acceptance of national examinations where appropriate. The use of examinations or the requirements for successful completion shall not permit discriminatory treatment of applicants.

(3) The task force shall provide for the recognition of the certification or experience consistent with this part acquired by physician's assistants in other states who wish to practice in this state.

(4) The task force may cause an investigation to be conducted when necessary to determine the qualifications of an applicant for licensure. An applicant may be required to furnish additional documentation and information upon a determination by the task force that the documentation or information is necessary to evaluate the applicant's qualifications.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1986, Act 174, Imd. Eff. July 7, 1986.

**Compiler's note:** Section 3 of Act 174 of 1986 provides: "This amendatory act shall only apply to contested cases filed on or after July 1, 1986."

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17066 Repealed. 2016, Act 379, Eff. Mar. 22, 2017.**

**Compiler's note:** The repealed section pertained to design of standards and decisions regarding qualifications of physician's assistants.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17068 Application by physician's assistant for licensure or renewal of licensure; form; requirements for relicensing; standards; temporary license.**

Sec. 17068. (1) A physician's assistant shall apply for licensure or renewal of licensure on a form provided by the department.

(2) A physician's assistant who has failed to renew a license may be relicensed upon showing that he or she meets the current requirements for licensure set forth in this part and rules promulgated under this part. In relicensing an individual under this section, the task force may establish standards for training, education, or experience equivalent to current educational and practice requirements. A temporary license under section 17072 may be issued pending the results of action taken under this subsection.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1988, Act 462, Eff. Sept. 1, 1989.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17070 Granting renewal; notice of denial; right to hearing.**

Sec. 17070. (1) If the applicant meets the requirements for renewal as set forth in this part or rules promulgated under this part, the task force shall direct the board to grant a renewal.

(2) If an applicant is determined by the task force not to have met the requirements for renewal, the applicant shall be notified in writing of the reasons for denial and shall have the right to a hearing.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17072 Certificate of licensure, temporary licensure, or renewal; issuance; contents; interim licensure; nonrenewable temporary license; display; pocket card; identification.**

Sec. 17072. (1) A certificate of licensure, temporary licensure, or renewal shall be issued by the department to an applicant who is granted licensure, temporary licensure, or renewal. A certificate issued under this part shall contain the full name of the individual licensed, a permanent individual number, and the date of expiration.

(2) The task force shall direct the board to grant interim licensure to an unlicensed individual who was employed as a physician's assistant on December 29, 1977, to be effective until the task force formally issues or denies a license to the physician's assistant pursuant to this part and the rules promulgated under this part. During this period the task force may direct the board to grant interim licensure to a new applicant who has graduated from a program training physician's assistants.

(3) The task force may direct the board to grant a nonrenewable temporary license to an applicant who meets all requirements for licensure except examination, if required. The task force shall make its decision within 30 days after submission of a complete application or the conclusion of a department investigation, whichever is later. The temporary license shall be valid for a period determined by the task force, but not to exceed 1 year, or until the results of a required examination are made available, whichever is sooner. The department shall issue a certificate of temporary licensure within 15 days after the board grants the license.

(4) A physician's assistant licensed under this part shall publicly display the current certificate of licensure, temporary license, or renewal permanently in that individual's place of practice, if feasible, and shall have available for inspection a pocket card issued by the department containing the essential information of the license. While working, the individual shall wear appropriate identification, clearly indicating that the individual is a physician's assistant.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1978, Act 625, Imd. Eff. Jan. 6, 1979.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17074 Prohibited undertakings, representations, and services by physician's assistant; permissible services.**

Sec. 17074. (1) A physician's assistant shall not undertake or represent that he or she is qualified to undertake provision of a medical care service that he or she knows or reasonably should know to be outside his or her competence or is prohibited by law.

(2) A physician's assistant shall not:

(a) Perform acts, tasks, or functions to determine the refractive state of a human eye or to treat refractive anomalies of the human eye, or both.

(b) Determine the spectacle or contact lens prescription specifications required to treat refractive anomalies of the human eye, or determine modification of spectacle or contact lens prescription specifications, or both.

(3) A physician's assistant may perform routine visual screening or testing, postoperative care, or assistance in the care of medical diseases of the eye under a practice agreement.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1990, Act 247, Imd. Eff. Oct. 12, 1990;—Am. 2006, Act 161, Eff. Nov. 26, 2006;—Am. 2016, Act 379, Eff. Mar. 22, 2017.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17076 Physician's assistant; making calls or going on rounds in accordance with practice agreement; prescribing drugs; ordering, receiving, and dispensing complimentary starter dose drugs.**

Sec. 17076. (1) A physician's assistant may make calls or go on rounds in private homes, public institutions, emergency vehicles, ambulatory care clinics, hospitals, intermediate or extended care facilities, health maintenance organizations, nursing homes, or other health care facilities in accordance with a practice agreement. Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, a physician's assistant may make calls or go on

rounds as provided in this subsection without restrictions on the time or frequency of visits by a physician or the physician's assistant.

(2) A physician's assistant who is a party to a practice agreement may prescribe a drug in accordance with procedures and protocols for the prescription established by rule of the department in consultation with the appropriate board. A physician's assistant may prescribe a drug, including a controlled substance that is included in schedules 2 to 5 of part 72. If a physician's assistant prescribes a drug under this subsection, the physician's assistant's name shall be used, recorded, or otherwise indicated in connection with that prescription. If a physician's assistant prescribes a drug under this subsection that is included in schedules 2 to 5, the physician's assistant's DEA registration number shall be used, recorded, or otherwise indicated in connection with that prescription.

(3) A physician's assistant may order, receive, and dispense complimentary starter dose drugs, including controlled substances that are included in schedules 2 to 5 of part 72. If a physician's assistant orders, receives, or dispenses a complimentary starter dose drug under this subsection, the physician's assistant's name shall be used, recorded, or otherwise indicated in connection with that order, receipt, or dispensing. If a physician's assistant orders, receives, or dispenses a complimentary starter dose drug under this subsection that is included in schedules 2 to 5, the physician's assistant's DEA registration number shall be used, recorded, or otherwise indicated in connection with that order, receipt, or dispensing. As used in this subsection, "complimentary starter dose" means that term as defined in section 17745. It is the intent of the legislature in enacting this subsection to allow a pharmaceutical manufacturer or wholesale distributor, as those terms are defined in part 177, to distribute complimentary starter dose drugs to a physician's assistant, as described in this subsection, in compliance with section 503(d) of the federal food, drug, and cosmetic act, 21 USC 353.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1990, Act 247, Imd. Eff. Oct. 12, 1990;—Am. 1996, Act 355, Imd. Eff. July 1, 1996;—Am. 2011, Act 210, Imd. Eff. Nov. 8, 2011;—Am. 2016, Act 379, Eff. Mar. 22, 2017.

**Popular name:** Act 368

**Administrative rules:** R 338.6101 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.

### **333.17078 Physician's assistant; conformance to minimal standards of practice.**

Sec. 17078. A physician's assistant shall conform to minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing practice under this part, part 175, or part 180, as applicable.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978;—Am. 1990, Act 247, Imd. Eff. Oct. 12, 1990;—Am. 2006, Act 161, Eff. Nov. 26, 2006;—Am. 2011, Act 210, Imd. Eff. Nov. 8, 2011;—Am. 2016, Act 379, Eff. Mar. 22, 2017.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17082 Investigations and evaluations by task force; purpose; revision of criteria for education and training; continuation of program approval and criteria.**

Sec. 17082. (1) The task force may conduct or cause to be conducted, investigations and evaluations necessary to determine whether a program meets the criteria established by this part and rules promulgated under this part.

(2) At times the task force determines appropriate, the task force may revise the criteria for the education and training of graduates to determine whether the graduates meet the requirements for practice and use of the title physician's assistant in this state.

(3) A program approval of the director of public health and the criteria developed or recommended by the physician's assistant's advisory commission permitted under section 20 of former Act No. 420 of the Public Acts of 1976 shall be continued for the duration of its initial approval, unless disapproved by the task force.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978.

**Compiler's note:** Act 420 of 1976, referred to in this section, was repealed by Act 368 of 1978.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17084 Register of programs; contents; public inspection.**

Sec. 17084. The department shall keep a register of programs meeting the criteria established by the task force. The register of programs shall include the full title of the program, the institution of which it is a part, and its address. A copy of the register or the information contained in the register shall be available for public inspection.

**History:** 1978, Act 368, Eff. Sept. 30, 1978.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17086-333.17088 Repealed. 1993, Act 79, Eff. Apr. 1, 1994.**



**Compiler's note:** The repealed sections pertained to procedures for maintaining disciplinary action; denying, suspending, limiting, or revoking a license or renewal; examinations; hearings; and application for reinstatement.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17091 Rules.**

Sec. 17091. (1) The department, in consultation with the board, shall promulgate rules that specify the minimum standards for licensure, temporary licensure, and license renewal of genetic counselors.

(2) In addition to any other requirements of this article, the board shall perform other functions and duties as necessary to carry out the regulation of genetic counselors under this part.

**History:** Add. 2018, Act 624, Eff. Mar. 28, 2019.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17092 Genetic counselor; licensure requirements.**

Sec. 17092. To be licensed as a genetic counselor under this part, an individual shall do all of the following:

(a) Submit an application prescribed by the board.

(b) Pay the fee prescribed in section 16338.

(c) Provide satisfactory evidence of having current certification through a nationally recognized certifying agency for genetic counselors or medical geneticists approved by the board.

**History:** Add. 2018, Act 624, Eff. Mar. 28, 2019.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17093 Practice of genetic counseling; license required.**

Sec. 17093. Beginning 1 year after the effective date of the rules promulgated under section 17091, an individual shall not engage in the practice of genetic counseling unless he or she is licensed as a genetic counselor under this part.

**History:** Add. 2018, Act 624, Eff. Mar. 28, 2019.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17094 Genetic counselor; temporary license; interim requirements.**

Sec. 17094. A temporary licensed genetic counselor shall work under the supervision of a qualified supervisor at all times during which the temporary licensed genetic counselor engages in the practice of genetic counseling.

**History:** Add. 2018, Act 624, Eff. Mar. 28, 2019.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17095 Use of titles, words, or initials; applicability of sections 17091 to 17096.**

Sec. 17095. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2), an individual who is not licensed as a genetic counselor under this part shall not use in connection with his or her name or place of business, the title "genetic counselor", "licensed genetic counselor", "gene counselor", "genetic consultant", "genetic associate" or any words, letters, abbreviations, or insignia indicating or implying that an individual holds a license to engage in the practice of genetic counseling under this part.

(2) Sections 17091 to 17096 do not apply to the following individuals:

(a) An individual who is certified by the American Board of Medical Genetics and Genomics as a doctor of philosophy medical geneticist, or holds an equivalent certification as determined by the board.

(b) An individual who is licensed by this state to engage in the practice of a health profession other than the practice of genetic counseling when acting within the scope of the individual's health profession and doing work of a nature consistent with the individual's education and training.

**History:** Add. 2018, Act 624, Eff. Mar. 28, 2019.

**Popular name:** Act 368

### **333.17096 Renewal of license; evidence required.**

Sec. 17096. To obtain a license renewal as a genetic counselor under this part, a licensee shall present satisfactory evidence to the board that in the period since the license was issued or last renewed the licensee has maintained certification through a nationally recognized certifying agency for genetic counselors or medical geneticists approved by the board.

**History:** Add. 2018, Act 624, Eff. Mar. 28, 2019.

**Popular name:** Act 368

**333.17097 Third party reimbursement or mandated worker's compensation benefits.**

Sec. 17097. This part does not require new or additional third party reimbursement or mandated worker's compensation benefits for services rendered by an individual who is licensed as a genetic counselor under this part.

**History:** Add. 2018, Act 624, Eff. Mar. 28, 2019.

**Popular name:** Act 368